

Town of Red Hook
 Disaster Preparedness Committee Minutes
 March 10, 2020

CALL to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 by Hai-Ping Yeh

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Hai-Ping Yeh, Eleanor Troy, John Gomez, Randy Clum, Perry Sheldon, Robert McKeon, Steve Perog

Members Absent: Tom Crisci, Theresa Burke, Darren Forbes, Patrick Hildenbrand, Rich Hibrandt, Dick Franklin, Joel Griffith

Topic	Discussion	Action
<p>Introductions</p> <p>4:35 Corona Virus Update - Robert</p>	<p>Dutchess County – frequent coordinated calls, informational. As of today, no confirmed case in Dutchess County , they are monitoring 6. One resident in Ulster county, was confirmed, to be positive, had contact with the 6 in Dutchess. It is important to emphasize that people call before going to a medical facility.</p> <p>The Governor ordered a quarantine over New Rochelle. NY now leads the nation in confirmed cases. If they reached a certain level of positive results, they stop testing. The goal is to slow down the infection. There are still unknowns regarding the virus, how long it can survive on different surfaces and at what temperatures. Communal spread doesn't seem to happen as well in warmer climates. Italy is a baseline. China is not a good source of data. People could be symptom free for 10-12 days and not develop symptoms until the end of the 14 days.</p> <p>Hope to do a mailing by the end of next week with information about COVID 19 and to encourage people to sign up for alert and 911 signage.</p> <p>Dutchess county has regular calls with Town government, K-12 schools Colleges</p> <p>Area events are being cancelled and postponed. Bard will keep Robert updated, the Bard website also posts current information in regards to the virus. Looking at remote learning if needed. Discussing plans for quarantine if needed. Bard is actively addressing concerns and contingency plans. Focusing on educating students and limiting gatherings. Meeting and communicating daily.</p> <p>UTS facility – will look into it as a facility. Robert and Bard will both follow up with UTS. All Bard study abroad programs have been suspended. Bard has shared travel advisories with all their students. Bard has Spring break 3/19 – 3/29</p>	

<p>5:25 Next Steps for the committee</p>	<p>SED requires that a school closes for 24 hours if a student or staff tests positive. Already using influenza protocol and taking it to another level. If a confirmed case has interacted with someone in the district, they are not mandated to close the school. Only if there is a confirmed case of a student or employee.</p> <p>Red Hook schools District is building a stock pile of cleaning supplies. They are reviewing all international trips and working with EFS regarding their cancellation policies.</p> <p>Spring break is 3/30-4/6.</p> <p>Addressing panic is a priority.</p> <p>Test a zoom meeting for April 9. The Table Top drill will be rescheduled.</p>	
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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10

Respectfully submitted,

Hai-Ping Yeh