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MEETING TYPE	Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services - Board of Directors, Special Called Meeting		
DATE	July 11, 2024	TIME	1:30 PM EST
LOCATION	In-Person/Zoom	ROOM	200 Mero Street/MUB547CE

Members						
P	John Holder - Chair	P	Harry Clark	P	Brandon Edmiston	P Ex-Officio – Walt Lubbers
P	Keith Smith - Vice Chair	P	Tim Webster			P Ex-Officio – Eddie Slone
P	Ronald Crafton	P	Ben Neal			
	Donovan Blackburn	P	Chris Lokits			
P	David Webb	P	Tricia Steward			11 Total: 6= Quorum
#	Item	Discussion / Issue			Action / Responsible Party	
1	Call to Order	Officially call meeting to order			Meeting called to order by Board Chair Mr. Holder at 13:30 EST.	
2	Roll Call	Roll call and ensure quorum			Quorum was established with ten (10) present.	
3	Staffing Regulation	560 Regulation Drafts			<p>Executive Director Slone presented 560 regs and opened it up for discussion. Judge Clark survey the County Judge Executives and received 40 responses.</p> <p>Chris Lokits shared the 50% mark is a tall order to meet and noted there are discrepancies in the draft. John Wood said the number should have been 25%; the body of the regulation is what is accurate and that is being fixed. Mr. Lokits feels like one paramedic on duty is important and the data shows the county judges seem to think so too. Emergency document: have an issue with real emergency and those that are not.</p> <p>Chair Holder – not loving any of it right now. Not sure how we are going to measure all of</p>	

these needs and suffice everywhere. What do the individual communities need?
Ben Neal – how do we define ALS right now? Anything higher than EMT; we should pivot towards less intrusive towards communities.

Dr. Crafton – Research that 7-8% of calls that require a paramedic to intervene in life saving manner. Every county should develop ALS if they can. Knowing each county has different funding though. ALS I, ALSII, ALSIII. Supports paramedics being on board in counties as his position and a citizen.

David Webb – the objective initially was to help KBEMS staff. How can we adjust this amendment?

Everyone agrees we need one paramedic on duty. What do we do in between? EMT Advanced is the most working group, highest percentage. EMT is probably the lower than paramedic.

John Wood – suggest putting dates in the regulation (ordinary). Right now, it doesn't look like this is temporary.

Discussion around license in abeyance – per Tricia Steward. She will follow-up with Office of Legal Services (OLS).

Ben Neal: Make a motion that we file the original amendment version as emergency regulation to reflect that class one agency ensure one advanced EMT or paramedic on duty at all times until Jan 1, 2027. After Jan 1, 2027, each class one shall ensure one paramedic on duty at all times. Seconded by David Webb. 9 Yes, 1 No, Motion Carries.

			<p>Ms. Steward will report back on abeyance issue to Eddie Slone.</p> <p>John Wood will work on the draft and report back.</p>
4	Workforce Development Committee Update		<p>Chief Ferguson they are meeting regularly. On July 24th they will make a presentation and meet and hope to get funding for healthcare especially for rural areas. Trying to get the video off the ground. Initiatives now. Later presenting the playbook on what type funding we need on a global spectrum. So, first a central website that is more user friendly and where opportunities for training and education opportunities are, etc. Hoping to secure funding in the future. Trying to be creative for our short-term projects so we can get those moving.</p> <p>Keith Smith – do we have a state fair presence? Jacob Carroll is on the Workforce Committee and working on that. \$1100. Trying to partner with Fire to see if we can utilize some of their space. David Webb has another contact if needed.</p> <p>Ben Neal thinks KBEMS should stand alone. Harry Clark willing to pay one of his paramedics to help on the recruiting side.</p> <p>Chief Ferguson – KBEMS is short staffed and will definitely need people to help get it covered.</p> <p>Wayne Briscoe – PR/Marketing materials will need to be worked on in advance and set to us for printing a few weeks prior.</p> <p>Dr. Crafton inquired about high school/recruiting fairs. Liz discussed that as part of their plans.</p> <p>Chief Ferguson provided an update that the retention “bucket” had three workgroup</p>

			<p>members addressing those issues (question brought up by Ben Neal).</p> <p>Motion to approve the ordinary amendment that identical to 202 KAR560 made by Keith Smith and seconded by Tim Webster. 9 yes 1 no. Motion Carries.</p>
5	Adjournment		Meeting adjourned at 15:00 PM EST.