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In attendance: Dr. Birrer, Mike Maltaverne, Joe Brummel, Robert Wallingford, Patrick Lonergan, Kevin Larsen, Ken MacInnes, Stephen Pruiett

- Presentation of design proposal for AmbuBus, conversion of standard, 73 passenger school bus to MCI Transport Bus with the capability of transporting 12 non-ambulatory, but non-critical, patients. Working with Belgrade School District, which plans to rotate out three buses sometime this fall/winter. Latest from them is that they likely won't have a bus ready until January 2020. Kevin will visit with First Student with Bozeman School District to see if they might have one available sooner. Waiting for bid for bus painting by Montana State Prison.
- Have been working with proposal and pricing from First Line Technologies ([firstlinetech.com](#)), line item cost was presented to the group. Bus and retrofit kit total (estimated) \$49,935.30, which does NOT include price for painting
- Suggestion to confirm that bus can be acquired through public auction process and that it wouldn't be tied up in a trade-in process
- Suggestion to delete 10 additional stretchers and add an oxygen distribution system
- Discussion of adding capability to transport a couple of "yellow" (as opposed to "green") patients
- Questions about licensure for the vehicle (transporting vs. emergency), Stephen will inquire with the State
- We approached the airport about housing and caring for the AmbuBus. They don't have room inside, but they can fit it into their regular vehicle start/drive/maintain rotation, with shore power, and should be able to provide a driver if it is activated
- Suggestion to delete the wheeled stretcher carriers and add backboards for each of the 12 primary stretchers, and add some tactical litters.
- Suggestion to add several blankets and Tyvek suits in the event that it is used for evac/sheltering instead of patient transport
- Patrick discussed the possibility of adding an aftermarket HVAC system to increase it's rehab capability
- Suggestion to add a wheelchair anchor system, in the event of evacuating, for example, nursing home residents. Could likely be done fairly affordably
- We will take a look at the lighting package, we may be able to meet our needs for less than \$4800
- Kevin will confirm the ramp width and how that relates to a standard cot

Any questions, thoughts, or further ideas, please let us know.

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