



Minutes

MEETING TYPE	Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services: Board of Directors		
DATE	December 7th, 2023	TIME	1:30 PM (Eastern Time)
LOCATION	Hybrid	ROOM	547 CE/Zoom

Members

P	John Holder-Chair	P	Harry Clark	P	Donovan Blackburn	
P	David Webb	P	Tim Webster	P	Brandon Edmiston	
P	Ronald Crafton	P	Ben Neal			
P	Keith Smith-Vice Chair	P	Chris Lokits			
P	JoEllen Reed	P	David Lovely @ 1347			13 Total: 7= Quorum

#	Item	Discussion/Issue	Action/Responsible Party
1	Call to Order	Officially call meeting to order	Meeting called to order by Vice Chair Smith at 1331 EST. Chairman Holder took over after Item 9.
2	Roll Call	Roll call and ensure quorum	Quorum was established with twelve (12) present with audio and visual capabilities.
3	Public Comment		Ashlea Christianson-There is a bill being introduced this session to allocate EMS in communities funding to provide CPR education in public schools. This is \$250,000/year.
4	Approval of Minutes	Review for Approval: 1) October 9 th , 2023-Special Called 2) November 1 st , 2023-Board Retreat	Motion to approve the October minutes by Tim Webster and seconded by Chris Lokits. Motion carries. Motion to approve the November minutes by David Webb and seconded by Tim Webster. Motion carries.
5	Financial Report	Financial Report Review	Motion to approve the financial report by Chris Lokits and seconded by Harry Clark. Motion carries.
6	Medical Oversight Committee	Committee met on November 8th, 2023. Multiple projects ongoing. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IFT Resource Form 	IFT Order Sheet was created as a resource for services. The thought is that we would put this out for 6 months as a trial and see its usefulness in the community. Our ask that we adopt this as a resource tool for

			<p>further use and if any action in the future is needed then Medical Oversight would address it and send it to the Board. Motion to adopt the resource document as presented with the one changed by Chris Lokits and seconded by Tim Webster. Discussion: Does not address the intent of the original workgroup. Motion carries.</p> <p>John Wood-There's a SOP document attached to the APP regulation and John Holder's intent is to remove the veterinary care line from it via agency amendment.</p>
7	Data Collection Committee	Committee last met on November 15th, 2023. Data Committee report.	<p>NEMESIS 3.5 update as of Oct. 9th-no state or territory was at 100% v3.5 collection. There are about 22 states that haven't collected anything. NEMESIS still has a sunset date officially as 12/31/2023 but unofficially 1/31/2024 but even still they might not make that and extend it. In Kentucky, there's about 6 agencies that have been enabled v3.5 to test the system out. As of today, there's one ePCR in progress.</p> <p>540 is on pause due to language on NEMESIS versions and timeliness of submission. The timeliness column is not accurate as it was taking the most recent time it was opened. We will readdress 7:540 when 3.5 comes out and we can address the timeliness of submission data.</p>
8	Education Committee	Committee met on November 7th, 2023. Multiple projects ongoing.	<p>No action was taken last meeting. We did have Frankie Jenkins from KYSTATS come and present how they use their data. We have a few people working on finalizing the list of data we'd like to see and then we will bring it back to the Board.</p>
9	Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC)	Committee met on October 18 th , 2023. Multiple projects ongoing.	<p>No action to take. EMSC would like to invite anyone to a multiagency meeting December 15th 9-3 on improving disaster plans for children's hospitals in Frankfort at HPP</p>

			<p>Warehouse. Reach out and we will get you set up to join. The two Workgroups have been formed and have met. One has really made progress. EMS Pediatric Coordinator workgroup is starting to dig into a variety of things. This workgroup is going to help the EMSC Committee determine criteria or recommendations for pediatric quality improvement analysis review done at the agency level. They're also digging into the data and metrics as well as what elements are included or not included. Next EMSC meeting is December 20th.</p>
<p>10</p>	<p>State Medical Advisor Updates</p>	<p>1) The following EMS agencies have requested Medical Director Changes and have been approved by the State Medical Director and Director as of 12/6/2023:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deaconess EMS, LLC #1646-Dr. Matthew Gilbert • First Care Ohio, LLC #1684-Dr. Jill Eippert • Flaherty VFD TEI #262-Dr. Aaron Kuzel • FlightbridgeED TEI #374-Dr. Michael Lauria • Franklin-Simpson Co. Ambulance Service #1336-Dr. Clifford Freeman • Greenup County Ambulance Authority #1709R-Dr. John Mayo • Hancock Co. Emergency Ambulance Service #1041-Dr. Matthew Nelson • Marion County EMS TEI #200-Dr. Eric Guerrant • Mercer County EMS #1708-Dr. Jeremiah Phelps • Nelson County EMS #1363-Dr. Clifford Freeman • Spencer Co. Ambulance Service #1353-Dr. Aaron Kuzel • Washington Co. Ambulance Service #1365-Dr. Clifford Freeman <p>2) The following EMS agencies have requested protocol revisions and/or adoption of the state protocols and have been preliminarily approved by the State Medical Advisor as of 12/6/2023:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adair County Ambulance Service #1466 • Allen County Ambulance Service #1414 • American Medical Response - Northern Kentucky #1527 • Anderson County EMS #1253 	<p>1) Motion to ratify Medical Director submissions as approved by the State Medical Advisor by JoEllen Reed and seconded by Tim Webster. Motion carries.</p> <p>A cleaner version of the protocols will hopefully be presented to the Feb. version.</p> <p>2) Motion to ratify Medical Protocol submissions as approved by the State Medical Advisor by Keith Smith and seconded by David Webb. Discussion: Differences in SWOKY protocol versions lined out. Maysville Mason Co.-clarification on protocols- It meets the boxes that we request with RSI submission. However, it's worth noting that it's possible that someone can do RSI on someone without ever having done it on a person supervised prior. Roll call vote, see results below. Motion carries.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barren-Metcalf EMS #1281 • Bath County EMS #1553 • Butler County Ambulance Service #1278 • Campbellsville-Taylor County EMS #1468 • Carlisle County Ambulance Service #1005 • Carroll County Emergency Medical Services #1132 • Casey County Ambulance Service #1327 • Century Aluminum Ambulance Service #4002 • Deaconess EMS, LLC #1646 • Dow Corning Corporation #4013 • Edmonson Co. Ambulance Service #1519 • Elliott County Ambulance Service #1178 • Estill County EMS #1388 • Fern Creek Fire & EMS #1695 • Fleming County EMS #1147 • Fort Thomas Fire Department Ambulance Service #1126 • Gallatin County EMS #1133 • Grayson County EMS #1081 • Green County Ambulance Service #1467 • Greenup County Ambulance Authority #1709R • Hancock County Emergency Ambulance Service #1041 • Hardin County EMS #1082, 2017 • Hart County Ambulance Service #1423 • Hebron Fire Protection District Ambulance Service #1476 • Hopkinsville/Christian County Emergency Ambulance #1019 • Independence Fire District Ambulance Service #1475 • Jackson County Ambulance Service #1407 • Knott county Ambulance Service DBA Perry County Ambulance #1376 • Larue County EMS #1361 • Lifeguard Emergency Medical Services #1188, 1303, 1429, 1611, 3010 • Louisville Gas & Electric T.C. Emergency Response #4018 • Marshall Co. Ambulance Service #1300 • Maysville-Mason County Ambulance Service #1506 • McCreary Co. Ambulance Service #1312 • Meade County EMS #1091 • Med-Trans dba Highlands Emergency Air Rescue and Transport (H.E.A.R.T.) #7017 • Mercy Regional EMS #1011, 3017, 6003 	John Holder--	Yes	Tim Webster--	Yes
		David Webb--	Yes	Ben Neal--	Abstain
		Dr. Crafton--	Yes	Chris Lokits--	Abstain
		Keith Smith--	Yes	David Lovely-	Yes
		JoEllen Reed--	Yes	Donovan Blackburn—	Abstain
		Harry Clark--	Yes	Brandon Edmiston--	Yes

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morehead-Rowan Co. EMS #1169 • Nelson County EMS #1363 • Neon Volunteer Fire Department #1655 • Owen County EMS #1141 • Paris-Bourbon County EMS #1417 • Perry County Ambulance Authority, Inc. #1416 • Pikeville Medical Center Transport #1704 • Pleasure Ridge Park Fire District TEI #338 • Rockcastle Co. Ambulance Service #1298 • Southern Campbell Fire District Ambulance Service #1387 • Spencer County Ambulance Service #1353 • St. Matthews Fire Protection District #1685 • Stanford EMS and Rescue dba Lincoln County EMS, Inc. #1267 • Trimble County EMS • Verona Fire/EMS Fire Protection District #1442 • Washington County Ambulance Service #1365 • Wayne County EMS #1648 • Woodford County Ambulance Service #1275 	
<p>11</p>	<p>Executive Committee</p>	<p>Committee last met on November 16th, 2023. Multiple projects ongoing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Notification of Staffing 	<p>Discussion on Class VIII licensure happened, and it was recommended to the committee to abolish the level. The Committee decided to utilize education instead of abolishing.</p> <p>The Committee discussed that there should be some type of community notification if your agency is a Class I and dropping below ALS. The recommendation from the Committee is for the Board to put into regulation that the services should notify their communities if they cannot meet the ALS requirement for a certain number of hours within a certain day period. Sent back to Executive for more hashing out.</p> <p>Director Slone: It's recommended to the Board that the Fee Schedule that is currently being pushed through the Legislative process needs to lower the verification number to \$25. This came from comparing it to other states. Chairman Holder could do an agency amendment requesting that</p>

			change. Motion to do an agency amendment to 202 KAR 7:030 to change the Verification Fee from \$100 to \$25 by Ben Neal and seconded by Chris Lokits. Motion carries.
12	EMS TAC		Committee has met and the new PCS form has been approved and will go into effect 1/1/2024. It is up to MCOs to notify the appropriate people of the changes. The only difference is it has a KY MCO Medicaid number slot. This form must be submitted with the initial claim instead of how it's submitted with Medicare. Agencies need to relay this to their billing companies. An Informational document will be given to Director Slone to blast out.
13	Workforce Development		Nothing to deliver now but hopefully next meeting, we'll have more. This morning, we were running down some initiatives lined out for that.
14	Evaluations for Executive Director, Medical Director, and Legal Counsel		<p>Motion to adopt the Personnel Committee's recommendation to retain the positions by Keith Smith. Seconded by Tim Webster. Discussion: Was feedback given? The comments and summation sheet has been put together and it will be given after the meeting. Motion carries.</p> <p>Mr. Slone is up for an optional 5% increase to come off Probationary. Motion to give the increase by Chris Lokits and seconded by Ben Neal. Motion carries.</p>
15	Executive Director Updates		<p>We're at about 55% of eligible renewals done. We've already started discussing renewals for 2025 and having them ready to launch. TEI renewals will open December 15th.</p> <p>To help expedite renewal as much as possible, make sure your personal information is up to date and make sure you check your email in case something needs to</p>

			<p>be addressed.</p> <p>Mr. Briscoe-In November, the Cabinet published new KARs regarding the treat/no transport for Medicaid reimbursement funds. Its open for comment until January 14th or 15th.</p>
16	Information/Announcements	Next meeting date: February 8 th , 2024	<p>Welcome to David Lovely from the OIG's Office.</p> <p>Keith Smith-Captain Lee Paris from Oldham County is retiring.</p> <p>David Webb-Yesterday we lost Steve Burns, they're currently working on funeral arrangement.</p> <p>Chris Lokits-KRA Save The Date information has been released for 2024. Contact Scott Helle for info or look at our Facebook.</p>
17	Adjournment		<p>Motion to adjourn by Tim Webster and seconded by Chris Lokits. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 1506.</p>

Comments:

- Swearing in of new member David Lovely occurred between Item 6 and 7.
- Command passed to Chairman Holder between Item 9 and 10.