



Minutes

MEETING TYPE	Kentucky Board of Emergency Medical Services – Executive Committee Meeting		
DATE	March 12, 2026	TIME	1:30 PM EST
LOCATION	Virtual/In-Person	ROOM	Teams Meeting Platform/MUB547C

Members

P	Keith Smith, Chair	P	Ashley Powell			P	Ex Officio: Eddie Slone, Executive Director
P	David Webb, Vice Chair	P	Rob Rothenburger				
P	Harry Clark	P	Kevin Cotton@133PM				
P	Steve Eubank						7 Total: 4=Quorum

#	Item	Discussion/Issue	Action/Responsible Party
1	Call to Order	Officially call meeting to order	Chair Keith Smith called the meeting to order at 1:30PM
2	Roll Call	Check roll and ensure quorum	Seven members present with audio and visual capabilities. Quorum established.
3	Public Comment		No public comment
4	Approval of Minutes	Review for Approval <ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 15, 2026 	Motion to approve the minutes made by Rob Rothenburger and seconded by Judge Clark. Motion passes. Minutes approved.
5	Financial Report		Executive Director Slone presented the financial report. Motion to approve the report made by Kevin Cotton and seconded by David Webb. Motion passes. Financial report approved.

6	Legislative Updates	Updates	<p>Deputy Executive Director Briscoe provided a general update, awaiting the final budget approval.</p> <p>HB459 – Data Collection on occupational licensing. Statistical data on renewals. Working internally on the process.</p> <p>HB2 – Medicaid overhaul</p> <p>HB236 – removed EMS education from being dual license and repeals KRS311A.120 – the three-state mandated course required for licensure.</p>
7	Ground Vehicle Standards	Update	<p>Rob Rothenburger provided the update. 550 excludes drip rail that goes around top of the ambulance. Still required overdoors just not the perimeter on the top.</p> <p>Will approve three and allow flexibility.</p> <p>Page 3, line 18 “loose” rather than lose</p> <p>Motion to move to the full board made by Kevin Cotton and seconded by Judge Clark (motion includes the drip rail information and clerical updates). Motion passes.</p>
8	Rural Health Transformation Update		<p>Deputy Executive Director Briscoe provided an update. Attending kick off meeting on Monday (official sub-group). Beginning to formalize process going forward.</p> <p>Approximately 40 million that could be put towards EMS with sub-groups coming off the initial master group. We should know more next week.</p>
9	202.7.510 AirMedical Transport	Discussion	<p>Deputy Director Briscoe and David Webb</p> <p>Make necessary updates and specifically Air Medical when they can't fly. Mirroring ground agencies, technical corrections and how we manage.</p> <p>Modification in section 14 line 19 – biggest change on line 23. Still finalizing with edits.</p> <p>KBEMS Staff will proceed with getting a clean, revised copy and have it ready for the next meeting.</p>

10	Random Agency Inspections	Update Draft Policy	<p>Executive Director Slone & Deputy Executive Director Briscoe</p> <p>Executive Director Slone – 9 points and line 1 may change a bit due to location/area at the time.</p> <p>Discretion for the inspector to continue inspection on all or just the fleet that haven't been reviewed in the "random inspection".</p> <p>Motion made by David Webb to send the official policy forward to the Board and seconded by Ashley Powell. Motion passes.</p>
11	KY Medicaid APA HP8 Funding	Update	Chair Keith Smith provided a general update.
12	Announcements	Next Meeting Date: May 14, 2026	<p>Chair Keith Smith – ImageTrend ability to provide data.</p> <p>Executive Director Slone – last month we talked about health sharing system; between two facilities. Exchange of data we already have and then exchange between EMS and the hospital.</p> <p>Chose last time not to take action. Since then, discussions with Josh Walters from Image Trend. It's at no cost to the Board; if it's good they'll begin to provide this out to others (like Epic) getting run reports to the hospitals.</p> <p>Board may consider:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2 agencies willing to give us feedback 2. We can cancel in 30 days if we want to and HCA doesn't share or do what they are supposed to; we can end it. <p>Data Committee concerns out of yesterday's meeting.</p> <p>Josh Walters – everyone involved gets the data. No cost.</p>

			<p>They will manage and maintain.</p> <p>Turnaround time – automatically flows back to EMS, waiting on the “human” component rather than the electronic.</p> <p>Motion to move this forward to the Board for consideration made by Kevin Cotton and seconded by Rob Rothenburger. HCA and Image Trend to work together. Motion passes.</p> <p>Non-CON – contracting with third parties. Board should consider agency that is licensed to set the minimum staffing for the day and contract with the local hospital with ambulance that is not part of the agency. Move forward to the next Executive Meeting as an agenda item. May 14, 2026 is the next meeting.</p>
13	Adjournment		<p>Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Rob Rothenburger and seconded by David Webb. Meeting adjourned at 2:42PM.</p>