



2019 SGM

After AGM, Monday 28 October 2019
Trades Hall Auditorium
377 Sussex Street, Sydney

Meeting Open

State Secretary's Report

- Award Discussion

Notices of Motion

Medical First Responder

Moved: Com. Sciannimanica

Seconded: Com. Wassell

That this meeting notes the Department's continued push to broaden the medical role for firefighters in the following ways but not limited to:

1. Releasing a document titled "Medical Response Capability Statement 2019" which states that it will pursue a Medical First Response model despite the Union not agreeing to the release of this document; and
2. That the Commissioner and then Minister for Emergency Services Troy Grant agreed that they would not pursue medical type capabilities without coming to the union first; and
3. An IRC ruling and agreement that we withdraw our last Medical First Responder (MFR) motion from the agenda of the 2018 AGM specifically point 4 of that ruling "the Union will be notified and consulted before the Government makes any move to introduce an MFR or Early Access Defibrillator (EAD) program in NSW"; and
4. That the Union's position since 2012 on Medical First Response is well known by the Department and yet they have failed to discuss or address that position; and

therefore this meeting resolves the following:

1. If the department pursues an Early Access Defibrillator /Medical First Responder/Medical capability and responds permanent trucks to these incidents without having come to the Union for consultation, all permanent members will be instructed to cease all non life threatening lifts for the Ambulance Service with the option to escalate these bans to other areas of the Medical Response Capability Statement 2019 including but not limited to non life threatening concern for welfare calls; and
2. While the position of the membership on MFR was established in 2012 and again in 2015, the State Committee of Management is to have discussions with the membership about the appropriateness of firefighters performing additional emergency service work and under what circumstances, if any, this work may be done;
3. And that this motion compliments rather than replaces the 2012/2015 position on MFR.

State Committee Recommendation: SUPPORT