

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

**MEETING MINUTES**

**May 24, 2017**

**~ FINAL ~**

**Board Meeting Date and Location:** Wednesday, May 24, 2017 (10:00 a.m.) at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Conference room 1106, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio.

**Board Members Present:** Thomas Allenstein, Kent Appelhans, Karen Beavers, Geoff Dutton, Steven Jones, Susan Kearns, Mark Resanovich, Julie Rose, Dr. Hamilton Schwartz, and Dr. Thomas Tallman.

**Board Members Absent:** Beth Calcidise, James Davis, Deanna Harris, George Snyder and Dudley Wright

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

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

**Public Present:** ~none~

**EMFTS Board Meeting**

**Welcome and Introduction**

The meeting was brought to order at 10:05 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Mr. Thomas Allenstein (Chair)	Present	Ms. Susan Kearns	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Ms. Julie Rose (arrived 10:09)	Absent
Ms. Beth Calcidise	Present	Dr. Hamilton Schwartz	Present
Mr. James Davis	Absent	Mr. George B. Snyder	Absent
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Present
Ms. Deanna Harris	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright II (V.Chair)	Absent
Mr. Steven Jones	Present		

**Open Forum**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Dr. Cunningham reported that there was an application request from Dr. Jonathan Hess for a waiver to serve as a medical director for an EMS agency. Dr. Hess is board certified in family medicine. A portion of his clinical practice is in the emergency department and has completed the ACEP medical director course. His credentials have been reviewed.

A discussion ensued regarding the process for medical directors and why there are certain times a waiver is necessary.

***ACTION: Motion to approve the RPAB waiver for Dr. Jonathan Hess to serve as a medical director of an EMS agency.*** Mr. Dutton – First. Ms. Beavers– Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

### **Active Shooter Response Ad-Hoc Committee, Mark Resanovich**

Mr. Resanovich reported that the Active Shooter Response Ad-hoc committee created an Executive Summary that was provided to the Board members in the board packet. The Active Shooter Awareness is an educational opportunity that explains the roles and responsibilities of fire, EMS, and law enforcement working together during an incident. Mr. Resanovich requested a motion to approve the Executive Summary of the Active Shooter Response Ad-hoc committee.

***ACTION: Motion to approve the “Executive Summary” from the Active Shooter Response Ad-hoc Committee.*** Mr. Dutton– First. Ms. Beavers– Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

### **Trauma Triage Education – Revision**

Dr. Cunningham updated the power point presentation for the Ohio Trauma Triage education training module. This was included in the Board packet for review by all of the EMFTS Board members.

***ACTION: Motion to approve the revised and updated Ohio Trauma Triage education training module.*** Ms. Harris– First. Ms. Beavers– Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

### **Introductions**

Executive Director House introduced two new employees for the Division of EMS in the Education Section; John Miller and Kris Miller.

### **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).*** Ms. Harris– First. Mr. Jones– Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

**Roll Call**

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

**ACTION: Motion to issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing for the following case:** Ms. Harris – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. Mr. Resanovich– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

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**Guest Speaker, Dia Gainor**

Executive Director Mel House explained that as the Board moves forward with the strategic plan it was believed that Ms. Gainor could give our Board members an insight in what is happening in the nation in emergency medical services.

Executive Director House introduced Dia Gainor. Ms. Gainor is the executive director for the National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) and provides strategic leadership to promote and expand the organization’s presence and capacity as a national leader in emergency medical services. As executive director, she acts as a spokesperson for NASEMSO, positioning the association to pursue its vision with federal partners and other organizations. Dia’s expertise is grounded in a B.S.in Emergency Health Services Administration, a Master’s Degree in Public Administration, and 12 years of field experience as a paramedic and firefighter.

Ms. Gainor presented the history of EMS. In 1960 it was realized that transportation of the injured and emergency care was important. A list of needs and goals was created that looks much like the same issues as today. The first administrator of what is now the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration was a doctor. In 1966 the Highway Safety Act was enacted which made a very clear reference to the importance of emergency medical services care and transportation. In 1973 this became the Department of Health, Education and Welfare which is the Department of Health and Human Services today. In 1990 the Trauma Systems Plan and Development Act was enacted. In 1996 the EMS Agenda for the Future was another list of what EMS should be and where it should be in later years. In the late 2000 the Federal Interagency Commission on EMS was created and this is where the scope of practice was first began. NEMSAC was created and Ohio’s medical director, Dr. Cunningham has a seat on that organization.

Current Projects of National Significance:

- National Model of the EMS Guidelines which is being updated and Dr. Cunningham is the co-principal investigator for the project to create these guidelines.
- Studying fatigue in EMS
- Crash testing and standards – Ambulance.org
- EMS Compass – performance measures

- National EMS Quality Alliance
- First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet)
  - Ohio is in the forefront in Traffic Incident Management.
- National Safety Council
- Institute of Medicine at the National Academy of Science, Engineering and Medicine
  - National Trauma Care System; a recently released document regarding how to treat preventable deaths
- Recognition of EMS Personnel Licensure CompAct (REPLICA)
  - An interstate compact that extends a “privilege to practice” in the United States from a “home state” to “remote states” for qualified Emergency Medical Services personnel.
- EMS Agenda 2050 – An update of the EMS Agenda for the Future

#### **Q & A**

What are other states working on that our Board should strive to achieve?

- Trauma
- Background checks
  - Ohio certification does not require a background check – the applicant attest to not having a criminal background or they self-disclose their criminal background.

Community Paramedicine

- NASEMSO wrote a proposal for specialty certification.

EMS services in Ohio include fire based public services. DEMS regulate the personnel; however, the service is not regulated. What are other states doing?

- Ohio is among only a couple other states that do not regulate the public services.

The meeting adjourned at 11:40pm.

**NEXT MEETING:** EMFTS Board meeting at 10:00 a.m. on June 21, 2017; at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad, Conference Room 1106, Columbus, Ohio.