



Minutes

MEETING TYPE	Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services - Board of Directors Meeting		
DATE	June 11, 2026	TIME	1:30 PM ET
LOCATION	In-Person	ROOM	Room MUB547CE

Members							
P	John Holder - Chair	P	Harry Clark	P	Kevin Cotton	P	Ex Officio: Dr. Walt Lubbers
P	Keith Smith - Vice Chair	P	Tim Webster	P	Beth Spurlin	P	Ex Officio: Eddie Slone
P	Ronald Crafton	P	Ben Neal				
A	Donovan Blackburn	P	Chris Lokits				
P	David Webb	A	Tricia Steward				12 Total: 7= Quorum
#	Item	Discussion / Issue			Action / Responsible Party		
1.	Call to Order	Officially call meeting to order			Chair Holder called the meeting to order at 1:30PM.		
2.	Roll Call	Roll call and ensure quorum			Quorum established with ten members present. Two members were absent.		
3.	Public Comment	Limited to two minutes per speaker.			No public comments.		
4.	Approval of Minutes	Review for Approval: April 9, 2026			Motion to approve the minutes as presented made by Kevin Cotton and seconded by Judge Clark. Motion passes. Minutes are approved.		
5.	Financial Report	Update			Executive Director Slone provided the financial report update. Motion to approve the financial report made by Tim Webster and seconded by David Webb. Motion passes. Financial report has been approved.		

6.	Medical Oversight Committee	Update	Mr. Lokits provided the update. No action items for the Board.
7.	Data Collection Committee	Update	Doug Taylor provided an update. No action items for the Board.
8.	Education Committee	Update	Mr. Duke provided an update. No action items for the Board.
9.	Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC)	Update	Executive Director Slone – no action items. 98% coverage for pediatric readiness in KY noted by Mr. Lokits.

10.	State Medical Advisor Updates	1) The following EMS agencies have requested Medical Director Changes and have been approved by the State Medical Advisor and the Board Staff as of June 2, 2026: • Dr. Ashley Panas, Vanderbilt LifeFlight, #3021 • Dr. Daniel Sheilds, Carroll County Emergency Medical Services, #1132 • Dr. Jonathan Thomas, Trigg County Hospital Ambulance Service, TEI#314 • Dr. Kerry Gusler, Nelson County Emergency Medical Services, #1363 • Dr. Kerry Gusler, Washington County Ambulance Service, #1365 • Dr. Paul Spellman, Edgewood Fire and EMS, TEI#233 • Dr. Walt Lubbers, Franklin County CTC, TEI#413 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 and Board Staff as of June 2, 2026: • City of Pikeville Ambulance Service, #1614 • Deaconess Emergency Medical Services, LLC #1043 • Deaconess Emergency Medical Services, LLC #1342 • Deaconess Emergency Medical Services, LLC #1646 • Elsmere Fire Protection District, #1433 • Fern Creek Fire and Emergency Medical Services, #1695 • Greenup County Ambulance Authority, #1709 • Jessamine County Ambulance Service, #1449 • Lifeguard Emergency Medical Services, #1188 • Lifeguard Emergency Medical Services, #1303 • Lifeguard Emergency Medical Services, #1429 • Lifeguard Emergency Medical Services, #1611 • Lifeguard Emergency Medical Services, #3010 • Louisville-Jefferson County Metro Government, #1650	Medical Directors and Protocols will be ratified by consent. Board Members may request specific Protocols or Medical Directors to be removed from consent discussion. State Medical Advisor – Dr. Lubbers 1) Motion: Ratify Medical Director and Protocol submissions as approved by the State Medical Advisor. Motion to approve the Medical Directors made by Mr. Lokits and seconded by Mr. Cotton. Motion to approve protocol revisions made by Mr. Webster and seconded by Mr. Webb. Motion passes. Mr. Lokits abstained from the vote.
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11.	Medical Director Overview	Review and Approval	Deputy Director Briscoe presented information. Motion to approve the Medical Director Overview Documents made by Mr. Lokits and seconded by Mr. Cotton. Motion passes.
12.	Executive Committee	Update	Mr. Smith provided an update including discussion of the special-called meeting regarding bylaws amendments.
13.	Bylaws Amendments	Review and Approval	Mr. Smith presented the changes to the Bylaws. John Wood - This meeting is approval of the first reading and then final approval for second reading/approval will take place at the next Board meeting which is scheduled for August 13, 2026. Motion to approve the first reading made by Mr. Webster and seconded by Judge Clark. Motion carries.
14.	202.7.510 Air Medical Transport	Review and Approval	Deputy Director Briscoe provided the update. Motion to approve made by Mr. Webb and seconded by Mr. Webster. Roll Call Vote Yes Cotton Crafton Lokits Spurlin

			Clark Webb Webster Neal Smith Holder Motion passes.
15.	EMS TAC	Update	Mr. Smith provided an update.
16.	Workforce Development	Update	Mr. Ferguson provided an update. Podcast for National Registry 359 registered for information system about paramedic program. 101 applications received. Interest is there but they need education. Retention – Workshop meeting 6/18 in the KBEMS Office. Leadership pathway to engage people; continuing education for directors of agencies. Entry to Executive Leadership.
17.	Conference Sponsorship	- EMS Conference & Expo 2026 - EMS LINKS 2026	Executive Director Slone presented information and requested sponsorship on two items: LINKS – \$2500 sponsorship. EMS Conference –\$5000 sponsorship. Motion to approve was made by Mr. Neal and seconded by Mr. Webster. Motion carries.
18.	Executive Director Updates	Updates	Executive Director Slone Providing information for Rural Health. Keep looking for opportunities to participate. Put in for the funding and then see how it goes. Point of Clarification: Background Checks. Viewpoint questions. Board needs something not touched by the individual. You can link

			your account with the board. Bob Andrew can send that information to everyone. Mr. Lokits noted: Viewpoint only pulling the county where the charges are, not statewide or out of state. AOC pulls and shares more information. Executive Director Slone will follow up on 6/12 with Mr. Lokits for the specific information.
19.	Information/Announcements	Next meeting: August 13, 2026	Chair Holder - End of term appointments for some of the board of directors' members. Chair Holder thanked members for the work they have done in the past few years. Next Meeting will be in August. July we should have board appointments, but we should continue to serve until we know different.
20.	Adjournment		Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Cotton and seconded by Dr. Crafton. Meeting adjourned at 3:00PM.