



STATE BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL, FIRE, AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
MEETING MINUTES
May 20, 2015
~ FINAL ~

Board Meeting Date and Location: Wednesday, May 20, 2015 (10:00 a.m.) at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad Street, Conference Room 134, Columbus, Ohio.

Board Members Present: Thomas Allenstein, Kent Appelhans, Karen Beavers, Pamela Bradshaw, Geoff Dutton, Deanna Harris, Steven Jones, Daryl McNutt, Mark Resanovich, Julie Rose, Diane Simon, Dr. Steven Steinberg, Thomas Wappner and Dudley Wright II.

Board Members Absent: Rebecca Baute, James Davis, Ernest Hatmaker, Dr. Hamilton Schwartz and Dr. Thomas Tallman.

DPS and EMS Staff Members Present: Jean Booze, Beverly Cooper, Dr. Carol Cunningham, Tim Erskine, Anna Firestone, Dave Fiffick, Sherry Harkness, Natalie Haslage, Melvin House, Valerie Koker, Rick Miller, Ellen Owens, Robert Ruetenik, John Sands, Schuyler Schmidt, Joseph Stack, Diane Walton, and Rachel Zwayer.

Assistant Attorney General: Brandon Duck

Public Present: Jonathan Cabus, Peter Flowers, Sherri Kovach (Nationwide Children's), and Scott Starker.

EMS Rules Hearing ~ None

EMFTS Board Meeting

Welcome and Introduction

The meeting began at 10:08 a.m.

Roll Call

Table with 4 columns: Name, Status, Name, Status. Lists board members and their attendance status.

Open Forum ~ None

Ms. Harris took a moment to recognize fallen firefighter, Daryl Gordon of Cincinnati, who was killed in the line of duty. Ms. Harris stated, "He gave his all" and she requested that everyone keep him and his family in their thoughts.

Consent Agenda

Ms. Harris requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items that were distributed prior to the meeting, including the EMFTS Board retreat minutes of February 18, 2015, EMFTS Board meeting minutes of February 19, 2015, the certifications, and CE site requests for period May 20, 2015 – June 16, 2015.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items including the February 19, 2015 EMFTS Board meeting minutes and the February 18, 2015 EMFTS retreat meeting minutes, the certifications, and CE site requests for period February 18, 2015 - May 19, 2015. Mr. Wright – First. Mr. Wappner – Second. None abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

Report and Recommendation

Ms. Harris introduced herself as the Chair of the State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services. The Board deliberated on one report and recommendations in the matters of:

- *EMS Case Number 2014-208-E100, Scott D. Starker, EMS Applicant Number 166180*

The respondent did not file objections to the report and recommendation. Ms. Harris recognized Assistant Attorney General Brandon Duck for the purpose of providing a brief synopsis of the case and a recommendation for disciplinary action.

AAG Duck presented EMS Case Number 2014-208-E100, Scott D. Starker, EMS Applicant Number 166180. Mr. Starker's hearing was held on January 13, 2015. Previously Mr. Starker was a certified EMT in New York and was convicted of two felonies for arson from 1998 and 1999. Mr. Starker received a concurrent 4 to 12 year sentence, served 8 years and was paroled in 2006. Today he is 42 years old and lives in Fairborn, Ohio. He went to Fortis College in Centerville, Ohio for EMT training, sat for the National Registry exam, applied for a basic EMT card.

The report and recommendation has been provided by the hearing officer who has heard all the evidence and the witnesses. AAG Duck did not endorse or offer another recommendation; only a summation of this matter.

AAG Duck introduced Mr. Starker who was in attendance and presented his testimony to the Board.

Mr. Starker stated that he understood the seriousness of the offenses. However, he has turned his life around. He asked for an opportunity to receive his EMT certificate and to prove people are capable of change. Mr. Starker stated he completed his parole, the mental health evaluation, and the BCI background check.

No questions from the Board.

Having heard AAG Duck's synopsis and recommendations for the case and Mr. Starker's statement, Ms. Harris requested a motion to adjourn and go into private session.

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

Roll Call

Ms. Deanna Harris (Chair)	Present	Mr. Daryl McNutt	Present
Mr. Thomas Allenstein	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Ms. Julie Rose *arrived 10:13 a.m.	Present
Ms. Rebecca Baute (Vice Chair)	Absent	Dr. Hamilton Schwartz	Absent
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Ms. Diane Simon	Present
Ms. Pamela Bradshaw	Present	Dr. Steven Steinberg	Present
Mr. James Davis	Absent	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Absent
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. Thomas Wappner	Present
Mr. Ernest Hatmaker	Absent	Mr. Dudley Wright II	Present
Mr. Steven Jones	Present		

The Board returned from private session at 10:28 a.m.

ACTION In the matter of EMS Case #2014-208-E100, Scott D. Starker, EMS Applicant Number 166180, the Board confirms and approves the findings of fact, conclusions of law; however, rejects the recommendation issued by the hearing examiner. The Board moves to reject and modify the recommendation issued based upon the egregious nature of the two felony convictions for arson, third-degree felonies, in violation of New York Penal Code 150.10. The Board rejects the proposed recommendation and denies Mr. Starker's application for EMT. Mr. Wright – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None Opposed. Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, Mr. Resanovich, and Mr. Jones– abstained. Motion approved.

Goldman Proceedings

Ms. Harris, Chair of the State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services called the proceeding to order at 10:32 a.m. on May 20, 2015 at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Room 134, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43223. Members of the Board present for the proceedings were:

Roll Call

Ms. Deanna Harris (Chair)	Present	Mr. Daryl McNutt	Present
Mr. Thomas Allenstein	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Ms. Julie Rose	Present
Ms. Rebecca Baute (Vice Chair)	Absent	Dr. Hamilton Schwartz	Absent
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Ms. Diane Simon	Present
Ms. Pamela Bradshaw	Present	Dr. Steven Steinberg	Present
Mr. James Davis	Absent	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Absent
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. Thomas Wappner	Present
Mr. Ernest Hatmaker	Absent	Mr. Dudley Wright II	Present
Mr. Steven Jones	Present		

It was noted for the record that a majority of members of the Board were present. There were five adjudications. The proceedings were in the matter of:

- EMS Case Number 2013-279-BE100, Kevin P. Kelly, EMS Certificate Number 10290,
- EMS Case Number 2013-500-BE100, Casey T. Miller, EMS Certificate Number 142800,
- EMS Case Number 2014-98-E300, Daniel A. Little, EMS Certificate Number 139775,
- EMS Case Number 2014-192-E300, Christine M. Griffith, EMS Certificate Number 106379 and,
- EMS Case Number 2014-466-E300, Andrea M. Kaminski, EMS Certificate Number 140482.

The proceedings were an affidavit-based adjudication relative to the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing mailed to the respondents in the aforementioned case and believed to have been properly served according to the Administrative Procedures Act (Chapter 119 of the Ohio Revised Code).

As the respondents did not properly request a hearing in the case, the proceeding was held before the Board pursuant to *Goldman v. State Medical Board of Ohio*. The individuals named did not have the ability to present written or oral testimony, but may be present to hear the proceeding and outcome.

All Board members received the sworn affidavits from the EMS investigators and accompanying exhibits for the Goldman proceeding in the board packet. The affidavits contained the evidence and testimony upon which was deliberated. Although all had the opportunity to review the affidavit and accompanying exhibits, additional time was allowed to review if needed. No additional time was required.

In lieu of a stenographic record being made, the minutes reflect that the original sworn affidavits and exhibits will be kept as the official record of the proceeding in the aforementioned matter in the Office of the Division of EMS.

Ms. Harris recognized Assistant Attorney General Brandon Duck for the purpose of providing a brief synopsis of the case and a recommendation for disciplinary action.

As each Board member received the affidavits for each case to review prior to the meeting, AAG Duck briefly presented a summary of each case:

There were five Goldman cases where no hearing was requested

- Kevin P. Kelly – EMT Basic and also dual certified. Mr. Kelly was convicted of *Complicity, Unauthorized Compensation Prohibited*. The recommendation is to revoke Mr. Kelly's basic EMT certificate.
- Casey T. Miller – submitted renewal application for EMT Intermediate Certificate and is dual certified. Mr. Miller has 8 convictions of *Voyeurism* from 3 different courts of law. Mr. Miller would photograph women while in tanning beds at various locations which resulted in 8 separate convictions. Based on his pattern of behavior and the seriousness of the crime, AAG Duck's recommendation is to revoke his advanced emergency medical technician certificate.
- Daniel A. Little, Christine M. Griffith, and Andrea M. Kaminski - CE Audit cases. EMS certificate renewal applications were submitted by Mr. Little for an EMT-Basic, Ms. Griffith for an EMT-Intermediate, and Ms. Kaminski for an EMT-Basic. Random audit notices were sent as were notices of hearing. All of these individuals were non-responsive and did not request a hearing.

AAG Duck's recommendation was to deny renewal applications and revoke these certificates.

Having heard AAG Duck's synopses and recommended disciplinary actions for the cases, Ms. Harris requested a motion to admit the sworn affidavit and the accompanying exhibits in the aforementioned cases into evidence.

ACTION: Motion to admit the sworn affidavit and accompanying exhibits in the aforementioned cases into evidence. Mr. McNutt – First. Mr. Wright – Second. Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, and Mr. Resanovich - Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

There being no further evidence to come before the Board, the proceeding closed at 10:38 a.m.

The procedural and jurisdictional matters having been satisfied, the proceeding will continue by deliberation on the sworn affidavit and exhibits. A written copy of the Board's decision will be mailed to the respondents.

Ms. Harris 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 recess and go into private session for the purpose of quasi-judicial deliberation on these matters pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 119 and that are required to be kept confidential under R.C. 4765.102(B). Mr. Wright – First. Mr. Wappner – Second. None abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

Roll Call

Ms. Deanna Harris (Chair)	Present	Mr. Daryl McNutt	Present
Mr. Thomas Allenstein	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Ms. Julie Rose	Present
Ms. Rebecca Baute (Vice Chair)	Absent	Dr. Hamilton Schwartz	Absent
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Ms. Diane Simon	Present
Ms. Pamela Bradshaw	Present	Dr. Steven Steinberg	Present
Mr. James Davis	Absent	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Absent
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. Thomas Wappner	Present
Mr. Ernest Hatmaker	Absent	Mr. Dudley Wright II	Present
Mr. Steven Jones	Present		

The Board returned from private session at 10:53 a.m.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2013-279-BE100, Kevin P. Kelly, EMS Certificate Number 10290, the Board finds that Mr. Kelly was convicted of Complicity, Unauthorized Compensation Prohibited, a first-degree misdemeanor. Mr. Kelly was in violation of the Ohio Administrative Code Section 4765-10-03(B)(2)(c); therefore the Board moves to revoke Mr. Kelly's emergency medical technician certificate. Mr. McNutt – First. Mr. Wappner – Second. None opposed. Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2013-500-BE100, Casey T. Miller, EMS Certificate Number 142800, the Board finds that Mr. Miller was convicted of six (6) counts Voyeurism, all second degree misdemeanors; Voyeurism, a third-degree misdemeanor; and Voyeurism, a third-degree misdemeanor. Mr. Miller violated Ohio Administrative Code Section 4765-10-03(B)(2)(c); therefore the Board moves to deny Mr. Miller's renewal application and revoke Mr. Miller's advanced emergency medical technician certificate. Mr. Wright – First Ms. Beavers – Second None opposed. Mr. Allenstein, Mr. Resanovich, Ms. Bradshaw, Mr. Appelhans – abstained. Motion failed due to lack of quorum.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2014-98-E300, Daniel A. Little, EMS Certificate Number 139775, the Board finds that Mr. Little failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements to renew his certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(3), and 4765-15-03; therefore, the Board moves to revoke Mr. Little's emergency medical technician certificate to practice. Mr. McNutt – First. Mr. Wappner – Second. None opposed. Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, and Mr. Resanovich– abstained. Motion approved

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2014-192-E300, Christine M. Griffith, EMS Certificate Number 106379, the Board finds that Ms. Griffith failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that she had satisfied the requirements to renew her certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(3), 4765-16-03; therefore, the Board moves to revoke Ms. Griffith's advanced emergency medical technician certificate. Mr. McNutt – First. Ms. Beavers– Second. None opposed. Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, and Mr. Resanovich– abstained. Motion approved

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2014-466-E300, Andrea M. Kaminski, EMS Certificate Number 140482, the Board finds that Ms. Kaminski failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that she had satisfied the requirements to renew her certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(3), and 4765-15-03; therefore, the Board moves to revoke Ms. Kaminski's emergency medical technician certificate. Mr. McNutt – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None opposed. Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, and Mr. Resanovich– abstained. Motion approved.

The Board discussed the previous motion regarding EMS Case #2014-208-E100, Scott D. Starker. Due to four abstentions the motion fails. The motion was amended as follows:

ACTION In the matter of EMS Case #2014-208-E100, Scott D. Starker, EMS Applicant Number 166180, the Board confirms and approves the findings of fact, conclusions of law, however, reject the recommendation issued by the hearing examiner. The Board moves to reject and modify the recommendation issued based upon the egregious nature of the two felony convictions for Arson, third-degree felonies, in violation of New York Penal Code 150.10. The Board rejects the proposed recommendation and denies Mr. Starker's application for EMT. Mr. Wright – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None Opposed. Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, Mr. Resanovich, and Mr. Jones– abstained. **Motion failed.** Revisit in June 2015.

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) at 11:02 a.m. Mr. McNutt – First Mr. Wappner - Second

Roll Call

Ms. Deanna Harris (Chair)	Present	Mr. Daryl McNutt	Present
Mr. Thomas Allenstein	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Ms. Julie Rose	Present
Ms. Rebecca Baute (Vice Chair)	Absent	Dr. Hamilton Schwartz	Absent
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Ms. Diane Simon	Present
Ms. Pamela Bradshaw	Present	Dr. Steven Steinberg	Present
Mr. James Davis	Absent	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Absent
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. Thomas Wappner	Present
Mr. Ernest Hatmaker	Absent	Mr. Dudley Wright II	Present
Mr. Steven Jones	Present		

The Board returned from private session at 11:42 a.m.

ACTION: Motion to accept the following Consent Agreements: Mr. Wright – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Abstain – Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2014-26-BE500	2014-625-BE300	2014-693-E400	2015-48-BE100
2014-150-E100	2014-648-E500	2015-28-E100	2015-59-BE100
2014-383-BE100		2015-32-E500	2015-64-BE100

ACTION: Motion to accept the following Consent Agreement: Mr. Wappner – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Opposed - Mr. Dutton, Ms. Beavers, Mr. Wappner, Mr. Appelhans, Mr. Wright, Mr. McNutt, Dr. Steinberg, Ms. Simons, Ms. Rose, and Mr. Jones. Abstain - Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, and Mr. Resanovich. **Motion failed.**

2014-440-E100 *vacate hearing

ACTION: Motion to accept the following proposed Consent Agreements: Mr. McNutt – First. Mr. Wright – Second. Abstain – Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2014-404-ET500

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-violation of ORC and/or OAC: Mr. McNutt – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Abstain – Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2014-152-BE100	2014-548-BE100	2014-695-E300*Flag for	2015-77-ET400
2014-385-E300*rescind	2014-662-E100	complaint audit at renewal	2015-80-ET500
NOH/vacate hearing	2014-674-E500	2014-697-E100	2015-82-ET500
2014-448-BE100	2014-677-BE100	2015-9-E100	2015-176-ET500
2014-472-E300*rescind	2014-694-E300*Flag for	2015-29-E100	2014-539-E300
NOH/vacate hearing	complaint audit at renewal	2015-58-E100	
2014-531-E300*rescind			
NOH/vacate hearing			

ACTION: Motion to close the following cases. The Board accepts the surrendering of their respective certificates to practice or teach. Re-open if re-applies: Mr. McNutt – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Abstain – Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2014-316-E300	2014-373-E300*Rescind NOH	2014-571-E300
2014-370-E300	2014-450-E300	

ACTION: Motion to close the following cases. Individuals did not supply required documentation; therefore, their applications were rendered incomplete: Ms. Beavers – First. Mr. Wappner – Second. Abstain – Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2014-90-E100

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

2012-138-E300	2013-172-E100	2014-177-BE100
2012-257-E300	2013-636-E100	

ACTION: Motion to close the following education cases. Mr. Wappner – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Abstain – Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2011-945-E300 *Renew certificate of approval	2014-666-E300
2014-620-E500	2015-86-E300 *Issue a warning letter
2014-621-E500	

ACTION: Motion to Issue Notices of Opportunity for Hearings for the following cases. Mr. McNutt – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Abstain – Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2013-436-BE100	2014-498-E300	2014-633-BE100
2014-492-E300	2014-511-BE100	
2014-493-E300	2014-529-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. McNutt– First. Mr. Wappner – Second. Abstain – Mr. Allenstein, Ms. Bradshaw, and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2014-686-E100	2015-65-E100	2015-100-E100	2015-127-E100
2014-688-BE100	2015-66-BE100	2015-108-E100	2015-131-E100
2014-698-BE100	2015-71-E100	2015-110-BE100	2015-138-E100
2014-700-BE100	2015-76-E100	2015-111-E100	2015-139-E100
2015-43-E100	2015-78-BE100	2015-114-BE100	2015-141-E100
2015-49-E100	2015-81-E100	2015-119-BE100	
2015-63-BE100	2015-94-E100	2015-122-E100	

REPORTS:

EMS Board Chair Report, Deanna Harris (Chair)

Ms. Harris thanked the Board for their time and dedication to this very important role, especially during EMS Week. The work of the Board members is very important and it is an honor to sit in these seats. Ms. Harris reminded the Board members that it is their responsibility to ensure that they are representing their nominating organizations, the citizens of Ohio, and certificate holders by attending as many EMFTS Board meetings as possible. If they are unable to attend, Board members must notify the Division of EMS to ensure that a quorum will be present at the meeting. Ms. Harris wished everyone a happy EMS Week.

She suggested that the Board continue to interact with EMS providers and firefighters and inquire as to how the Board might serve them better, inform them of current Board projects, and how they can become involved.

Ms. Harris congratulated Dr. Cunningham on her reappointment to the National EMS Advisory Council (NEMSAC). Ms. Harris expressed how it is an honor to have Dr. Cunningham represent the EMS Medical Director sector and thanked her for serving the EMFTS Board and lending her expertise.

State EMS Medical Director Report, Dr. Carol Cunningham

The Regional Physicians Advisory Board (RPAB)

- The RPAB is in the process of transitioning to the new regions. A list will be provided at the next Board meeting for approvals. An EMS agency in RPAB Region IV lost its Medical Director, and they presented a new candidate who, unfortunately, did not meet the requirements to request a waiver from the Board. RPAB members in Region IV have assisted the EMS agency to find a physician to serve as a medical director. A physician willing to serve has been identified; however, he will require a waiver from the Board to serve as the medical director. After a short discussion it was decided Dr. Cunningham will present the application to the Board on June 17, 2015 after the candidate's request and credentials have been reviewed and approved by the RPAB chairs.

Ohio Association of EMS Annual Meeting, July 23, 2015

- Dr. Cunningham and EMS Executive Director Melvin House will attend to answer questions during a live and in person AskEMS session. Dr. Cunningham will present a lecture on "The Role of EMS Preparedness and Community Resilience."

Ohio Opiate Action Committee, Governor's Cabinet Opiate Action Team

- The medical directors of each state agency are providing recommendations to the Governor's Cabinet on guidelines for physicians and patients with regards to education on pain management and expectations and appropriate analgesic prescribing.
- Dr. Cunningham was invited by the White House to speak with Deputy Director Leary, Office of National Drug Control Policy. They had an extensive conversation regarding Ohio's program and what has been done to expand the opportunities to engage law enforcement and communities. They also discussed options for the proper path to take since naloxone is now being provided to laypersons.
- As a follow-up to the discussion with the White House's Office of National Drug Control Policy, Dr. Cunningham was invited to join a teleconference with Richard Frank, the Assistant Secretary of Planning and Evaluation at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

During teleconference discussion 3 items were highlighted regarding naloxone administration by non-EMS personnel

- Training
- Physician medical direction
- Benefits EMS have over law enforcement and laypersons to decide the proper patient who would benefit from naloxone administration. She suggested modeling the protocol for laypersons and law enforcement personnel to a matrix similar to the American Heart Association's STEMI and stroke guidelines by activating 911 before administering naloxone. The data regarding long-term patient outcomes is also lacking.

Assistant Attorney General, Brandon Duck

AAG Duck stated there are two lawsuits pending; Kevin Miller and Robert Oldham. Therefore, there are no updates due to pending court action.

AAG Duck highlighted the Supreme Court case *North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners vs. Federal Trade Commission* that affects anyone with a regulatory function over those with licenses or certificates. The Supreme Court's decision in February 2015 stated if one serves on a board and there are a controlling number of board members that makes decisions to affect the market, then one would not have state immunity from anti-trust claims. The Attorney General's office will continue to monitor the situation as it relates to this EMFTS Board.

EMS Staff Legal Counsel, Anna Firestone

Nothing to report.

EMS Legislative Liaison, Alex Lapso

Executive Director Melvin House introduced Alex Lapso and welcomed him as the new EMS Legislative Liaison since Andrew Spencer transferred to the BMV.

Alex Lapso stated there are some new pieces of legislation that have been recently introduced

- Senate Bill 125 which would allow teachers and school personnel to barricade the door shut using a removable device in an emergency situation with an assailant on the premises or in the school.
- HB 187 which would allow first responders to stabilize an injured animal in an emergency. The sponsor of the bill and members of the committee are looking to offer an amendment to clarify the definition of an animal; specifically to clarify that it be a service or companion animal.
- Senator Lehner introduced Senate Bill 165 and some concerns were raised by the Division of EMS.
- Trauma Board bill update – it was hopeful the fourth version would have been introduced; however, there were changes, and now there will be a fifth version.

Executive Director House requested that the Board members review these bills to determine how they will affect their services, and then work with their representatives to address any concerns.

Executive Director and Staff Reports ~ Melvin House

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

- Seat 10: EMS Provider – remains vacant

Staff Vacancies

- *Grants Administrator – Certification/Grants Section.* Interviews completed April 6, 2015. A candidate was selected, and a recommendation to hire was submitted to Human Resources (HR) on April 7, 2015. The candidate declined the position. A second choice recommendation sent to HR, and the background check process is underway.

- *Administrative Professional 2 – Certification/Grants Section.* Jan Deppner, who transferred from the BMV, accepted the position; however, she is currently on medical leave.
- *Administrative Professional 1/ Customer Service Assistant 1 – Certification/Grants Section.* Sarah Hall, a transfer from the BMV, started on April 20, 2015.
- *Administrative Professional 2/ Customer Service Assistant 2 – Medical Transportation Section.* Position filled. New employee, Cynthia Gossard, started on April 6, 2015.
- *Administrative Professional 4 – Board Secretary/EMS Administrative Assistant.* Valerie Koker started on May 4, 2015.
- *Administrative Professional 2 – Certification/Grants Section.* AP2 Dawn Vondracek transferred to the OSHP effective March 8, 2015. Executive Director House is working with ODPS Admin and HR to fill the position.

IT Project

- Fire testing is being revised and should be completed by June 30th. Certification rebuilding will resume on July 1st. Discovery sessions have been completed with IT and DEMS sections to establish project order and timeline.
- AHA Mission: Lifeline:
 - Comprehensive initiative to implement a STEMI system of care throughout Ohio to improve the quality of care and patient outcomes by improving the timelines of care.
 - 51 agencies in Ohio are considered “high-functioning” and “high-quality”.
 - By state, Ohio had the second most recognized agencies in the U.S.
- Meetings/Conferences:
 - *3/18/2015.* Executive Director House provided a Division of EMS/EMFTS Board update at the Ohio Fire Chiefs’ Association Winter Symposium at the Hyatt Capital Square.
 - *3/28/2015.* Executive Director House presented an overview of the Division of EMS, EMFTS Board, rules and laws at the New Fire Chiefs’ Symposium hosted by the State Fire Marshal at the Ohio Fire Academy.
 - *5/13/2015.* Trauma Assessment, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM, State Fire Marshal's Office / Ohio Fire Academy, 8895 East Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio.
 - *5/18/2015.* Ohio EMS Conference at the Greater Columbus Convention Center.

Executive Director House advised the Board that the EMS staff struggle when Board meetings are cancelled. Board members reminded to rsvp if unable to attend Board and/or Committee meetings. Extenuating situations are understandable, however, there are only six Board meetings a year and would be appreciated if these meetings are made a priority due to quorum issues. In addition, it is also important to those waiting for their certifications. All of the Board member’s attendance is appreciated.

EMS Certification, Extensions & Exemption Requests, Jean Booze

Jean Booze reported that, from February 12, 2015 to April 8, 2015, there were 124 EMS extension requests. The staff recommends approval and requests a motion to ratify the extensions:

ACTION: Motion to approve EMS extension requests. Ms. Bradshaw – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Jean Booze reported that during February 12, 2015 to April 8, 2015, there were 2,322 new EMS certifications and 2,198 new Fire certifications. The staff recommends approval and requests a motion to ratify new certifications:

ACTION: Motion to approve new certifications. Ms. Bradshaw – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Jean Booze reported on the CE exemptions requests. There was one CE exemption request due to military exemption requests from an individual who is dual-certified and still on active duty (#2015-4-01). There was one EMS provider who is only requesting medical hardship exemption (2015-4-5). All supporting documentation has been received for these two requests. The staff recommends approval and requests a motion to approve the exemption requests.

ACTION: Motion to approve exemption requests for #2015-4-01 and #2015-4-5. Ms. Bradshaw – First. Mr. McNutt – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Education – John Sands

National Accreditation Update

- 45 Ohio Accredited Paramedic Training
- 17 CAAHEP Accredited Paramedic Training
- 25 CoAEMSP Letter of Reviews
- 2 Independent Self Study Reviews
- 1 Preparing to have meeting with Director House

Medical Transportation – Dave Fiffick

Dave Fiffick presented the list of Medical Transportation renewal applications with expiration dates of March, April, May and June 2015. Staff is requesting a motion and approval pending a satisfactory inspection.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Medical Transportation renewals with expiration dates of March, April, May and June 2015. Mr. Resanovich – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Mr. Allenstein (CEMS of Ohio) – Abstain. None opposed. Motion approved.

Dave Fiffick presented the list of Medical Transportation new service applications (14 Ambulettes/3 Ambulances). Staff is requesting a motion and approval pending a satisfactory inspection.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Medical Transportation new service. Ms. Beavers – First. Ms. Bradshaw - Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

Dave Fiffick presented the list of Medical Transportation for new headquarters (2 ambulettes/1 ambulance) and satellite location applications (2 ambulettes/4 ambulances). Staff is requesting a motion and approval.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Medical Transportation new headquarters and satellite location applications. Mr. Resanovich – First. Ms. Bradshaw – Second. Mr. Allenstein (Med Flight of Ohio) – abstain. None opposed. Motion approved.

EMFTS BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mobile Integrated Healthcare/Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc Committee, Deanna Harris

Ms. Harris requested a motion for a waiver to go above 15 committee members for the Mobile Integrated Healthcare/Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc committee.

Discussion regarding why new members are necessary.

ACTION: Motion to go above 15 committee members for the Mobile Integrated Healthcare/Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc committee. Mr. Resanovich – First. Ms. Bradshaw – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

ACTION: Amend the Motion to go above 15 committee members to a motion to cap the number of committee members to 18 for the Mobile Integrated Healthcare/Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc committee. Mr. McNutt – First. Mr. Allenstein – Second. None opposed. Mr. Resanovich - abstain. Motion approved.

ACTION: Motion to remove Geoff Dutton from the Mobile Integrated Healthcare/Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc committee. Mr. Allenstein – First. Mr. Wright – Second. None opposed. Mr. Dutton- abstain. Motion approved.

ACTION: Motion to add Jeffrey Bruggeman, Tristan Coomer, Adam Howard, Jonathan Lever, Natasha Meinert, and Janel Scarbrough to the Mobile Integrated Healthcare/Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc committee. Mr. McNutt– First. Mr. Allenstein – Second. None opposed. Mr. Dutton- abstain. Motion approved.

Ms. Harris stated the Ohio Fire Chiefs' Association have sent out a legislative alert and requesting to contact senators. Work is being done to add language to Substitute HB 64.

Next meeting for this committee is scheduled for June 16, 2015.

EMS Awards Ad Hock Committee , Deanna Harris

Ms. Harris stated that a conference call was held with EMS Staff to clarify questions regarding donations. Awards are typically given in September, however, the timeline is too soon to do a respectable presentation. Award ceremony will be in May 2016.

EMS-Children Committee (EMSC), Joe Stack

Previous meeting was held April 14, 2015.

The 2014 "Equipment for Ground Ambulances" pre-hospital equipment list has been reviewed and recommended by the EMS for Children Committee and the Medical Transportation Committee, to replace the 2009 "Equipment for Ambulances" list as the Board endorsed the list for Ohio EMS agencies. Dr. Naa Allotey, EMSC Project Director, is reviewing the list for compatibility with the Ohio EMS Grants list.

Dr. Naa Allotey is working with Ohio's pediatric hospitals to recruit physicians and nurses to serve as site reviewers for the Emergency Departments: Pediatric Prepared program.

The EMS for Children Committee has begun planning for a workshop in 2016 to focus on pediatric pre-hospital protocol writing for EMS medical directors.

Joe Stack is working with Carol Jacobson of the Ohio Hospital Association and Dr. Deanna Dahl-Grove of the EMSC Committee to schedule a meeting of the Ohio Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Coalition later this year.

Tim Erskine and Joe Stack presented the "Concepts in Process Improvement" workshop at the Ohio EMS Conference on Monday, May 18, 2015. Twenty (20) EMS providers participated in the workshop.

Dr. Deanna Dahl-Grove is working on a third annual Ohio Pediatric Emergency Medicine Fellows Conference for Thursday, September 17 , 2015 at the Ohio Department of Public Safety; topic areas are TBA.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 16, 2015.

EMS System Development. (Deanna Harris)

Ms. Harris, on behalf of Committee Chair Mr. Davis, requested a motion to add the following members to the EMS System Development Committee for 2015: Mr. Barry Seth, Mr. Herb de la Porte, and Mr. Vincent Gildone.

ACTION: Motion to appoint members Barry Seth and Herb de la Porte and Vincent Gildone to the EMS System Development Committee for 2015: Mr. Resanovich – First. Mr. Allenstein – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

Homeland Security Subcommittee, Mark Resanovich

Homeland Security Subcommittee met and received the revisions from ODH for the Chempack program. The committee is reviewing the revisions and at the next meeting will respond to ODH. Also discussed was ODH's response to the Ebola plan that involves EMS. Concerns were directed to Executive Director House.

Working on Strategic plan, development of the Chempack technical assistance teams. The committee is putting that into place and offering assistance to ODH and as a resource for technical assistance.

During the Board retreat there was a presentation from the Committee regarding active shooter incidents. During that time the Board was presented a position paper which included EMS involvement in active shooter response.

Next meeting is scheduled for June 5, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

Mr. Resanovich requested a motion to appoint Mr. Barry Seth and Mr. Raymond Friedmann as new members of the Homeland Security Subcommittee for 2015.

ACTION: Motion to appoint Barry Seth and Raymond Friedmann to the Homeland Security Subcommittee for 2015: Mr. Allenstein – First. Mr. McNutt – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

ACTION: Motion to remove member Paul Thomas from the Homeland Security Subcommittee for 2015: Mr. Allenstein – First. Mr. McNutt – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

Education, Pam Bradshaw

The Education Committee has had two meetings since the last Board meeting. Items that have been discussed are as follows:

- Five-Year Rule Review for OAC 4765-9-02: Professional standards of conduct for holders of certificate to teach.
- Strategic Plan and goals for the upcoming year.
- Discussion as to capacity needs assessment for all of Ohio areas related to education of EMS providers. The committee reviewed EMSIRS to determine if any data from the database could be used. The data points were reviewed and the committee would like to see some data points added such as capacity needs of certain areas in Ohio.
- The committee is currently reviewing the Developing a Performance Improvement Plan Program report and how the committee can educate consistently for all EMS agencies and determine how to assist training institutions with a performance improvement plan for educational programs.
- The committee, along with Dr. Cunningham, reviewed a prototype online capnography course developed by UTMC emergency medicine residents and produced by James Rhodes State College. Once finalized the course will be available on the Ohio EMS Website.
- The committee would like to present some issues regarding capnography to the MOC committee for their review at the next meeting.
- The committee will be working on some questions for an upcoming survey to be sent out for all instructors on the instructor list serve. More information to follow on this survey.
- The next meeting is scheduled for July 15, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

Motion to add Mr. Kristopher Alexander to the Education committee.

ACTION: Motion to add Kristopher Alexander to the Education Committee for 2015: Mr. Allenstein – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

Medical Oversight Committee (MOC), Geoff Dutton

The last meeting was held on April 14, 2015 and the next meeting will be June 16, 2015 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

The committee continued a discussion regarding the electronic transmission 12-lead EKG. Dr. Cunningham is developing a white paper for committee review and when complete will be presented to the Board for consideration and approval

Discussed the specialty care transport code, scope of practice, and billing questions. Julie Rose will attend the next meeting to discuss in more detail.

“AskEMS” received an inquiry regarding the possibility of expanding the scope of practice, in response to the rising costs of auto-injectors. The committee’s recommendation was not to change the scope of practice for economic reasons.

Another “AskEMS” question received and discussed was regarding the use of intranasal tampons and whether its use is outside the scope of practice. The committee discussed and agreed their use is outside the current scope of practice.

The Board discussed the use of intranasal and why their use is indeed outside of the Ohio EMS scope of practice. However, the concern was that many agencies are currently using intranasal tampons although it is outside the scope of practice. The Board requested that a broadcast be sent out to all agencies through listserv.

Action Item: Dr. Cunningham will develop an informational memo regarding intranasal tampons and it will be placed on the EMS listserv.

Medical Transportation Committee (MTC) – Tom Allenstein

The committee did not meet in April and the next meeting will be June 16, 2015.

Mr. Allenstein stated there was an oversight at the last meeting and one of the committee members was not placed for reappointment. Mr. Allenstein requested a motion to add Paul Wright to the Medical Transportation Committee

ACTION: Motion to reappoint Paul Wright as a member to the Medical Transportation Committee for 2015: Mr. McNutt – First. Ms. Rose – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

Critical Care Subcommittee, Julie Rose:

The committee has not met since the last Board meeting.

The Committee will be having a dialogue regarding certain transports and clarification of additional training for those transports. Since this is a new committee, they will be deliberating on that topic using many different definitions to consider from around the country.

Resource Management Committee, Mark Resanovich

Mr. Resanovich reported there were five different research organizations requesting research grant extensions. The committee has reviewed these requests and the recommendation is to approve the requests from University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati Children’s Hospital who has three research grants and the University of Akron.

ACTION: Motion to grant the extension requests of the University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati Children's Hospital, and University of Akron. Ms. Bradshaw – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

The Resource Management Committee received and are currently reviewing the grading scale from the Independent Trauma System. Their recommendations for Priority 2 through 5 will be presented to the Board in June 2015 for review and approval of the grant requests.

Grant funding for SFY 2016 is approximately \$2.9 million compared to \$2.8 million in SFY 2015. The concern remains that many agencies continue to leave grant money unspent at the end of each grant cycle. Those funds are then returned to the State of Ohio, it cannot be rolled over or granted to another agency, it is simply lost. This could result in less funding in the future.

A discussion was conducted regarding dollar amounts and the distinction between transporting and non-transporting parameters.

ACTION: Motion to reduce the maximum award of \$1500 to \$500 if any non-transporting agency has more than \$300 unspent for the current grant cycle. Mr. Dutton – First. Ms. Rose – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

ACTION: Motion to reduce the maximum award of \$2500 to \$1500 if any transporting agency has more than \$300 unspent for the current grant cycle. Mr. McNutt – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

Next month, the Board will receive the recommendations for awarding grants. Mr. Resanovich stated that they have awarded grants where the full amount of money is received; however, some are noncompliant with the grant by not submitting the final report to the Board. Recommendation that those who are not compliant will not be eligible for future grants.

Time-Critical Diagnosis Ad Hoc Committee, Mr. Dutton

A stakeholders' meeting will be held September 25, 2015 in Pickerington at the BWC. A large group will meet then break off into smaller groups for a work session. The meeting will be all day and the focus will be on reaching out to key physician groups. Guest speakers from other states who have some form of a time-critical diagnosis system already established will give their perspectives. An online reservation system will be put in place.

Mr. Dutton thanked EMS Staff for all the work they have done.

Trauma Committee, Dr. Steinberg

Tim Erskine hosted a meeting with attendance of 60 to 65 to rescore the state's trauma system based on the trauma system's evaluation tool. Ohio has improved from 17% to 32%.

Sponsors of the trauma bill were hopeful that version 4 would be introduced to the legislature; however, Representative Grossman will submit version 5 after the budget has been completed.

EMS Supporting System, Tim Erskine

Mr. Erskine submitted a draft of the first annual EMSIRS report. This report is new to EMS; no other state does this report. At this point, we cannot tell if the numbers are due to bad documentation, bad care, or both. Dr. Steinberg stated the importance of the EMSIRS report because data shows us how we are doing. Not only should better care be given, it should be documented to provide the data.

The EMS Compass project develops national level performance measures. When the report is released in June of next year we will incorporate those measures into this report.

Ms. Rose suggested adding critical care to the data.

Action Item: Tim Erskine to send the draft of the annual EMSIRS report to the committee chairs so they may possibly add additional information and determine what information can be extracted and be useful.

Action Item: Ms. Harris requested that Dr. Cunningham develop and submit an informational write up to be published with the EMSIRS report.

Action Item: Ms. Harris requested that a motion be presented at the next meeting to post the EMSIRS report on the EMS website. (Agenda Item)

Tim Erskine thanked Ryan Frick for extracting the data and formatting it for the report.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Harris addressed the following Action Items.

- Trauma Committee – only three burn centers in Ohio (*has not been addressed to date*)
- Trauma – EMSIRS report (*will revisit at June meeting*)
- EMS Systems Development – Dispatch certification (contacted by Cuyahoga County, who has a dispatch class. They are looking at doing some work and furthering dispatch education. (*In progress.*))
- EMS Systems Development – Survey (*In progress*)
- Education – Reciprocity certification. (*In progress*)
- Medical Transportation – Goals and Objectives (*Completed*)
- Medical Transportation – Homeland Security Update (*In progress*)

Ms. Beavers has received phone calls regarding background checks. Per Ms. Harris, this is being addressed by EMS Systems Development Committee.

As a reminder, Ms. Rose, stated there may be a potential issue with purchasing ambulances under the new requirements. No resolution is available at this time. A discussion regarding the federal standards as it relates to Ohio and possible legislation. Also discussed was what would need to be done in order to comply with the new standards.

Announcement: Firefighters' Behavioral Health, suicide intervention, May 27, 2015 at 9:00 pm, stations are requesting agencies/organizations to bring one of their vehicles out with lights on to signify mental health for firefighters and EMS and in addition, if the department has had a suicide, light a candle for that person outside.

NEW BUSINESS

- Request for a Waiver Under 4765-12-01 of the Ohio Administrative Code for Fulltime EMR
 - Received written requests from Larry Zalesny, Fire Chief, Lafferty Fire Department and Dustin Hudak to be a paid EMR.
 - The Board considered and discussed a range of issues regarding the waiver.
 - Concerns of lowering the standard of care.
 - Discussed time of waiver, and they did not want the waiver to be indefinite.
 - Board has not approved waivers in the past, and there is no precedence regarding this matter.

ACTION: *Motion to deny the request for a Waiver under 4765-12-01 of the Ohio Administrative Code for fulltime EMR.* Mr. McNutt - First. Mr. Appelhans – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

Action Item: Executive Director House to send notification of the Board's decision regarding the Waiver.

Ms. Harris announced the opportunity for additional education at the Fire and EMS Expo, September 24-25, 2015 to be held at the Columbus Convention Center. Two tracks on mobile integrated health care and critical care have been added. Anyone who wishes to lecture should submit a proposal as soon as possible. Registration can be completed online.

Ms. Harris requested for insight of recognizing line of duty deaths by the Board. This matter will be discussed at the June Board meeting.

Mr. Resanovich requested clarification regarding the 1-hour training course online as to if it was a requirement or an option. Mr. Sands stated it is an option to take the class through an accredited in class course or the online course.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: *Motion to adjourn.* Mr. Allenstein - First. Ms. Rose – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

The meeting adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

- Wednesday, June 17, 2015 at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad Street, Conference Room 134, Columbus, Ohio