



**STATE BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL, FIRE, AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES  
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES  
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

**MEETING MINUTES  
October 18, 2017**

**~FINAL~**

**Board Meeting Date and Location:** Wednesday, October 18, 2017 (10:00 a.m.) at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Conference room 1106, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio.

**Board Members Present:** Kent Appelhans, Karen Beavers, Beth Calcidise, James Davis, Herb de la Porte, Geoff Dutton, Steven Jones, Susan Kearns, Phil Koster, Mark Resanovich, Julie Rose, Dr. Hamilton Schwartz, George B. Snyder, Dr. Thomas Tallman, and Dudley Wright.

**Board Members Absent:** Thomas Allenstein, Deanna Harris, and Mark Resanovich

**DPS and EMS Staff Members Present:** Jean Booze, Beverly Cooper, Dr. Carol Cunningham, Joel Demory, Dave Fiffick, Melvin House, Valerie Koker, Ellen Owens, Kris Patalita, Johanna Pickett, Bryan Reardon, Jack Smith, Joseph Stack, Rob Wagoner and Michael Wise.

**Assistant Attorney General:** Trista M. Turley

**Public Present:** Diane Simon

**EMFTS Board Meeting**

**Welcome and Introduction**

The meeting began at 10:03 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Thomas Allenstein (Chair)	Absent	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Ms. Susan Kearns	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Mr. Philip Koster	Present
Ms. Beth Calcidise	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Absent
Mr. James Davis (arrived 10:14)	Absent	Ms. Julie Rose (arrived 10:11)	Absent
Mr. Herb de la Porte	Present	Dr. Hamilton Schwartz	Present
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. George B. Snyder	Present
Ms. Deanna Harris	Absent	Mr. Dudley Wright II (V.Chair)	Present
Mr. Steven Jones	Present		

## **Open Forum**

Mr. Wright inquired if there were any guests who would like to address the Board. There were no guests present.

## **Consent Agenda**

Mr. Wright requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items that were distributed prior to the meeting including the August 16, 2017 EMFTS Board meeting minutes, certificates of approval, certificates of accreditation, August 2017 90-day extension requests, September 90-day extension requests, August EMS certifications and September EMS certifications.

***ACTION: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items that were distributed prior to the meeting including the August 16, 2017 EMFTS Board meeting minutes, certificates of approval, certificates of accreditation, August 2017 90-day extension requests, September 90-day extension requests, August EMS certifications and September EMS certifications.***

Mr. de la Porte – First. Mr. Appelhans – Second. None opposed. Mr. Snyder – certificates of approval (Bazetta Fire Department, Burghill Vernon Fire Department, Lordstown Fire Department, Warren Township Volunteer Fire Department, and Fairfield Township Fire Department) - abstained. Motion approved.

## **Summary Suspension and Report and Recommendations**

Mr. Wright introduced himself as the Vice Chair of the State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services. The proceedings were called to order at 10:06 a.m. on October 18, 2017 at the Ohio Department of Public Safety.

## **Roll Call**

Mr. Thomas Allenstein (Chair)	Absent	Ms. Susan Kearns	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Mr. Philip Koster	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Absent
Ms. Beth Calcidise	Present	Ms. Julie Rose (arrived 10:11)	Absent
Mr. James Davis (arrived 10:14)	Absent	Dr. Hamilton Schwartz	Present
Mr. Herb de la Porte	Present	Mr. George B. Snyder	Present
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Present
Ms. Deanna Harris	Absent	Mr. Dudley Wright II (V.Chair)	Present
Mr. Steven Jones	Present	.	.

It was noted for the record that a majority of the members of the Board are present. The Board deliberated on one summary suspension and two report and recommendations:

## **Summary Suspension ~ none**

## **Report and Recommendations**

- *EMS Case Number 2017-116-E300, Nicholas B. Miller, EMS Certificate Number 163305*

The Respondents did not file objections to the Report and Recommendations in the aforementioned cases. Mr. Wright recognized Assistant Attorney General Trista Turley for the purpose of providing a brief synopsis of the cases and a recommendation for disciplinary action.

- **In the matter of EMS Case Number 2017-116-E300, Nicholas B. Miller, EMS Certificate Number 163305.** Mr. Miller is certified as an EMT Assistant Instructor. Mr. Miller was certified as an EMT in West Virginia on or about December 19, 2011. He applied for reciprocity and became certified as an Ohio EMT on June 13, 2013. On or about May 27, 2016 he applied for assistant EMT Instructor status and was certified. On or about January 25, 2017 he applied for an upgrade to full instructor status even though it had been approximately 3 ½ years since taking the knowledge examination. Due to the respondent not becoming an assistant instructor until nearly three years after taking knowledge exam, the hearing officer determined that the Respondent did not take the knowledge examination in order to become an assistant instructor; therefore, he did not qualify for the exception to the three-year rule. The recommendation is to deny the application to be an EMS instructor until he takes the knowledge examination as required by OAC 4765-18-21(A)(5).

Mr. Wright inquired as to if Mr. Miller or his attorney were present. None were present.

### **EMS Goldmans**

These proceedings will be held before the Board pursuant to Goldman v. State Medical Board of Ohio where the Respondents did not properly request a hearing in the cases. The individuals named did not have the ability to present written or oral testimony; however, they may be present to hear the proceedings and outcome.

All Board members received the sworn affidavits and accompanying exhibits for the Goldman proceedings from the EMS investigators. The affidavits contained the evidence and testimony upon which was deliberated.

There were six adjudications. The proceedings were in the matters of:

- *EMS Case Number 2015-576-E300, Kelly L. King, EMS Certificate Number 161926*
- *EMS Case Number 2015-661-E300, Summer R. Getzinger, EMS Certificate Number 138585*
- *EMS Case Number 2015-711-E300, Robert P. Hogan, EMS Certificate Number 148943*
- *EMS Case Number 2016-202-E300, Anne F. Leitnick, EMS Certificate Number 3635*
- *EMS Case Number 2016-271-E100, Timothy D. Ciboro, EMS Certificate Number 83419*
- *EMS Case Number 2016-487-BE100, James E. Risner, III, EMS Certificate 162854*

Mr. Wright recognized Assistant Attorney General Trista M. Turley for the purpose of providing a brief synopsis of the case and the recommendation for disciplinary action.

- **EMS Case Number 2015-576-E300, Kelly L. King, EMS Certificate Number 161926.** Ms. King is certified as an emergency medical technician. She was randomly audited for continuing education on or about September 15, 2015. Ms. King responded with an incomplete audit form and has had no recent communication with the Division of EMS. Ms. King failed to document and at the request of the Division of EMS report all approved continuing education hours. She failed to complete all required continuing education hours or pass an examination in lieu of the continuing education hours. The recommendation is to revoke her certification.
- **EMS Case Number 2015-661-E300, Summer R. Getzinger, EMS Certificate Number 138585.** Ms. Getzinger is certified as a paramedic. On or about October 19, 2016, Ms. Getzinger entered into a consent agreement with the EMFTS Board, agreeing to pay a fine of \$250 and submit proof of 86 hours of continuing education by April 19, 2017. She did not submit proof of continuing education hours. Ms. Getzinger violated the terms of the consent agreement. The recommendation is to revoke her certification.

- **EMS Case Number 2015-711-E300, Robert P. Hogan, EMS Certificate Number 148943.** Mr. Hogan is a certified EMT. He entered into a consent agreement with the EMFTS Board on or about April 20, 2016 to submit proof of completion of six hours of continuing education no later than May 20, 2016. He did not submit proof by that date. He was sent a reminder on July 18, 2016 and did not submit the required documentation. Mr. Hogan violated the terms of the consent agreement with the EMFTS Board. The recommendation is to revoke his certification.
- **EMS Case Number 2016-202-E300, Anne F. Leitnick, EMS Certificate Number 3635.** Ms. Leitnick is a certified paramedic. A random audit was sent to her on or about February 17, 2016 regarding her continuing education hours. She failed to document and at the request of the Division of EMS report all approved continuing education. She failed to complete all required continuing education or pass an examination in lieu of continuing education.. The recommendation is to revoke her certification.
- **EMS Case Number 2016-271-E100, Timothy D. Ciboro, EMS Certificate Number 83419.** Mr. Ciboro is certified as an EMT. On or about January 30, 2017, Mr. Ciboro was convicted of rape, kidnapping and endangering children in the Lucas County Court of Common Pleas. Mr. Ciboro was summarily suspended by the EMFTS Board at the April 19, 2017 meeting. Commission of a felony by a certificate holder is a violation of the OAC. The recommendation is to revoke his certification.
- **EMS Case Number 2016-487-BE100, James E. Risner, III, EMS Certificate 162854.** Mr. Risner is a certified EMT. On or about November 17, 2016 the Respondent plead guilty to rape, which is a first-degree felony, in the Clark County Court of Common Pleas. He was sentenced to 15 years to life. Mr. Risner was summarily suspended by the EMFTS Board on February 15, 2017. A felony conviction violates the OAC. The recommendation is to permanently revoke his certification.

Having heard AAG Turley's synopses and recommended disciplinary actions for the cases, Mr. Wright requested a motion to admit the sworn affidavits and the accompanying exhibits in the aforementioned cases into evidence.

***ACTION: Motion to admit the sworn affidavits and accompanying exhibits in the aforementioned case into evidence.*** Mr. de la Porte – First. Dr. Schwartz – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

There being no further evidence to come before the Board, the proceedings closed at 10:17 a.m.

Mr. Wright requested a motion to recess the meeting for the purpose of entering into quasi-judicial deliberations on the following matters pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 119 and that are required to be kept confidential under R.C. 4765.102(B). The Board will reconvene following deliberations.

***ACTION: Motion to adjourn and go into private session for the purpose of quasi- judicial deliberation on these matters pursuant to ORC Chapter 119 and that are required to be kept confidential under R.C. 4765.102(B).*** Ms. Beavers– First. Mr. de la Porte – Second. None abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

### **Roll Call**

Mr. Thomas Allenstein (Chair)	Absent	Ms. Susan Kearns	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Mr. Philip Koster	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Absent
Ms. Beth Calcidise	Present	Ms. Julie Rose	Present
Mr. James Davis	Present	Dr. Hamilton Schwartz	Present
Mr. Herb de la Porte	Present	Mr. George B. Snyder	Present
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Present
Ms. Deanna Harris	Absent	Mr. Dudley Wright II (V.Chair)	Present
Mr. Steven Jones	Present		

### **EMS Report and Recommendations**

**ACTION:** *In the matter of EMS Case Number 2017-116-E300, Nicholas B. Miller, EMS instructor applicant, I move that the Board issue an adjudication order approving the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and the recommendation of the hearing examiner to deny Mr. Miller's application to be an EMS instructor.* Mr. Snyder – First. Dr. Schwartz – Second. None Opposed. Mr. Wright – abstained. Motion approved.

### **EMS Goldmans**

**ACTION:** *In the matter of EMS Case Number 2015-576-E300, Kelly L. King, Certificate Number 161926, I move that the Board issue an adjudication order finding that Ms. King failed to comply with continuing education requirements as indicated in the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing and that Ms. King's certification be revoked.* Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Rose – Second. None opposed. Mr. Wright - abstained. Motion approved.

**ACTION:** *In the matter of EMS Case Number 2015-661-E300, Summer R. Getzinger, Certificate Number 138585, I move that the Board issue an adjudication order finding that Ms. Getzinger failed to comply with continuing education requirements as indicated in the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing and that Ms. Getzinger's certification be revoked.* Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Calcidise – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

**ACTION:** *In the matter of EMS Case Number 2015-711-E300, Robert P. Hogan, Certificate Number 148943, I move that the Board issue an adjudication order finding that Mr. Hogan failed to comply with continuing education requirements as indicated in the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing and that Mr. Hogan's certification be revoked.* Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Jones – Second. None opposed. Mr. Wright - abstained. Motion approved.

**ACTION:** *In the matter of EMS Case Number 2016-202-E300, Anne F. Leitnick, Certificate Number 3635, I move that the Board issue an adjudication order finding that Ms. Leitnick failed to comply with continuing education requirements as indicated in the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing and that Ms. Leitnick's certification be revoked.* Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

***ACTION:*** *In the matter of EMS Case Number 2016-271-E100, Timothy D. Ciboro, Certificate Number 83419, I move that the Board issue an adjudication order finding that there is clear and convincing evidence that Mr. Ciboro’s continued practice as an emergency medical technician presents a danger of immediate and serious harm to the public based on felony convictions, which include three counts of rape, three counts of endangering children, and two counts of kidnapping; and that Mr. Ciboro’s certificate to practice be permanently revoked.*

Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

***ACTION:*** *In the matter of EMS Case Number 2016-487-BE100, James E. Risner III, Certificate Number 162854, I move that the Board issue an adjudication order finding that Mr. Risner has been convicted of Rape, a felony of the first degree, and that Mr. Risner’s certification be permanently revoked.*

Mr. Snyder – First. Dr. Schwartz – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

**EMS Investigations**

***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).*

Mr. de la Porte – First. Dr. Schwartz – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Thomas Allenstein (Chair)	Absent	Ms. Susan Kearns	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Mr. Philip Koster	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Absent
Ms. Beth Calcidise	Present	Ms. Julie Rose	Present
Mr. James Davis	Present	Dr. Hamilton Schwartz	Present
Mr. Herb de la Porte	Present	Mr. George B. Snyder	Present
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Present
Ms. Deanna Harris	Absent	Mr. Dudley Wright II (V.Chair)	Present
Mr. Steven Jones	Present		

***ACTION:*** *Motion to close the following education case and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing.* Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Davis – Second. Dr. Schwartz– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2016-400-E500

***ACTION:*** *Motion to issue cease and desist order for the following Education case(s):* Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. Dr. Schwartz– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2017-461-E300

***ACTION:*** *Motion to approve the action plan and issue an Education Improvement Plan for the following Education Case(s):* Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Dr. Schwartz – Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2017-489-E300

***ACTION: Motion to close the following close the following Medical Transportation case(s) due to lack of jurisdiction, referral to local medical director, deferral to department discipline, certifications have expired, or non-violations of ORC and/or OAC:*** Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Dr. Schwartz – Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2017-29-E400 *Refer to local Medical Director	2017-397-E500 *Warning Letter
2017-357-E500	2017-398-E500 *Warning Letter

***ACTION: Motion to issue Notice of Hearing to deny application for the following Medical Transportation case(s):*** Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Dr. Schwartz - Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2017-407-E500
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***ACTION: Motion to approve proposed Consent Agreement with \$500 fine for the following Medical Transportation case(s):*** Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Calcidise – Second. Dr. Schwartz - Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2017-447-E500
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***ACTION: Motion to accept the following Consent Agreements:*** Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Calcidise – Second. Dr. Schwartz - Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2017-85-E100	2017-331-E100	2017-427-E100
2017-206-BE100	2017-362-E100	2017-441-E300
2017-275-E300	2017-424-E100	2017-453-E100

***ACTION: Motion to close the following cases due to lack of jurisdiction, referral to local medical director, deferral to department discipline, certifications have expired, or non-violations of ORC and/or OAC:*** Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Jones - Second. Dr. Schwartz– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2017-88-E400	2017-139-E400	2017-144-E400
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***ACTION: Motion to close the following case(s). Individuals did not meet the requirements of the Consent Agreement before their respective certificates expired. Re-open if re-applies:*** Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Rose – Second. Dr. Schwartz - Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2012-815-E100
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***ACTION: Motion to close the following cases, individuals have met the stipulations of their Consent Agreements:*** Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Rose – Second. Dr. Schwartz - Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2015-501-BE100	2017-79-E100
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***ACTION: Motion to close the following case(s) and accept the surrendering of the respective certificate(s) to practice or teach. Re-open if re-applies:*** Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Rose – Second. Dr. Schwartz - Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2017-147-E300	2017-315-E300	2017-435-E300	2017-488-E300
2017-236-BE300	2017-430-E300	2017-448-E300	2017-490-E300
2017-244-E300	2017-431-E300	2017-458-E300	2017-491-E300
2017-256-BE100	2017-434-E300	2017-487-E300	2017-492-E300

**ACTION: Motion to close the following case(s). Individuals did not provide required documentation with their application; the applications were rendered incomplete. Re-open if re-applies:** Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Calcidise – Second. Dr. Schwartz - Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2017-353-E100

**ACTION: Motion to issue Notices of Opportunity for Hearings for the following cases:** Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Calcidise – Second. Dr. Schwartz– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2014-128-E300	2014-128-E300	2014-128-E300	2014-128-E300
2015-193-BE100	2015-193-BE100	2015-193-BE100	2015-193-BE100
2015-401-E100	2015-401-E100	2015-401-E100	2015-401-E100
2016-79-BE100	2016-79-BE100	2016-79-BE100	2016-79-BE100
2016-94-BE100	2016-94-BE100	2016-94-BE100	2016-94-BE100
2016-582-E300	2016-582-E300	2016-582-E300	2016-582-E300
2017-23-E100	2017-23-E100	2017-23-E100	2017-23-E100
2017-49-E300	2017-49-E300	2017-49-E300	2017-49-E300
2017-56-E300	2017-56-E300	2017-56-E300	2017-56-E300
2017-82-BE100	2017-82-BE100	2017-82-BE100	2017-82-BE100
	2017-240-E300	2017-240-E300	2017-240-E300

**ACTION: Motion to close following case(s) as surrender for revocation. Individuals requesting to surrender certification in response to Notice of Hearing issued by the 2017 August Board:** Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Calcidise – Second. Dr. Schwartz – Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2016-700-E300

**ACTION: Motion to rescind the Notice of Hearing issued by the Board on August 16, 2017, and approve subject to resume terms of the Consent Agreement; subject fulfilled the disciplinary requirement.** Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Dr. Schwartz– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2013-710-E300

**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, non-patient care issues, and grandfathering issues of certification/conviction:** Mr. Snyder – First. Ms. Kearns – Second. Dr. Schwartz – Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2014-521-E100	2017-224-E300	2017-470-E100
2014-563-E100	2017-284-BE500	2017-474-E100
2014-644-BE100	2017-287-E300	2017-477-E100
2016-222-BE100	2017-298-BE100	2017-478-E100
2016-359-E500	2017-341-BE100	2017-482-BE100
2016-360-E500	2017-371-BE100	2017-483-E100
2016-361-E500	2017-412-BE100	2017-496-E100
2016-484-E100	2017-420-E100	2017-502-E100
2016-599-BE100	2017-459-E100	2017-503-E100
2017-159-E500	2017-462-E100	2017-510-E100
2017-192-BE100	2017-464-E100	2017-524-BE100
2017-213-E500	2017-465-E100	
2017-223-E300	2017-468-E100	



### **EMFTS Board Chair's Report, Tom Allenstein**

Mr. Allenstein was not in attendance; therefore, there was no report.

### **EMS Legislative Liaison, Dan Fitzpatrick**

HB 79: The medical professional firearms training tactical EMS bill passed last week with a vote of 90 to 7. Fire and EMS personnel testified at the hearings that were interested in the tactical EMS. The only opponent testimony was from the Ohio Chiefs of Police who have concerns with the language.

HB 195: Ambulette bill has slowed down in the Senate. Mr. Fitzpatrick stated that he has spoken with Representative Seitz to let them know that there are some concerns. Mr. Wise provided language that would clarify that taxis are not ambulettes and that the Division of EMS have full authority to regulate ambulettes. Opponent testimony will be presented in a few weeks.

HB 69: The levy reimbursement bill passed the House unanimously in June 2017.

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

Dr. Cunningham reported that RPAB membership is still needed in regions 7 and 8. Current RPAB members with expiring terms have been invited to apply for reappointment.

The State of Ohio EMS Guidelines and Procedures Manual was reviewed at the September 6, 2017 meeting regarding the newly added specialty care chapter that includes mobile integrated healthcare, tactical emergency casualty care, and the rescue task force concept.

The second edition of the NASEMSO National Model EMS Clinical Guidelines were submitted to NHTSA on September 8, 2017 and released to the public on September 15, 2017. The RBAB chairs have been asked to complete a second review of their assigned chapter updates for alignment with the second edition of the NASEMSO document. The draft State of Ohio Guidelines and the new NASEMSO guidelines were distributed to the Medical Oversight Committee and the Trauma Committee as well as the EMFTS Board for review and comments. New algorithms will be created based upon the updated content. The RBAB reported that there is a gap between the Ohio EMS scope of practice and the NASEMSO documents with regards to ketamine administration at the advanced EMS level. Ketamine is classified by the FDA as a sedative/hypnotic which is not an analgesic. It can be administered via IV, IM, and IN. A proposal is to add ketamine to the list of approved medications at the advanced EMT level.

The RPAB All-Member and RPAB Chair meetings are scheduled for November 9, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. respectively.

The second edition of the NASEMSO National Model EMS Clinical Guidelines has been shared with the Emergency Medical Services Children's Committee in preparation for the update of the State of Ohio Pediatric EMS Guidelines and Procedures Manual.

The federal guidance on first responder safety will be released soon. The research document on EMS and fatigue will be published in a special supplement of the Prehospital Emergency Care and is anticipated to be available in January 2018. A toolkit for the transport of patients with highly infectious contagious diseases is also being created.

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security created a video simulation training tool that may be useful to those in Ohio during rescue task force training and is now available at no charge.

### **EMS Staff Legal Counsel, Michael Wise**

Mr. Wise reported that the Board inquired about the new law that allows for continuing education credit for certificate holders that provide care to indigent and uninsured patients. The question is what type of medical direction will be required. In his opinion, the medical direction would be the same as other services. The medical director would have to meet the requirements under 4765-3-05 as a qualified medical director.

***ACTION: Motion that the Board approve the filing of Chapter 4765-10 (Complaints) of the Administrative Code with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review.***

Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

***ACTION: Motion that the Board approve the filing of Chapter 4765-14 (Trauma Triage) of the Administrative Code with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review pending receipt of the recommendation from the Common Sense Initiative Office.***

Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

***ACTION: Motion that the Board approve the filing of the Business Impact Analysis for Chapter 4765-7 (Accreditation of Training Programs) of the Administrative Code with the Common Sense Initiative Office. I further move that the Board approve the filing of Chapter 4765-7 with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review pending receipt of the recommendation from the Common Sense Initiative Office.*** Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

***ACTION: Motion that the Board approve the filing of Chapter 4765-19 (Emergency Medical Services Continuing Education) of the Administrative Code with the Common Sense Initiative Office.*** Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

### **Assistant Attorney General, Trista Turley**

Ms. Turley reported that she did not have anything to report at this time.

### **Executive Director and Staff Reports, Melvin House**

Executive Director House reported on the vacant and seats expiring.

State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services (EMFTS):

- Three seats remain vacant or expired:
  - Seat #2, Trauma Surgeon
  - Seat #5, Trauma Program Manager
  - Seat #10, EMS Provider
- Six seats expire November 12, 2017.
  - Seat #3, ER Pediatrician
  - Seat #4, Hospital Administrator
  - Seat #9, EMS Provider
  - Seat #13, EMS Provider
  - Seat #16, Owner/Operator of Private EMS Service
  - Seat #19, Ambulette

As a reminder, the seats that expire on November 12, 2017 will remain active for an additional 60 days or until the seat is filled.

An additional seat (Seat #21) was created during the state budget process. The Ohio EMS Chiefs Association is the nominating organization.

The nominations have been received from the nominating organizations and have been forwarded to the Governor's Office by the Ohio Department of Public Safety's Director's Office.

### EMS Staff

#### Staff vacancies

- Data Administrator, conducting interviews

Mr. Wagoner introduced Abraham Yohannes who accepted the position as the epidemiologist. Kris Patalita was also introduced who has taken on the position as the Deputy Director Administrative Support and the Trauma Committee Secretary.

Executive Director House reported that while at the NASEMSO fall conference, he noted that almost every state in the nation is facing the same data issues that Ohio is facing with respect to the National Reporting System NEMSIS.

NASEMSO will be issuing a highly infectious disease planning document as well as exercises for use by local EMS agencies and county EMA's preparing for transport of highly infectious Ebola patients to treatment facilities whether it is in state or out of state. Other big issues at the national level that are affecting Ohio includes fatigue in EMS and the opioid overdose crisis.

The Ohio C.A.R.E.S. project continues and is on target for an effective date of January 1, 2018. The Ohio State University is a partner and in the process of obtaining a funding source to hire a C.A.R.E.S. coordinator. The entire state will be able to participate in the C.A.R.E.S project without paying the individual subscription fee due to the Division of EMS funding the state subscription fee.

Deputy Director Wagoner reported on the strategic plan. A working group will facilitate this project to identify three to five projects under each pillar. The group will meet on November 6, 2017. The Board will decide the final projects for the strategic plan during the February Board retreat.

Executive Director House stated that the ethics training certificate is due by December 13, 2017 and is required by all Board members. The training can be completed online and the information has been disseminated to all of the Board members.

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

Jean Booze stated that the 90-day extensions and new certifications are now being included in the Consent Agenda. She will still be addressing exemption requests and any extensions that exceed 90 days.

Jean Booze reported that there was one request from a paramedic for a 180-day extension who recently gave birth to a baby and would like to complete the continuing education requirements after she completes her master's degree in December.

**ACTION: Motion to approve a 180-day extension for continuing education.** Mr. Davis – First. Ms. Rose– Second. Discussion ensued. All members opposed. None abstained. Motion failed.

A discussion ensued regarding all of the details related to this request. Ms. Booze reported that the Board can only grant an extension one time. She is requesting a 180-day extension. The EMFTS Board denied the request.

Jean Booze reported that there was one EMS medical exemption 2017-10-2 and all documentation was received for this request. Staff recommends approval and a motion to approve.

***ACTION: Motion to approve the medical CE exemption request for 2017-10-2.*** Mr. Davis – First. Mr. Snyder – Second. Discussion ensued. Mr. Snyder and Mr. de la Porte - opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

**ACTION ITEM:** Ms. Rose requested an annual trend report regarding whether certifications are increasing or decreasing.

### **Education, John Molnar**

Mr. Molnar requested approval for renewal of the following continuing education sites; Ashtabula Township Fire Department and Trumbull Memorial Hospital.

***ACTION: Motion to approve the renewal of Ashtabula Township Fire Department with an expiration date of June 18, 2020 and Trumbull Memorial Hospital with an expiration date of August 20, 2020.*** Mr. Davis – First. Ms. Rose– Second. None opposed. Mr. Snyder (Trumbull Memorial Hospital) - abstained. Motion approved.

Mr. Molnar reported that there are 38 paramedic programs. There are 32 programs that have received full national accreditation; one program is still pending, three are scheduled for site visits and two have letters of review.

Executive Director House reminded the Board members that many of the items have been moved to the Consent Agenda to make the meetings more efficient.

Mr. Wise suggested that Mr. Snyder request approval from the Board members to abstain from continuing education renewals that were included in the Consent Agenda.

***ACTION: Motion to approve Mr. Snyder's request to abstain from certain items in the Consent Agenda.*** Mr. Dutton – First. Mr. Davis– Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

*\*\* Please note Mr. Snyder's abstentions are included in the Consent Agenda motion on page one.*

### **Medical Transportation – Dave Fiffick**

Dave Fiffick presented the list of medical transportation renewal applications with expiration dates of August, September and October 2017. Staff is requesting a motion and approval pending a satisfactory inspection.

***ACTION: Motion to approve the medical transportation renewals with expiration dates of August, September, and October 2017; pending a satisfactory inspection.*** Ms. Beavers – First. Mr. Davis – Second. None opposed. Mr. Koster (Community Ambulance Service and Medicare Ambulance), Mr. Appelhans (Hanco EMS Services and Hanco EMS LLC) and Mr. Snyder (CAS of Warren Inc.) - abstained. Motion approved.

Dave Fiffick presented the list of medical transportation applications for new services; 14 ambulette, 3 ambulances, and 1 air medical. Staff is requesting a motion and approval pending a satisfactory inspection.

***ACTION: Motion to approve the medical transportation new service applications for 14 ambulette, 3 ambulances, and 1 air medical; pending a satisfactory inspection.*** Ms. Beavers – First. Ms. Rose - Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Dave Fiffick presented the list of new medical transportation headquarters (2 ambulettes and 2 ambulances) and new satellite locations (2 ambulance and 2 air medical). Staff is requesting a motion for approval pending a satisfactory inspection.

***ACTION: Motion to approve the medical transportation new headquarters, (2 ambulettes and 2 ambulances) and new satellite locations, (2 ambulance and 2 air medical). Staff is requesting a motion for approval pending a satisfactory inspection.*** Mr. Dutton– First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Mr. Koster (Community EMS, Inc.) - abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

### **Grants, Johanna Pickett**

Ms. Pickett reported that the first grant cycle is at the half-way mark. All priority one and supplemental grant guarantees are required to spend their award dollars by December 31, 2017. There is an extension application for agencies who are seeking funds for training.

Executive Director House and Deputy Director Wagoner presented large grant checks to Southeast Hardin Fire Department, Roseville Fire Department, Corning Volunteer Fire Department and Pickaway Township Fire Department.

Priority 2 through 5 requests for information (RFI) will be released on November 1, 2017 for the research topics and will close on November 30, 2017. Recommendations will be brought before the Board in December.

Executive Director House reported that other funding sources have been identified. The Traffic Records Coordinating Committee (TRCC) has provided \$700,000 to purchase tablets for EMS reporting. The grant period is open and agencies may apply.

### **Board Committee Reports**

#### **Trauma Committee, Diane Simon**

Ms. Simon reported that the Trauma Committee met on September 13, 2017; however, there was not a quorum.

Trauma triage rules were open to public comment. One comment was received from a surgeon regarding mortality rates; therefore, an extension has been received to review this comment further.

On October 5, 2017 a Trauma Quality Summit was held and there was representation from all six regional trauma systems. The discussions primarily concerned performance improvement.

The Ohio Trauma Registry Data Dictionary for 2018 has been completed with the new changes and will be released in January 2018. A workgroup has been created to work on the annual data reports.

### **EMS Children Committee, Dr. Schwartz**

Dr. Schwartz reported that the committee met on October 18, 2017.

The National EMSC Data Analysis and Resource Center (NEDARC) has confirmed that Ohio EMS for Children will conduct a survey of Ohio EMS agencies from November 1, 2017 to January 31, 2018. This survey will feature initial data gathering for new EMSC Performance Measures, including the presence of a pre-hospital pediatric emergency care coordinator and the extent of skills training and competency demonstration for pediatric care. The sample has just been provided this week, and will be shared with EMS for Children Committee members and with the Ohio EMFTS Board.

Ohio EMS for Children held two workshops for EMS agencies on the duties of a pediatric emergency care coordinator this month, with 30 EMTs attending the workshop on October 6th in Cincinnati and 7 EMTs attending October 13 in Athens. The workshops focused on the information in the publication "Resource Document: Coordination of Pediatric Emergency Care in EMS Systems," in Prehospital Emergency Care. Dr. Julie Leonard of the Ohio EMSC Committee is a co-author of this publication. Future dates for workshops are:

- Columbus: October 27<sup>th</sup>
- Akron: November 16<sup>th</sup>
- Youngstown: November 17<sup>th</sup>
- Dayton: December 15<sup>th</sup>
- Cleveland and Toledo: TBD

The Ohio Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Coalition met on September 21<sup>st</sup>. The Coalition is developing guidelines for dealing with unaccompanied minors during a disaster. The Coalition is continuing work on increasing pediatric capacity for emergency care of children and transport needs during a hospital evacuation. A tabletop exercise featuring the evacuation of a NICU is planned for this fall. The next Coalition meeting is December 7<sup>th</sup>.

The Ohio EMS for Children Committee held its fourth Ohio Pediatric Emergency Medicine Fellows Conference at Nationwide Children's Hospital on September 29. Dr. Rachel Stanley and Dr. Julie Leonard offered sessions on pediatric simulation, employment contracts, difficult conversations with family, and the history of the EMSC program to 26 pediatric emergency medicine fellows from across the state.

Dr. Julie Leonard and staff at the Center for Injury Research and Policy at Nationwide Children's Hospital are updating the "EMTs and Injury Prevention Manual", converting it to a series of video modules which will be designed to be available through the ODPS Training Campus. The first module will be on the topic of child abuse, and will be designed to be appropriate for both EMS providers and law enforcement officials. Dr. Leonard is planning a presentation to the Education Committee in December.

### **Homeland Security Sub-committee, Mr. Dutton**

Mr. Dutton reported that the Homeland Security Sub-committee met at the Ohio Emergency Management Agency for the Web EOC training; an online system for managing disasters.

A discussion ensued regarding the CHEMPACK documents. Any motions for approval will be brought before the Board at the December meeting.

**ACTION ITEM:** Mr. Wise will review the documents to inquire if they need to be kept under seal pending legal review and should not be a part of the public minutes.

**Active Shooter Response Committee, Mr. Dutton**

The committee's next meeting will be held on October 19, 2017.

Mr. Dutton reported that the active shooter response power point presentation training module will be finalized at the next meeting.

**EMS Rural Committee, Ms. Beavers**

Ms. Beavers reported that the meeting was cancelled due to not having quorum.

**Education Committee, Mr. Snyder**

The Education Committee met on October 17, 2017; however, there was not a quorum. The committee reviewed the active shooter response awareness training module. Their only recommendation was to ensure that it states in the presentation that completion of this course does not qualify them to be on a rescue task force team. Dr. Cunningham reported that the narration makes it very clear that operational training is required. Executive Director House reported that it is mentioned in the beginning and at the end of the presentation.

***ACTION: Motion to approve the active shooter rescue task force awareness training module be added to the curriculum for all EMR's and EMT's.*** Mr. Davis – First. Mr. Snyder – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Mr. Snyder reported that the committee also reviewed the EMS rules.

The next meeting will be held December 12, 2017.

**Medical Oversight Committee, Geoff Dutton**

Mr. Dutton reported that the committee met on October 17, 2017.

Mr. Dutton expressed his gratitude to Executive Director House, Deputy Director Wagoner, and John Molnar for attending the August and October meeting in giving detailed information regarding the EMS rules.

The committee discussed organizing a statewide EMS medical director conference. The goal is to hold the conference in late fall 2018. Any questions and suggestions are welcomed.

The committee discussed the medical oversight as it relates to EMS providers who work in the hospital settings. The committee has requested that Mr. Wise draft a legal opinion or summary regarding the legal requirements for medical direction as it relates to those EMS providers working in the hospital settings.

**ACTION ITEM:** Mr. Wise draft a legal opinion or summary regarding the legal requirements for medical direction as it relates to those EMS providers who work in the hospital settings.

Mr. Dutton reported issues regarding the Board of Pharmacy rules. If appropriate, it was suggested that a letter be sent to the Board of Pharmacy stating that the Board is in agreement with the rule changes. Mr. de la Porte reported concerns about the rule regarding the 10-day event notification. Executive Director House requested information regarding the rules for a draft letter.

**ACTION ITEM:** Executive Director House to draft a letter to the Board of Pharmacy regarding the rule changes.

Dr. Cunningham reported that the foundation for Ohio's EMS scope of practice is the NASEMSO National Model EMS Clinical Guidelines. She stated that there are many research articles proving safety in the administration of ketamine by EMS personnel. Yet, ketamine is missing from the list of approved medications for AEMT's.

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***ACTION: Motion to add ketamine to the approved drug list for AEMT's.*** Mr. Dutton – First. Mr. Snyder – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

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The Medical Oversight Committee discussed adding CO-oximetry to the scope of practice for EMR's in order to authorize this for all levels of EMS certification.

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***ACTION: Motion to add CO-oximetry to the EMR scope of practice.*** Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

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Mr. Dutton reported that there were discussions regarding the creation of a self-reporting mechanism for EMS certificate holders to get help without jeopardizing their certification. Other medical professions have the ability to self-report mental health and substance abuse, and the committee would like EMS providers to be able to do the same. The EMFTS Board has already approved this issue in the legislative needs that have been provided to the Ohio Department of Public Safety legislative office. It was recommended that associations and organizations who would like to help with moving legislative forward to contact Executive Director House.

The next meeting will be December 12, 2017.

### **Medical Transportation Committee, Kent Appelhans**

Mr. Appelhans reported that the committee met on October 17, 2017 and there was a quorum.

The committee discussed passenger assistance training programs being utilized by different providers. Under the new rules for ambulances they may choose to create their own passenger assistance training program; however, they would need Board approval. The Division of EMS received programs from five companies. One program was returned to the provider because they did not meet the requirements. The providers Don Martens and Sons, American EMS, Queen City Medical Transport, and What's Up Doc-Doctor's Orders need approval.

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***ACTION: Motion to approve the Passenger Assistance Training Programs from Donald Martens and Sons, American EMS, Queen City Medical Transport and What's Up Doc-Doctor's Orders.*** Mr. Appelhans – First. Mr. Davis – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

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The committee received a request from EMS Safety Inc., a service that provides CPR and first aid courses. They have requested to be an alternative to the American Red Cross CPR certification. On their website they state that they are already approved by the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Division of EMS. The committee tabled any decision until the next meeting until more information can be obtained. A suggestion was made that the Education Committee review the courses and ask the committee to make a recommendation.

**ACTION ITEM:** The Education Committee review the approval process and make recommendations to the EMFTS Board.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 12, 2017.

### **Critical Care Subcommittee, Julie Rose**

Ms. Rose reported that the committee met October 17, 2017 and there was a quorum.

The subcommittee is working on their strategic items. The primary item is an endorsement or certification for critical care. NASEMSO is working on this and the subcommittee will wait for their recommendations are and revisit the issue in December.

### **Old Business ~ none**

### **New Business**

Mr. Wright requested nominations for the chair and vice chair for the EMFTS Board in 2018.

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**ACTION: Motion to nominate Thomas Allenstein for the chair position for 2018.** Mr. de la Porte – First. Mr. Davis – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

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**ACTION: Motion to close the nominations for the chair position for 2018.** Mr. Davis – First. Dr. Schwartz– Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

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**ACTION: Motion to nominate Dudley Wright for the vice chair position for 2018.** Mr. Davis – First. Mr. de la Porte – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

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**ACTION: Motion to close the nominations for the vice chair position for 2018.** Mr. Davis – First. Ms. Rose – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

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The meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm. Mr. Davis – First. Mr. de la Porte – Second.

**NEXT MEETING:** EMFTS Board meeting will be held on December 13, 2017 at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad Street, Conference Room 1106, Columbus, Ohio.