

02/16/07

Meeting with Deputy Secretary Michael Balboni

To All:

I'm sorry it took a few days to let everyone know about the meeting. The long and the short of it is that we went to Albany and waited and was unable to meet with Mr. Balboni. Due to the severe storms in the western part of the state, before he was able to meet with us, the Governor sent him to help coordinate the states resources there. We were assured by his staff that as soon as he returns, that he will meet with us. He also was very aware that we were in Albany on Monday and was appreciative of our understanding of his situation. When the new appointment is confirmed, I'll let everyone know.

Also, please remember that **Legislative Day is Monday, APRIL 23. PLEASE SAVE THE DATE AND GET THE WORD OUT.** Our Board meeting is Sunday, April 22. This year The New York State Association of Fire Chiefs will be joining us and we will be coordinating the day with them. We are looking at getting a meeting room in the Legislative Office Building from which we can operate. More details to follow. We will be setting up appointments with key legislators and ask that you set up appointments with your local representatives. As soon as I get more information, I'll pass it along.

March 2-4, I will be attending FASNY's EMS educational Conference in Montour Falls. During the weekend, I'll be meeting with their EMS representatives to discuss issues of mutual concern.

Stay warm and be safe!

Mike