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**STATE BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL, FIRE, AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES  
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES  
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
MEETING MINUTES  
October 16, 2013**

**Board Meeting Date and Location:** Wednesday, October 16, 2013 at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad Street, Conference Room 134, Columbus, Ohio.

**Board Members Present:** Thomas Allenstein, Kent Appelhans, Rebecca Baute, Karen Beavers, Pamela Bradshaw, James Davis, Geoff Dutton, Vickie Graymire, Deanna Harris, Ernest Hatmaker, Daryl McNutt, Wendy Pomerantz, Mark Resanovich, Julie Rose, Steven Steinberg, Thomas Wappner, and Dudley Wright II

**Board Members Absent:** Gary Cates and Brian Springer

**DPS and EMS Staff Members Present:** Jean Booze, Dr. Carol Cunningham, Tim Erskine, Rhonda Evans, Anna Firestone, Ryan Frick, Thomas Gwinn, Sherry Harkness, Melvin House, Tom Macklin, Julie McQuade, Linda Mirarchi, Sue Morris, Doug Orahoad, Ellen Owens, Carol Palantekin, Robert Ruetenik, John Sands, Schuyler Schmidt, Andy Spencer, Joe Stack, Melissa Vermillion, Diane Walton, Pam Watkins, Connie White, and Rachel Zwayer

**Assistant Attorney General:** Brandon Duck and Summer Moses

**Public Present:** Joseph Stefanco (Parma Fire Department), Joe Toth (Parma Hospital), JD Postage (Violet Twp. FD), Lucrecia Johnson (Ohio Department of Health), and Bill Longworth (Critical Care Transportation).

**OPEN FORUM**

Chairman Daryl McNutt called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Daryl McNutt	Present	Ms. Deanna Harris	Present
Mr. Thomas Allenstein	Present	Mr. Ernest Hatmaker	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Dr. Wendy Pomerantz	Present
Ms. Rebecca Baute	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Ms. Julie Rose	Absent
Ms. Pamela Bradshaw	Present	Dr. Brian Springer	Absent
Mr. Gary Cates	Absent	Dr. Steven Steinberg	Present
Mr. James Davis	Present	Mr. Thomas Wappner	Present
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright	Present
Ms. Vickie Graymire	Absent		

Mr. McNutt noted for the record that a quorum was present to conduct business.

***PUBLIC RECORD***

**Open Forum** – None

**Consent Agenda**

Mr. McNutt requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items that were distributed prior to the meeting, including the August 15 & 16, 2013 EMFTS retreat and meeting minutes.

***ACTION: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items including the EMS certifications, accreditations and CE Sites requests for the period of August 16 through October 10, 2013. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Harris – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.***

**GOLDMAN PROCEEDINGS** - None

**EMS Investigations, Melissa Vermillion**

***ACTION: Motion to adjourn and enter executive session for the purpose of discussing proposed disciplinary action against certificate holders pursuant to O.R.C. Section 121.22(G)(1) and pursuant to 121.22(G)(5) that involve matters required to be kept confidential under O.R.C. Sections 149.43(A)(2) and 4765.102(B) at 10:07 AM. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Dr. Steinburg – Second. None Abstain. None opposed. Motion approved.***

**Roll Call**

Mr. Daryl McNutt	Present	Ms. Deanna Harris	Present
Mr. Thomas Allenstein	Present	Mr. Ernest Hatmaker	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Dr. Wendy Pomerantz	Present
Ms. Rebecca Baute	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Ms. Julie Rose	Absent
Ms. Pamela Bradshaw	Present	Dr. Brian Springer	Absent
Mr. Gary Cates	Absent	Dr. Steven Steinberg	Present
Mr. James Davis	Present	Mr. Thomas Wappner	Present
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright	Present
Ms. Vickie Graymire	Absent		

The Board reconvened from executive session at 10:29 AM.

***ACTION: Motion to close the following cases: Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Harris – Second. Abstain – Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, Ms. Graymire, and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.***

2013-415-E500 *Refer to department	2013-441-E500 *Refer to department & Medical Dir	2013-455-E500
2013-416-E500 *Refer to department	2013-442-E500 *Refer to department & Medical Dir	2013-464-E500 *Refer to department
2013-420-E500 *Refer to department	2013-443-E500 *Refer to department & Medical Dir	2013-494-E500
2013-421-E500		2013-505-E400 *Refer to department & Medical Dir
2013-439-E500 *Refer to department & Medical Dir		2013-517-E500

***ACTION: Motion to accept the following Consent Agreements: Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Harris – Second. Abstain – Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, Ms. Graymire, and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.***

2012-727-E100	2013-244-E100	2013-323-BE100	2013-405-E100	2013-504-E300
2013-20-E300	2013-266-BE100	2013-340-E100	2013-448-E300	
2013-168-BE100	2013-271-BE100	2013-341-BE100	2013-477-E300	
2013-172-E100	2013-317-BE100	2013-378-E100	2013-499-E100	

***ACTION: Motion to close the following cases:*** Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Harris – Second. Abstain – Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, \*Mr. Davis, Ms. Graymire, and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2012-405-BE500 *Davis abstain 2012-417-BE500	2013-286-E400 *Defer to department 2013-303-BE500 *Refer to department	2013-402-E400 *No jurisdiction; Refer to Medical Dir
2012-785-BE100 *No jurisdiction 2013-190-E100	2013-347-E500 *Refer to department 2013-366-E500	2013-433-E500 *No jurisdiction
2013-206-E200 2013-207-E200	2013-400-E300 *Accept withdrawal; reimburse fee	2013-492-E500 *No jurisdiction; Refer to department

***ACTION: Motion to close the following cases, individuals have met the stipulations of their Consent Agreements:*** Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Harris – Second. Abstain – Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, Ms. Graymire, and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2010-2-E100 2010-378-E300	2010-415-BE100 2010-495-E300	2010-515-E300 2011-787-E300	2011-939-E100
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***ACTION: Motion to issue Notices of Opportunity for Hearings for the following cases:*** Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Harris – Second. Abstain – Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, Ms. Graymire, and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2011-1033-E100	2012-935-E100	2013-33-E100
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***ACTION: Motion to close the following cases due to one of the following reasons: inadvertently marked yes to conviction question, misdemeanor convictions which the Board has previously deemed "not involving moral turpitude," continuing education cases which now meet the requirements, local non-patient care issues, and grandfathering issues of certification/conviction.*** First. Ms. Harris – Second. Abstain – Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, Ms. Graymire, and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2011-810-E300 *Rescind NOH 2012-17-E300 *Rescind NOH	2013-465-E100 2013-473-E100	2013-485-BE100 2013-488-BE100	2013-524-E100 2013-525-E100
2012-941-E300 *Rescind NOH 2013-307-E100	2013-474-E100 2013-475-E300	2013-495-BE100 2013-496-E100	2013-527-E100 2013-531-E100
2013-319-BE100 2013-388-BE100	2013-476-E300 2013-478-E100	2013-502-BE100 2013-503-E100	2013-543-E100 2013-545-E300
2013-404-E100 2013-418-BE500	2013-479-E100 2013-480-BE100	2013-508-E100 2013-514-E100	2013-548-E100 2013-549-E100
2013-431-E100 2013-456-E100	2013-483-E100 2013-484-BE100	2013-516-E100 2013-519-E100	2013-550-BE100 2013-551-E300
2013-461-E100			

***~ ACTION ITEM ~*** Concerns were raised during Executive Session and needed to be brought before the Board during Public Session. The concern was that Medical Transportation agencies may retaliate against complainants. The Board agreed to assign the issue to the Case Review Team for further review. The Case Review Team will then bring their recommendations before the Board.

**REPORTS:**

**EMS Board Chair Report, Daryl McNutt**

*Medical Transportation Committee and Critical Care Subcommittee.* The Medical Transportation Committee Chair, Tom Allenstein, Critical Care Subcommittee Chair, Julie Rose, EMFTS Chair, Daryl McNutt, EMS Executive Director Mel House, and EMS staff met on October 4, 2013 to review the Medical Transportation Committee and the Critical Care Subcommittee applications and select potential members. The lists of potential members for each Committee/subcommittee were presented to the Board for review. Further discussion will take place during the committee reports.

## **State EMS Medical Director Report, Dr. Carol Cunningham**

Dr. Cunningham presented an application for Region I from Dr. Edward Otten for new Regional Physician Advisory Board membership appointment for EMFTS Board approval.

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***ACTION: Motion to approve the RPAB appointment of Dr. Edward Otten.*** Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Graymire – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

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Dr. William Tucker, Chair of RPAB Region III will be stepping down at the end of the year due to his work duties. Dr. Cunningham and on behalf of the Division of EMS thanked Dr. Tucker for his services. He has been asked to assist in locating his replacement.

The RPAB All Member meeting is November 14, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. with the RPAB Chair following.

The State of Ohio Adult, Emergency Medical Responder, Pediatric, WMD EMS guidelines have been updated to reflect the change in the Board name, EMS provider's titles, and the expansion of the EMS scope of practice for the administration of epinephrine for anaphylaxis. As well as the Pediatric medication table was updated at the request of the EMS-C committee. The guidelines were forward to the Board via email prior to the meeting for review. The Board is asked to approve the guidelines with said changes.

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***ACTION: Motion to approve the State of Ohio Adult, Emergency Medical Responder, Pediatric, WMD EMS Guidelines document with changes.*** Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

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Dr. Cunningham as asked to review and submit comments on the Ohio ACEP EMS Medical Directors course. Ohio ACEP will review all comments by October 18, 2013. They plan to release the updated course and post on their website soon.

The first American Board of Emergency Medicine EMS subspecialty board exam will be administered at the end of October. Dr. Cunningham and the RPAB would like to have the EMS Rules be revised to reflect the acquisition of the EMS Board Certification as a qualification to serve as a medical director of an Ohio EMS agency.

Dr. Cunningham was invited to present the Ohio Medical Coordination Plan and facilitate a workshop on the Crisis of Standards of Care workshop to the Northern Virginia Hospital Association and senior EMS officials from Washington, D.C on September 30, 2013. The plan although not finalized was very well received. The plan has been a project led by Carol Jacobson (OHA) with input from the EMS Board. Any new members of the EMFTS Board wishing to review the current draft contact Dr. Cunningham.

Dr. Cunningham, Executive Director House, along with several EMS staff attended the NASEMSO annual meeting in Tennessee. Discussions included:

- Mobile Integrated Healthcare (a.k.a., Community Paramedicine)
- Affordable Care Act and its impact on EMS. The reimbursement issue – “value compensation” to replace fee for service.
- Ambulance Safety & Design – driver training requirements, vehicle design/layout.
- NASEMSO was tasked with a project from the Department Homeland Security to create a Model Interstate Compact for Personnel Licensure. Currently some federal EMS personnel may be functioning within states without that particular states required certificates. The goal is to design a compact licensure (similar to a driver license) that is recognized in all states. A project paper is currently being developed and will be released soon with sample legislative language.

- Discussed the need to create a path to facilitate the incorporation and certification of military medics into civilian EMS systems.
- Model EMS clinical Guidelines project grant closes August 2014.
- The 2014 NASEMSO annual meeting will be held in Cleveland, Ohio on October 6 – 14, 2014. In January 2014, Dr. Cunningham and Executive Director House will begin working with Director Born, the Governor’s office, and the Cleveland Mayor’s office to arrange not only their attendance, but perhaps a welcome presentation as well.

**Assistant Attorney General, Brandon Duck & Summer Moses**

There is a pending court action that needs to be brought before the Board for discussion.

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***ACTION: Motion to adjourn and enter executive session for the purpose of discussing a pending court action pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 122.22(G)(3) at 10:45 A.M..*** None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

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**Roll Call**

Mr. Daryl McNutt	Present	Ms. Deanna Harris	Present
Mr. Thomas Allenstein	Present	Mr. Ernest Hatmaker	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Dr. Wendy Pomerantz	Present
Ms. Rebecca Baute	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Ms. Julie Rose	Present
Ms. Pamela Bradshaw	Present	Dr. Brian Springer	Absent
Mr. Gary Cates	Absent	Dr. Steven Steinberg	Present
Mr. James Davis	Present	Mr. Thomas Wappner	Present
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright	Present
Ms. Vickie Graymire	Present		

The Board reconvened from executive session at 10:56 AM.

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***ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case 2012-445-BE100, William Blevins, Certificate Number 12823, the Board moves to accept the proposed consent agreement to consist of a stay of the previously issued Board order revoking his EMS certificate. Subject shall submit documentation of his convictions to the Division no later than 120 days from the effective date of the consent agreement. If no other actionable convictions are indicated, his EMT certificate shall be reinstated.*** Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Harris – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

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**EMS Staff Legal Counsel, Anna Firestone**

Nothing to report.

**EMS Legislative Liaison, Andy Spencer**

Nothing to report.

**Executive Director, Melvin House**

Merger update. The Board will manage the Medical Transportation Committee and Critical Care Subcommittee assignments. Medical Transportation Inspectors meeting are being held quarterly. EMS continuing its outreach with Medical Transportation site visits to ensure our understanding of Medical Transportation issues. The final piece will be the merging of the Administrative Code Rules which is a task that has been assigned to the Medical Transportation Committee.

EMS IT Project. The Division of EMS continues the overhaul of the IT systems. The project was scheduled as an 18 month project and currently three months into the project. However, the project is much bigger than originally anticipated and we apologize for any inconvenience that the overhaul may have caused. Fire Testing is near completion and then moving on to Certifications. The priorities are Fire Testing, Certifications, Education, Investigations, Audits, Medical Transportation, and Grants. The EMS website update has been placed on hold due to the IT project.

Position Paper Review. All position papers are available on the EMS website and have been assigned to a Committee. Each Committee is asked to continually review and forward any changes/updates to ensure the papers are always current. Dr. Cunningham recently reviewed several of the papers and forwarded those papers to all Board members for review and comment. The position papers should be reviewed and updated annually.

#### Office of EMS Vacancies Update

- Program Administrator 3 – Medical Transportation Section Chief. Position description drafted and approved by H.R., preparing to post.
- Administrative Professional 2 – Certifications. Applications received, testing completed, hiring recommendations provided to H.R.
- Investigator – Compliance & Enforcement. Rachel Zwayer started October 6, 2013.
- Administrative Professional 1 - Education. Applicants and interview questions being review. Testing and interviews will occur over the next several weeks.

#### EMS Certification, Extensions & Exemption Requests, Jean Booze

Jean Booze reported, during August 15, 2013 – October 10, 2013, there were 101 EMS extensions, and the staff requests motion and approval.

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**ACTION: Motion to approve EMS extensions.** Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Davis – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

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Jean Booze reported, during August 16, 2013 – October 10, 2013, there were 2,235 new EMS certifications, and 2,089 New Fire certifications. The staff requests motion and approval.

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**ACTION: Motion to approve new certifications.** Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Davis – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

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Jean Booze reported CE exemptions requests for the period of August 16, 2013 – October 10, 2013. There were a total of four exemptions; one EMS only and three Dual certified. Three are due to military deployment and one due to Medical Hardship. The staff requests motion and approval.

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**ACTION: Motion to approve exemptions.** Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Davis – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

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#### Education, Linda Mirarchi

Nothing to report.

#### Medical Transportation – Connie White

Connie White presented the list of Medical Transportation Renewal Applications with expiration dates of August, September and October. Staff is requesting a motion and approval.

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**ACTION: Motion to approve the Medical Transportation Renewal Applications with expiration dates of August, September, and November 2013.** Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Allenstein – Second. Ms. Harris (#180369); Mr. Appelhans (#485115 & #480049); and Mr. Allenstein (#700042) – abstain. None opposed. Motion approved.

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Connie White presented the list of Medical Transportation New Service applications. Staff is requesting a motion and approval.

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***ACTION: Motion to approve the Medical Transportation New Service applications.*** Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Allenstein – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

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Connie White presented the list of Medical Transportation New Satellite location applications. Staff is requesting a motion and approval.

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***ACTION: Motion to approve the Medical Transportation New Satellite location applications.*** Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Allenstein – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

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## **EMFTS BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc Committee, Deanne Harris**

Gary Redd no longer wishes to participate in the Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc Committee, therefore the Committee request that Mr. Redd be removed.

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***ACTION: Motion to remove Gary Redd as a member to the Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc Committee.*** Ms. Harris – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

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Several EMFTS Board Committee applications have been received for Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc Committee. Ms. Harris requests a motion to approve Mike White, Holy Herron, Mary Ahlers, Karen Beavers, and Ernest Hatmaker as members to the Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc Committee Committee.

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***ACTION: Motion to appoint Mike White, Holy Herron, Mary Ahlers, Karen Beavers, and Ernest Hatmaker as members to the Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc Committee.*** Ms. Harris – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None opposed. Ms. Graymire, Ms. Beaver, Mr. Hatmaker – abstain. Motion approved.

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With the addition of the above members as well as anticipated additional members, the number of the Committee will be beyond the fifteen member maximum. Ms. Harris requests a motion to waive the fifteen member maximum to allow for the additional members.

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***ACTION: Motion to waive the maximum membership of fifteen to allow for additional members (OAC 4765-2-03 Committees, subcommittees, and workgroups) for the Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc Committee.*** Ms. Harris – First. Ms. Bradshaw – Second. None opposed. None – abstain. Motion approved.

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The Committee request that the Board send a statement to stakeholders and EMS personnel regarding the status of community paramedicine in Ohio. It should be informational, explaining the status of community paramedicine in Ohio and although the state may be headed in that direction, it is premature to start using such vocabulary as community paramedicine. It is not yet formerly or legally recognized in Ohio. The communication should be sent via the list-serve and posted on the EMS website. Ms. Harris requests a motion for approval.

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***ACTION: Motion for an informational communication to be sent to stakeholders and EMS personnel regarding the status of community paramedicine in Ohio and sent via list serve and posted on the EMS website.*** Ms. Harris – First. Ms. Bradshaw – Second. None opposed. None – abstain. Motion approved.

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~ **ACTION ITEM** ~ The Board discussed who should create and distribute the message regarding Community Paramedicine. The Board agreed that the communication should be created by and come from Executive Director House and Anna Firestone, DPS Legal Counsel.

**ACTION: Motion for the EMFTS Board to immediately seek legislative change to ORC to allow for community paramedicine in Ohio.** Ms. Harris – First. Mr. Davis – Second. None opposed. Dr. Steinberg – abstain. Motion approved.

The Board continued to discuss community paramedicine; what it may look like, and what should be done in Ohio. Community paramedicine was not and is not meant to duplicate services; it is to fill gaps and should not displace current services. It will work with existing services. It is currently being practiced throughout Ohio, it is the Board/Committee's responsibility to create an avenue where communities are able to create a system that meets their needs; i.e., identify their gaps and how to fill them. Language needs to be developed that will clearly define community paramedicine and what is allowed, including educational components, oversight, etc. Statutory change is needed to include community paramedicine, although it is currently being practiced, it is still a violation under the current law.

During the May 2013 EMS Board meeting the Board approved a motion from the Committee working with the Resource Committee to create and release a RFP utilizing Priority Five Funding for community paramedicine research projects. The Committee would like to move forward. All agreed.

While researching community paramedicine it came to the Committee's attention that it is actively being practiced and marketed. It was announced in a recent newsletter. It has since been placed with EMS Investigations for further review. Nothing further was discussed.

The Committee compiled a list of stakeholders to send possible communications regarding community paramedicine.

#### **EMS-Children Committee, Dr. Wendy Pomerantz**

The Emergency Departments: Pediatric Prepared (EDPP) Program has scheduled a visit for Lake Health West Hospital and Lake Health TriPoint Hospital.

The National Pediatric Readiness Project has been completed. Ohio finished 47 out of 50, 55% of Ohio hospitals responded. The survey is designed to determine pediatric readiness in hospital emergency departments throughout the country.

Ohio EMS for Children will conduct its Performance Measure survey of Ohio EMS agencies concerning pediatric medical director and pediatric equipment in December 2013.

Ohio EMS for Children met with the Ohio Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Coalition to discuss issues including family reunification efforts, special needs populations, and statewide planning.

Research and Analysis staff provided the initial data to the EMS-C Committee. They are in the process in creating a pediatric version of the Ohio Trauma Registry Annual Report which should be completed in December.

Ohio EMS-C will provide an education session for the 2014 International Trauma Live Support Emergency Care conference. Dr. Ann Bacevice of UH Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital is coordinating the session.

There is one vacancy on the EMS-C Committee, and the Committee voted yesterday to recommend Karen Beavers.

***PUBLIC RECORD***

**ACTION: Motion to appoint Karen Beavers, as a member to the EMS-Children Committee.** Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Harris – Second. None opposed. Ms. Beavers – abstain. Motion approved.

**EMS System Development, Jim Davis**

The Committee has been tasked with three rather large issues; data collection, health and safety issues (i.e., emergency vehicle operation, safety physical assault on EMS & Firefighters), and Emergency Medical Dispatch. The Committee would like to split these tasks/issues into workgroups utilizing key stakeholders that are subject matter experts in these specific areas. The Board is asked to reach out to their respective areas to locate interested parties to assist with these workgroups. Forward the names of those interested to Jim Davis or Sherry Harkness.

**Homeland Security, Mark Resanovich**

The Committee met October 4, 2013. Working with the Ohio Department of Health to finalize the revisions to the CHEMPACK program addendum with the SFA

There currently are vacancies on the Committee, anyone interested, contact Mr. Resanovich.

Need participants in ESFA desk at the Ohio EOC in the seat for EMS representative. Training will be required and conducted by the State EMA office. There are a few Homeland Security Committee members willing to participate. David Keseg and Jim Davis have both volunteered to participate. We would like to bolster our medical personnel. Anyone interested, please contact Mr. Resanovich.

Next meeting November 1, 2013.

**Education, Pam Bradshaw**

The Committee met on September 18, 2013. Continue to review and update rules 4765-07 4765-12.

While reviewing the OAC 4765-7-07 Renewal of a Certificate of Accreditation; it came to their attention that the National Accreditation pass/fail rate is 70%, while Ohio Accreditation is pass/fail rate is 80%. Currently most Ohio schools are meeting Ohio's requirement. The concern is that there may be some schools that meet the National requirement and receive National Accreditation status, while failing Ohio's requirement and not receiving the Ohio Accreditation status. The Education Committee will conduct a gap analysis between the two accreditations (Ohio vs National). Once the analysis is complete the recommendation will then be brought before the Board for further discussion and final decision.

Continue to review position papers and have referred one paper to Dr. Cunningham for final review. Once complete, all position papers will be brought to the Board for approval.

Next meeting is November 20, 2013

**Medical Oversight Committee (MOC), Geoff Dutton**

The Committee met on October 15, 2013. The Committee reviewed and discussed their position papers. The position papers will be brought before the Board in December for approval.

OSU Medical Center will be seeking and the Committee recommends a waiver to the scope of practice to allow OSU to perform a feasibility study for the use of pre-hospital ultrasound (12 month project). OSU still needs to gather and submit the required information per OAC 4765-6-04 Research Study Impacting Scope of Practice. Once complete the information will be formally presented to the Board, possibly during the December meeting. The information presented during today's Board meeting was for informational purposes only.

Discussed the grant proposals that the Committee will pass along to the Resource Management Committee for consideration:

- Project involving EMS medication errors
- EMS Incident Report data – improve use and collection of the data
- The issues of air medical transportation utilization, i.e., air vs ground. Forward to the Medical transportation Committee then to the Resource Management Committee
- Active shooter training/research programs (best fit in Priority 1 not Priority 5)
- Drug shortage issue. However, waiting for the completion of ODH study and other information before moving forward.

Naloxone Administration (HB 170 - Naloxone Administration-Regulation):  
Committee also discussed the use of naloxone and request a motion modify the scope of practice.

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***ACTION: Motion to modify the scope of practice matrix to allow emergency medical responders and emergency medical technicians to administer intranasal naloxone to a person suspected of suffering from an opioid overdose upon completion of training and with the approval of the medical director.*** Mr. Dutton – First. Mr. Davis – Second. None opposed. None – abstain. Motion approved.

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The Board discussed the above motion and why it was necessary. Legislation is going to pass HB 170 *Naloxone Administration-Regulation* as an emergency bill which will allow the administration of Naloxone by essentially anyone and as written will include first responders/EMRs and Basic EMTs. By changing the scope of practice, which will still require medical director approval and training, EMS personnel (EMRs & Basic EMTs) will be removed from the bill and not added as legislation. Dr. Cunningham will develop the on-line training program. The training will be available on the EMS webpage at no charge.

The Board was not pleased with the pressure and haste in which HB 170 was presented and would like their concerns brought before legislation. Andy Spencer, EMS Legislative Liaison will pass these concerns along.

Another concern is that there has been and may be a shortage of Naloxone. After much discussion the Board motioned to amend HB 170 to include language that will give hospitals, and EMS agencies priority to the available Naloxone resources.

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***ACTION: Motion to request an amendment to Ohio House Bill 170 Naloxone Administration-Regulation, to place priority for available naloxone resources to hospitals, EMS agencies, and emergency care organizations.*** Mr. Davis – First. Ms. Harris – Second. None opposed. None – abstain. Motion approved.

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*Run Report Position Paper.* Staff has noted that there have been a lot of concerns and complaints received from the EMS community in the wait time in receiving reports. However, the Run Report paper does not address time, but it does address the importance of leaving a report. The consensus of the Committee is that the solution is not to back down on report content. The ACEP is currently working on a final draft to address the importance of EMS providing the run reports during the transfer of patient care which may be published by the end of the year. One possible solution is to engage in conversation with the Ohio Hospital Administration to make them aware of the issue. The Board is asked to keep this in mind when reviewing the Run Report position paper.

**Medical Transportation Committee & Critical Care Sub Committee – Daryl McNutt**

The Board was given a list of Medical Transportation Committee member applicants for review; Mr. McNutt recommended and requested a motion to approve those members.

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***ACTION: Motion to approve Karen Beavers, Brian Byrd, Jeremy Cornette, David DeVore, Vincnet Harris, Ernest Hatmaker, Linda Hines, Philip Koster, William Longworth, Lori Mizla, Thomas Reed, Mark Resanovich, Thomas Wappner, Louise Weller, Paul Westlake, Douglas Wolters, Dudley Wright II, and Paul Wright to the Medical Transportation Committee.*** Dr. Steinberg – First. Ms. Bradshaw – Second. None opposed. Ms. Beavers, Mr. Resanovich, Mr. Wappner, and Mr. Wright - abstain. Motion approved.

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Mr. McNutt recommended and requested a motion to waive the maximum committee membership of fifteen to allow for those members.

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***ACTION: Motion to waive the maximum membership of fifteen to allow for those additional members (OAC 4765-2-03 Committees, subcommittees, and workgroups) for the Medical Transportation Committee.*** Ms. Bradshaw – First. Mr. Davis – Second. None opposed. None – abstain. Motion approved.

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The Board was given a list of Critical Care Subcommittee member applicants for review; Mr. McNutt recommended and requested a motion to approve those members.

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***ACTION: Motion to approve Robert Barcus, Brian Byrd, Amy Haughn, Linda Hines, Adam Howard, Michael Jackson, William Longworth, Lori Mizla, Stephaine Steiner, Scott Swickard, Natasha Toliver, Louise Weller, and Keith Wohlever to the Critical Subcommittee.*** Mr. Wright – First. Mr. Resanovich – Second. None opposed. Dr. Steinberg – abstain. Motion approved.

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The first meeting of the Medical Transportation Committee will be November 12, 2013 from 12:00-2:00 p.m. and the Critical Care Subcommittee meeting the same day at 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Geoff Dutton noted that the Medical Transportation Inspectors have had regular meetings and will continue to meet quarterly. During the meetings the Inspectors have reviewed the current Medical Transportation forms and their comments and proposed changes will be forwarded to Medical Transportation Committee and Critical Care Subcommittee for further review.

**Resource Management, Mark Resanovich**

The Committee met December 15, 2013. The committee reviewed grant applications Priorities 2 through 5. Discussed revising the application from multiple to one single application, which will help in streamlining the grant application process.

A request was made to revise the name of EMFTS Research Grant Application to include "Trauma". After discussion the Board agreed that the application name will remain the same. The rules and description of each grant includes Trauma and should suffice. Any changes to the the grant application(s) will be brought before the Board for approval.

The Committee would like to add to the application process for the Research grants Priorities 2, 3 & 4 to be presented to the Trauma Committee for review and possible approval.

The Committee would also like for the applicants to present their projects to the Board during the February retreat if at all possible.

The Committee is seeking requests from the other Committees for potential research projects for priority 5. Request should be forward to Mr. Resanovich or Julie McQuade.

The Committee is researching the current disbursement funds for Priority 1 and possibly making changes to that process.

There are current vacancies on the Committee, Mr. Resanovich recommended and requested a motion to approve Dudley Wright II as a new member.

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***ACTION: Motion to approve Dudley Wright II to the Resource Management Committee.*** Mr. Resanovich – First. Ms. Harris – Second. None opposed. Mr. Wright II – abstain. Motion approved.

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The Committee will bring before the Board the new grant applications for review and approval at the December board meeting.

#### **Time-Critical Diagnosis Ad Hoc Committee, Geoff Dutton**

The Committee met October 15, 2013. A stakeholders group created a Time Critical Diagnosis System concept paper to broadly define what Time Critical Diagnosis and what a system should look like. The group was asked to distribute to their respective organization and solicit comments and hopefully endorsement. No comments have been received; therefore the Committee will follow up with those organizations. The Board is also asked to review with their respective organization and bring their comments to the Committee.

The Committee would like to organize a meeting of stakeholders with outside presenters from other states (i.e., a Time Critical Diagnosis Summit). Hope to have some key leaders involved which will help move things forward. The Committee is looking to another organization to take lead to cover the funding aspect. Will also consider requesting assistance/input from Representative Grossman.

#### **Trauma Committee , Tim Erskine**

The Pre-hospital workgroup has been working with the Ohio Injury Prevention Partnership to create an Elderly Falls Prevention Resource guide for EMS. All the resources throughout the state have been collected. The information has been forwarded to DPS Visual Communications office for layout and design. Once created will be posted to the EMS webpage.

The Rehabilitation workgroup has identified additional inpatient rehab facilities and they are being brought online with the Trauma Rehabilitation Registry.

As of January 1, 2013 any trauma victims admitted will be entered into the new data system which is compliant with the National Data System. Orientation sessions on the new system will be held across the state beginning October 18, 2013. (A handout with dates and locations of the orientations was distributed.)

The People with Functional Needs workgroup is producing EMS Continuing Education videos to assist EMS providers with their interactions with those with functional needs. The Ohio State University using their available grant funding is assisting the Workgroup with the production of said videos. Production is currently underway.

The Committee along with the Resource Management Committee recommends to the Board that grantees present to the Trauma Committee final reports or interim update report in conjunction with their September meeting and failure to present within two years will result in the investigator's ineligibility for future grants for five years.

The Northern Ohio Trauma System received a research grant to conduct a pilot program for all trauma victims to receive a wristband with a unique identifier. That unique identifier followed them through EMS, acute care, and rehabilitation. This allowed for accurate patient record linkage. The Trauma Committee recommends to the Board, based on this banding research project, along with the American College of Surgeons recommendations that a process be identified to track trauma patients across the continuum of care.

**~ ACTION ITEM ~** The Board requests additional information from the Northern Ohio Trauma Systems before making any decisions. The Board request that the Northern Ohio Trauma System present their findings to at a future board meeting, a copy of their final report, along with a feasibility study. The Board request that the item be added to the February Board meeting/retreat agenda.

### **Trauma System, Dr. Steve Steinberg**

Interested parties are currently seeking legislative change for Ohio's trauma system. On October 15, 2013 a group met with aides of key legislators. The group discussed the details of the recommended changes as was presented to the Board during the February retreat. Some of the major decisions still to be made are:

- Where should the Trauma System reside?
  - The Governor's office and Legislator would have liked to develop a nonprofit entity to manage the system that would be outside of the State structure. However, that is no longer the case.
  - The current idea is to stay with the traditional concept of creating a Board inside of a current State entity. The possible agencies are to continue within the DPS Division of EMS or move to the Ohio Department of Health.

Draft legislation is being developed and should be available within the next couple of weeks. The Board is encouraged to offer any suggestions that will be taken into consideration.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

All 2013 action items were cleared up at the EMS Board meeting in June.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- **EMFTS Board Reappointments:** Six seats of the EMFTS Board will expire on November 12, 2013. Due to the seats being appointed in August 2013, EMS sent a request to the Governor's office to have four of the six seats to be reappointed. (*Seat 5, Trauma Program Manager, Vickie Graymire; eat 6, Paid Fire Chief, Dudley Wright II; Seat 11, EMS Provider, Deanna Harris; and Seat 15, EMS Provider, Thomas Wappner.*) Dr. Brian Springer, Seat 1, ER Physician elected not to serve another term. Those recommendations were received from the nominating agencies and have been forwarded to the Governor's office for appointment; and Seat 10, EMS Provider, those nominations have been requested from the nominating organizations, once received will forward to the Governor's office for appointment.
- **Chairman and Vice-Chairman Nominations for 2014.** The Board nominates a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman. The election will be held during the December Board meeting.

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***ACTION: Motion to accept Daryl McNutt nomination as Chairman of the EMFTS Board for 2014.***  
Mr. Resanovich – First. Dr. Steinberg – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved

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***ACTION: Motion to accept Becky Baute nomination as Vice-Chairman of the EMFTS Board for 2014.*** Mr. Allenstein – First. Mr. Davis – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

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***ACTION: Motion to accept Deanna Harris nomination as Vice-Chairman of the EMFTS Board for 2014.*** Mr. Resanovich – First. Dr. Steinberg – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

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All accepted the nominations

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

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**ACTION: Motion to adjourn.** Mr. Resanovich – First. Ms. Bradshaw – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

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The meeting adjourned at 12:23 p.m.

## **NEXT MEETING**

**Wednesday, December 18, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.**

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