



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

**MEETING MINUTES
October 19, 2016**

~FINAL~

Board Meeting Date and Location: Wednesday, October 19, 2016 (10:00 a.m.) at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Room 1106, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio.

Board Members Present: Thomas Allenstein, Kent Appelhans, Karen Beavers, James Davis, Geoff Dutton, Susan Kearns, Mark Resanovich, Julie Rose, Dr. Hamilton Schwartz, Diane Simon, George B. Snyder, Dr. Thomas Tallman, Thomas Wappner and Dudley Wright.

Board Members Absent: Beth Calcidise, Steven Jones

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

Assistant Attorney General: Rico Barrera

Public Present: Charles R. Friend, Brandon Friend, Kristian Hughes, James K. Hughes, Matt Wells, Ron Wehner, Paula Moore, and Tyler Hermann.

EMFTS Board Meeting

Welcome and Introduction

The meeting began at 10:03 a.m.

Roll Call

Ms. Deanna Harris (Chair)	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Mr. Thomas Allenstein (V.Chair)	Present	Ms. Julie Rose	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Dr. Hamilton Schwartz	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Ms. Diane Simon	Present
Ms. Beth Calcidise	Absent	Mr. George B. Snyder	Present
Mr. James Davis	Absent	Dr. Thomas Tallman (arrived 10:20)	Absent
Mr. Geoff Dutton (arrived 10:05)	Absent	Mr. Thomas Wappner	Present
Mr. Steven Jones (arrived 10:05)	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright II	Present
Ms. Susan Kearns	Present		

Open Forum ~ None

Consent Agenda

Ms. Harris requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items that were distributed prior to the meeting including the EMFTS Board meeting minutes from August 1, 2016 and the certificates of approval and certification totals for the months of August and September 2016. Ms. Beavers made a correction to the minutes. She abstained from EMS Case Number 2015-681-BE100, Shane M. Cochrane.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items that were distributed prior to the meeting including the EMFTS Board meeting minutes from August 17, 2016 with the correction to add Ms. Beavers' abstention from EMS Case Number 2015-681-BE100, Certificates of Approval and Certification Totals for the months of August and September 2016. Ms. Rose – First. Ms. Beavers– Second. None opposed. No abstain. Motion approved.

Report and Recommendations

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 recommendation in the matter of:

- EMS Case Number 2015-79-E100, Jeffrey A. McCarty, EMS Certificate Number 40148
- EMS Case Number 2015-121-BE100, Alexzander K. Rosebrook, EMS Certificate Number 144921
- EMS Case Number 2015-192-BE100, Adam L. Siddle, EMS Certificate Number 132305

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

Jeffrey A. McCarty, EMS Case Number 2015-79-E100, EMS Certificate Number 40148. Mr. McCarty was convicted of unlawful sexual conduct with a minor, with specification that he was ten or more years older than the victim on October 26, 2015. This action was initiated against Mr. McCarty because of the felony and because he did not report the conviction within the 14-day window mandated by rule. The victim was the daughter of Mr. McCarty's girlfriend at the time. At the hearing, Kenneth Dick, investigator for the Adams County Prosecutor's Office, testified that Mr. McCarty was a long time sheriff in the county, and at the time of the offense Mr. McCarty was the Chief of the Sheriff's Office. Mr. Dick testified that he interviewed the victim and learned that Mr. McCarty had given the victim Ambien in order to help her sleep then entered her bedroom, inserted his finger in her vagina and that she could feel Mr. McCarty put his tongue on her vagina. Test results from the evidence collected by the detective showed Mr. McCarty's semen and saliva was found on the victim's underwear. Mr. McCarty did not appear at the hearing due to him being incarcerated. The Hearing Examiner found, based on the evidence, that Mr. McCarty was convicted of this felony and recommended permanent revocation.

Alexzander K. Rosebrook, EMS Case Number 2015-121-BE100, EMS Certificate Number 144921. Mr. Rosebrook was convicted on September 17, 2015, of 4 counts of pandering sexually oriented matter involving a minor, a fourth-degree felony and six counts of illegal use of a minor in nudity-oriented material or performance, a fifth-degree felonies. A hearing was held and the Respondent did not appear because he is currently incarcerated. At the hearing a police report was admitted into evidence detailing the investigation of the Black Swamp Electronic Crimes Task Force investigation. In the report it states that Mr. Rosebrook admitted to downloading and masturbating to child pornography approximately 100 times. The Hearing Examiner found that the State proved Mr. Rosebrook was convicted of these felonies and that he did not notify the Division

of his convictions as required by rule. The Hearing Officer's recommendation is permanent revocation.

Adam Siddle, EMS Case Number 2015-192-BE100, EMS Certificate Number 132305. Mr. Siddle was convicted on September 14, 2015 of 16 felony crimes, including two counts of theft, one count of money laundering, one count of telecommunication fraud, and twelve counts of forgery. He was sentenced to seven years in prison. A hearing was held, however, the Respondent did not appear due to his incarceration. Mr. Siddle was the president of the Washington Township Fire Department and he used his position to divert almost one million dollars for his personal use. The Hearing Examiner found that Mr. Siddle was convicted of these felonies and he did not notify the Division of his conviction as required by rule. The Hearing Examiner recommends permanent revocation.

Having heard AAG Barrera's synopsis and recommendations for the case, Ms. Harris requested a motion to adjourn and go into private session for the purpose of quasi-judicial deliberation.

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

Roll Call

Ms. Deanna Harris (Chair)	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Mr. Thomas Allenstein (V.Chair)	Present	Ms. Julie Rose	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Dr. Hamilton Schwartz	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Ms. Diane Simon	Present
Ms. Beth Calcidise	Absent	Mr. George B. Snyder	Present
Mr. James Davis	Absent	Dr. Thomas Tallman ^(arrived 10:20)	Absent
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. Thomas Wappner	Present
Mr. Steven Jones	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright II	Present
Ms. Susan Kearns	Present		

The Board returned from private session 10:18 a.m.

ACTION In the matter of EMS Case 2015-79-E100, Jeffrey A. McCarty, EMS Certificate Number 40148, the Board moves to confirm and approve the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and the recommendation issued by the hearing examiner to permanently revoke Mr. McCarty's certificate to practice. Ms. Simon – First. Mr. Wright – Second. None Opposed. Mr. Allenstein, Mr. Resanovich and Dr. Tallman – abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION In the matter of EMS Case Number 2015-121-BE100, Alexander K. Rosebrook, EMS Certificate Number 144921, the Board moves to confirm and approve the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and the recommendation issued by the hearing examiner to permanently revoke Mr. Rosebrook's certificate to practice. Ms. Simon – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None Opposed. Mr. Allenstein, Mr. Resanovich and Dr. Tallman – abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION In the matter of EMS Case Number 2015-192-BE100, Adam L. Siddle, EMS Certificate Number 132305, the Board moves to confirm and approve the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and the recommendation issued by the hearing examiner to permanently revoke Mr. Siddle's certificate to practice. Ms. Simon – First. Ms. Kearns – Second. None Opposed. Mr. Allenstein, Mr. Resanovich and Dr. Tallman– abstained. Motion approved.

EMS Summary Suspension Request

Ms. Harris, Chair of the State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services called the proceedings to order at 10:22 a.m. on October 19, 2016 at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio. Members of the Board present for the proceedings were:

Roll Call

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

It was noted for the record that a majority of the members of the Board were present. The Board reviewed one case to determine if there is clear and convincing evidence to warrant a summary suspension of the respondent's certificate to practice, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 4765.112. The proceedings were in the matter of:

- o EMS Case Number 2015-382-BE100, Thomas D. Watson, EMS Certificate Number 110628.
- o EMS Case Number 2016-384-E100, Joshua M. Gift, EMS Certificate Number 139870.

All Board members received the sworn affidavit from the EMS investigators and accompanying exhibits. The affidavit and exhibits contain the evidence upon which the case was deliberated upon. 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.

Ms. Harris recognized Assistant Attorney General Rico Barrera for the purpose of providing a brief synopsis of the case.

AAG Barerra explained that a summary suspension accelerates the routine process of issuing a suspension. If the Board finds clear and convincing evidence of the offense the suspension goes into place immediately. The individual may request a hearing within 30 days and if they request a hearing the suspension stays in effect until the Board makes its' final decision.

EMS Case Number 2015-382-BE100, Thomas D. Watson, EMS Certificate Number 110628.
Mr. Watson is certified as a paramedic. On June 9, 2016, Mr. Watson was convicted of Attempted Felonious Assault, a third-degree felony. The incident stems from a sexual encounter with a 17-year old victim. Mr. Watson assists with the Explorer's program in Rossford, which is located in Wood County. He developed a personal relationship with one of the participants in this program aspiring to become a firefighter and at some point the victim reached out to Mr. Watson to discuss

a personal issue. They arranged for her to visit Mr. Watson at his apartment and during this visit Mr. Watson had sex with the 17-year old victim. The police report and narrative from the victim suggested that the victim had reservations about saying no to Mr. Watson or reporting the incident because of Mr. Watson's perceived authority as an assistant to the Explorer's program and his position as a firefighter and paramedic. The recommendation is to summarily suspend Mr. Watson's paramedic certificate.

EMS Case Number 2016-384-E100, Joshua M. Gift, EMS Certificate Number 139870. On July 18, 2016, Mr. Gift was convicted of *Sexual Imposition*, a misdemeanor and designated as a Tier I sexual offender. The incident occurred three years ago when Mr. Gift groped his 13-year old sister-in-law, rubbing her breasts and vagina while she was clothed and asking her if she wanted to sleep in his bed that night. The offense came to light some time later after the victim finally came forward. Mr. Gift did not deny that the offense occurred, however, he did not notify the Division of his conviction. The recommendation is to summarily suspend Mr. Gift's certificate to practice.

Having heard AAG Barrera's synopses and recommended disciplinary action for the case, Ms. Harris requested a motion to recess the meeting for the purpose of entering into quasi-judicial deliberations on these matters pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 119 and that are required to keep confidential under R.C. 4765.102(B).

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. Wappner – First. Ms. Kearns – Second. None abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

Roll Call

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

The Board returned from private session at 10:35 am.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2015-382-BE100, Thomas D. Watson, EMS Certificate Number 110628, the Board finds clear and convincing evidence that Respondent's continued practice as an emergency medical technician, at any level, presents a danger of immediate and serious harm to the public and that the certificate holder has been convicted of a felony. Specifically, on June 9, 2016, Respondent was convicted of Attempted Felonious Assault, a third-degree felony; in violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 2923.02 and 2903.11(A)(1); in the Court of Common Pleas, Wood County, Ohio, Case No. 15 CR 290. Respondent is also in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Section 4765-10-03(B)(2)(a). Therefore, the Board hereby Orders that the Respondent's certificate to practice in the State of Ohio, at any level, be SUSPENDED pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 4765.112. Furthermore, the Board hereby orders the issuance of a notice of opportunity for hearing. Ms. Simon – First. Mr. Snyder – Second. None opposed. Mr. Allenstein and Mr. Resanovich - abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2016-384-E100, Joshua M. Gift, EMS Certificate Number 139870, the Board finds clear and convincing evidence that Respondent's continued practice as an emergency medical technician presents a danger of immediate and serious harm to the public and that the certificate holder has been convicted of a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude. Specifically, on July 18, 2016, in the Brown County Municipal Court, Georgetown, Ohio, Case No. CRB1600261, Mr. Gift was convicted of Sexual Imposition, a first-degree misdemeanor, in violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 2907.06(A)(4). Respondent was designated by the court a sex offender and is registered as a Tier I Sex Offender. Respondent is also in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Section 4765-10-03(B)(2)(c). Additionally, the Respondent failed to report and provide documentation of his conviction(s) in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Section 4765-9-01(M). Therefore, the Board hereby Orders that the Respondent's certificate to practice in the State of Ohio, at any level, be **SUSPENDED pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 4765.112. Furthermore, the Board hereby orders the issuance of a notice of opportunity for hearing. Ms. Simon – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None opposed. Mr. Allenstein and Mr. Resanovich - abstained. Motion approved.**

Goldman Proceedings

Ms. Harris, Chair of the State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services called the proceedings to order at 10:39 a.m. on October 19, 2016 at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio. Members of the Board present for the proceedings were:

Roll Call

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

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

- EMS Case Number 2015-336-E300, Roland. D. Pavlik, II, EMS Certificate Number 72916
- EMS Case Number 2015-434-E300, Joseph T. Fassel, EMS Certificate Number 161660
- EMS Case Number 2015-467-E300, Richard J. Krupar, EMS Certificate Number 30143
- EMS Case Number 2015-645-E300, Richard K. Rohr, EMS Certificate Number 161038
- EMS Case Number 2016-178-E500, Isaac Transportation, LLC, Service Code 77-563-5

The proceeding was an affidavit-based adjudication relative to the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing mailed to the respondent 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, these proceedings were 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 proceedings 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 Rico Barrera for the purpose of providing a brief synopsis of the case and the recommendation for disciplinary action.

- **EMS Case Number 2015-336-E300, Roland. D. Pavlik, II, EMS Certificate Number 72916.** Mr. Pavlik holds an EMT Basic certificate. The Division conducted a random audit of his continuing education records and Mr. Pavlik did not respond despite multiple methods of communication by Division staff. To date, Mr. Pavlik has not completed his continuing education as he certified on his renewal application in 2015. The recommendation is to revoke Mr. Pavlik's certificate to practice.
- **EMS Case Number 2015-434-E300, Joseph T. Fassel, EMS Certificate Number 161660.** The Division conducted a random audit of Mr. Fassel's continuing education hours and initially he responded by requesting a one-week extension. The Division did not receive a response. To date, Mr. Fassel has not completed his CE as he certified on his renewal in 2015. The recommendation is to revoke Mr. Fassel's certificate to practice.
- **EMS Case Number 2015-467-E300, Richard J. Krupar, EMS Certificate Number 30143.** Mr. Krupar holds an EMT Basic certificate. The Division conducted a random audit of his continuing education records; however, there was no response from Mr. Krupar despite multiple methods of communication by the Division. To date, he has not verified that he has completed the continuing education as he certified on his renewal in 2015. The recommendation is to revoke Mr. Fassel's certificate to practice.
- **EMS Case Number 2015-645-E300, Richard K. Rohr, EMS Certificate Number 161038.** Mr. Rohr holds an EMT Basic certificate. The Division conducted a random audit of his continuing education records; however, Mr. Rohr did not respond to the multiple methods of communication by the Division. To date, he has not verified that he has completed the continuing education as he certified on his renewal in 2015. The recommendation is to revoke Mr. Rohr's certificate to practice.
- **EMS Case Number 2016-178-E500, Isaac Transportation, LLC, Service Code 77-563-5.** Isaac Transportation, LLC is licensed as a non-emergency medical transportation service that applied for renewal. On July 1, 2016, the Division conducted an inspection of their vehicles. One vehicle was out of service and another did not pass inspection due to the lack of operational turn signals or air conditioning. Upon reinspection a week later, the first vehicle was still out of service and the second vehicle still did not have air conditioning. At that point, the Division reached out to conduct another follow up investigation; however, the company did not respond. The recommendation is to deny Isaac Transportation's renewal application.

Each Board member received the affidavits of the case prior to the meeting to review, and AAG Barerra briefly presented a summary of the cases where no hearing was requested.

Having heard AAG Barerra's synopses and recommended disciplinary actions for the cases, Ms. Harris 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. Dutton – First. Mr. Wright – Second. None opposed. Motion approved.

There being no further evidence to come before the Board, the proceedings closed at 10:44 a.m.

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

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

Roll Call

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

The Board returned from private session at 10:49 a.m.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2015-336-E300, Roland. D. Pavlik, II, EMS Certificate Number 72916, the Board moves to table the case. Ms. Simon – First. Dr. Schwartz – Second. None opposed. Mr. Allenstein and Mr. Resanovich– abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2015-434-E300, Joseph T. Fassel, EMS Certificate Number 161660, the Board finds that Mr. Fassel failed to document the continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements; therefore he failed to meet the renewal requirements, in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(3), 47658-06(B)(3) and 4765-15-03; therefore, the Board moves to revoke Mr. Fassel's certificate to practice. Ms. Simon – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None opposed. Mr. Allenstein and Mr. Resanovich– abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2015-467-E300, Richard J. Krupar, EMS Certificate Number 30143, the Board finds that Mr. Krupar failed to document the continuing education and instruction requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements; therefore he failed to meet the renewal requirements, in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-02(K), and 4765-18-06; therefore, the Board moves to revoke Mr. Krupar’s certificate to teach. Ms. Simon – First. Ms. Kearns – Second. None opposed. Mr. Allenstein and Mr. Resanovich– abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2015-645-E300, Richard K. Rohr, EMS Certificate Number 161038, the Board finds that Mr. Rohr failed to document the continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements; therefore he failed to meet the renewal requirements in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(3) and 4765-12-03; therefore, the Board moves to revoke Mr. Rohr’s certificate to practice. Ms. Simon – First. Mr. Wright – Second. None opposed. Mr. Allenstein and Mr. Resanovich– abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2016-178-E500, Isaac Transportation, LLC, Service Code 77-563-5, the Board finds that Respondent failed to meet renewal requirements, in violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4765.08(A)(2)&(3); therefore the Board moves to deny the renewal and revoke Isaac Transportation’s license to operate an ambulance service. Ms. Simon – First. Mr. Snyder – Second. None opposed. Mr. Allenstein and Mr. Resanovich– 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) at 10:54 a.m. Dr. Schwartz– First. Mr. Tallman– Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Roll Call

Ms. Deanna Harris (Chair)	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Mr. Thomas Allenstein (V.Chair)	Present	Ms. Julie Rose	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Dr. Hamilton Schwartz	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Ms. Diane Simon	Present
Ms. Beth Calcidise	Absent	Mr. George B. Snyder	Present
Mr. Jim Davis (arrived 11:44 am)	Absent	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Present
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. Thomas Wappner	Present
Mr. Steven Jones	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright II	Present
Ms. Susan Kearns	Present		

The Board returned from private session at 11:09 a.m.

ACTION: Motion to accept the following Consent Agreements. Ms. Simon – First. Mr. Wappner– Second. Mr. Allenstein and Mr. Resanovich– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2013-710-E300	2016-71-BE300	2016-155-E100	2016-443-E100
2015-661-E300	2016-79-BE100	2016-412-E300	

ACTION: Motion to close the following cases. The following cases have been recommended to be closed 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. Ms. Simon – First. Mr. Wright - Second. Mr. Allenstein and Mr. Resanovich– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2012-655-BE100	2016-105-E500	2016-329-BE100
2013-616-E300	2016-173-BE100	2016-442-E500

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. Ms. Simon – First. Mr. Wright – Second. Mr. Allenstein and Mr. Resanovich– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2015-534-E300 *Rescind NOH	2016-408-E300	2016-411-E300
2016-193-E300 *Rescind NOH	2016-409-E300	2016-474-E300
2016-318-E300	2016-410-E300	2016-689-E300 *Rescind NOH

ACTION: Motion to close the following cases, individuals did not supply required documentation; therefore, their applications were rendered incomplete. Ms. Simon – First. Dr. Schwartz– Second. Mr. Allenstein and Mr. Resanovich – Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2016-379-E100

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

2013-33-E100	2013-645-E300	2016-134-BE100
2013-176-BE100	2014-58-E300	2016-340-E100
2013-552-E300	2015-666-BE100	2016-344-BE100
2013-577-E300	2016-16-BE100	2016-356-E100
2013-640-E300	2016-66-E100	

ACTION: Motion to issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing with permission to negotiate a consent agreement in the following cases. Ms. Simon – First. Dr. Schwartz – Second. Mr. Allenstein, Mr. Jones, and Mr. Resanovich– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2015-185-E500
 2016-434-E500

ACTION: Motion to issue Notices of Opportunity for Hearings for the following cases.
 Ms. Simon – First. Mr. Wright – Second. Mr. Allenstein and Mr. Resanovich– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2013-141-E100	2016-30-E300	2016-315-E300
2015-54-E100	2016-255-E100	2016-319-E300
2015-59-BE100 & 2016-403-BE100	2016-263-E300	2016-369-E300
2015-487-E300	2016-288-E300	2016-377-E500
2015-576-E300	2016-293-E300	2016-381-E300
2015-711-E300	2016-299-E300	2016-382-E300
		2016-395-E300

ACTION: Motion to rescind Notice of Opportunity for Hearing and continue with terms of the consent agreement. Ms. Simon – First. Mr. Wright – Second. Mr. Allenstein and Mr. Resanovich – Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2013-450-BE100

ACTION: Motion to grant a 180 day extension to the consent agreement. Ms. Simon – First. Mr. Snyder – Second. Mr. Allenstein and Mr. Resanovich – Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2014-131-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.
 Ms. Simon – First. Mr. Wappner – Second. Mr. Allenstein and Mr. Resanovich– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2016-185-E100	2016-430-BE100	2016-471-E100
2016-339-BE100	2016-431-E100	2016-485-BE100
2016-417-E100	2016-432-BE100	2016-489-E100
2016-418-E100	2016-444-E100	2016-491-BE100
2016-421-E300	2016-445-E100	2016-492-BE100
2016-424-E100	2016-448-BE100	2016-493-BE100
2016-426-E100	2016-450-E100	2016-497-BE100
2016-427-E500	2016-451-BE100	2016-502-E100
2016-428-BE100	2016-453-BE100	2016-503-E100
2016-429-BE100	2016-468-E100	2016-511-E100

REPORTS:

Chair Report, Deanna Harris

Ms. Harris reported that the EMFTS Board meeting will be held December 14, 2016. The meeting is a week earlier due to the holidays.

Ms. Harris thanked everyone for all the well wishes and concern after her car accident.

Ms. Harris requested that each committee document their accomplishments for the year to present at the December meeting. The work done at the committee level needs to be taken back to the Board members' respective organizations.

The EMFTS Board retreat will be held on February 14, 15 & 16 with any committees that would like to meet to do so in the morning of February 14, 2017.

EMFTS Board members reported that a state ID is required in order to receive the state rate for the hotel. Executive Director House will follow-up on obtaining a state ID for the Board members.

State EMS Medical Director Report, Dr. Carol Cunningham

An application from Dr. Naa Adorkor Allotey has applied for membership with the Regional Physician Advisory Board for Region 5. Dr. Cunningham requested a motion to approve Dr. Allotey's RPAB membership for Region 5.

ACTION: Motion to approve Dr. Naa Adorko Allotey for RPAB membership for Region 5.
Dr. Schwartz – First. Ms. Kearns– Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

RPAB Regions 7 and 8 are still in need of RPAB membership. The next annual All-Member RPAB meeting is scheduled for November 10, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. The RPAB Chairpersons meeting will be held immediately following the All-Member RPAB meeting.

Dr. Cunningham reported that she has elected not to renew her membership with ACEP, and commended the work of the Ohio chapter of ACEP. She noted that ACEP membership is not contractually required for the position of State Medical Director.

A conference call was held at the Ohio Department of Health. Ohio was one of the states awarded a CDC grant for the next phase of the Coverdell Stroke project. This leg of their project is targeting the rates of pre-notification of hospitals by EMS in an effort to improve the patient outcomes of stroke victims. The national goal determined by the CDC project team is 80% for pre-notification of hospitals by EMS. Ohio is currently at 70%. Dr. Cunningham asked the Board members to inform their respective stakeholder organizations about this grant as Ohio has a relatively small percentage gap to achieve the project's national goal for pre-notification initiated by EMS providers.

Dr. Cunningham shared several Ohio Department of Public Safety Initiatives with the Board for the purpose of awareness. First responders, specifically those in law enforcement have naloxone stores that are approaching the expiration dates. The Division of EMS has provided options to them which includes a list of volunteer and rural EMS agencies, local public health agencies and free clinics, and information on regions within the state with higher naloxone needs due to fentanyl and carfentanil for considered sites or regions for transfer their soon-to-be expired naloxone assets. The other initiative is a training module for basic life-saving care delivery in the event of active shooter incidents or hostile threat scenarios.

The fall NASEMSO meeting was held in Albuquerque, Mexico in September. The Medical Director's Council drafted a resolution to support the use of the data elements in CARES as the national standard prehospital data set for cardiac arrests. This was approved by the NASEMSO Board of Directors.

Also finalized was the ACEP's update of the Role of the State Medical Director position paper that was endorsed by the NASEMSO Board of Directors.

In the NASEMSO general meeting a resolution to support FirstNet (First Responder Network Authority) was passed. EMS Compass released a vendor guide for NEMSIS readiness. Also released is the “State Model Rules for Regulation of the Air Medical Services”. Dr. Cunningham suggested that the Critical Care Committee might want to review this document.

The “Coordinated Medical Operations for High Threat Operational Scenarios”, which was presented by Dr. Reed Smith, Dr. Rich Kamin, and Dr. Cunningham, received the highest rank in the evaluations of all of the breakout sessions.

The National EMS Advisory Council (NEMSAC) will meet December 1-2, 2016. The FICEMS meeting will be held December 2, 2016. The NEMSAC advisories will be posted to the Federal Register at least 10 days prior to the meeting for public comments. Advisories include but are not limited to:

- Alignment of the *EMS Education Agenda for the Future* and the *National EMS Scope of Practice Model* with the current practice of EMS
- Transition of EMS providers to more formalized educational and credentialing process
- A Practice Analysis of Community Paramedics and Mobile Integrated Healthcare Systems; A method to determine the need for a new specialty care-focused scope of practice, education standard, and standardized data dictionary.

Dr. Cunningham reported that she presented *The Pulse of Public Health in Homeland Security* at the Center for Homeland Defense and Security. She also presented to the CHDS’ master’s degree candidates at the Global Borders College.

EMS Legal Counsel, Michael Wise

Mr. Wise reported that after the EMFTS Board approves the motion on a disciplinary case, the Board cannot be posted on the EMS Website. That person is still able to practice until the Board Order is signed by the EMFTS Chair and journalized. Logistically the process requires three to ten business days to complete. At that time the discipline can be posted on the EMS website. A discussion ensued regarding the number of days until discipline cases are posted.

ACTION: Motion for the EMFTS Board approve the filing of Chapter 4765-5 (Grants) of the Administrative Code with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review, the Legislative Service commission, and the Secretary of State. Ms. Simon – First. Mr. Wappner– Second. None opposed. Mr. Davis - abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: Motion for the EMFTS Board approve the filing of Chapter 4766-2 (Ambulances) of the Administrative Code with the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review, the Legislative Service commission, and the Secretary of State. Ms. Simon – First. Ms. Rose– Second. None opposed. Mr. Davis - abstained. Motion approved.

Assistant Attorney General, Rico Barrera

Mr. Barerra reported that there is no active litigation at this time and he continues to work with Mr. Wise and the Division of EMS.

Executive Director and Staff Reports, Melvin House

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

- Nominations were received for expiring seats and sent to Governor for appointment
- Six EMFTS Board seats expire on November 12, 2016. In accordance with ORC 4765.02 “members shall continue in office subsequent to the expiration date of the member's term

until the member's successor takes office, or until a period of sixty days has elapsed, whichever occurs first." Nominations have been forwarded to the Governor's Office for appointment consideration. Board seats will need to be filled by January 11, 2017 in order to ensure a quorum, necessary to conduct business.

- Vacant expired seats (November 12, 2015)
 - Trauma Surgeon (Seat #2)
 - EMS Provider (Seat #10)
 - EMS Provider (Seat #14)

Staff Vacancy Status

- *Program Administrator 2 – Fire/Education Section.* Jack Smith
- *Program Administrator 3 – Education and Testing Section Chief.* John Molnar
- *Human Service Program Consultant – Trauma & Research.* Job offer tendered.
- *Program Administrator 2 – Trauma and Research.* Reclassifying position.

DEMS Database Projects*

- EMS Course Administration/Education Phase 1 Module – December 2016
- Grants Administration Module – December 2016
- CE Tracking System Status – Discontinued December 2016
- January 2017 – Education Phase II and Medical Transportation

Legislation

- ORC 4765 Budget Bill Submissions
- Legislative Issues
 - Titles – language will allow both titles but identify national titles in the definition section 4765.01 and 4765.11 (EMT, AEMT, ect.)
 - 4765.06 – Ohio is one of a couple states not reporting to NEMSIS due to current legislation and language is being built into the current legislation to allow Ohio to report.
 - 4765.11 – Change is to permit certificate holders to work in the field under protocol. The current verbiage is from 1970's and requires direct communication with a physician. The change will permit our certificate holders to perform emergency medical services pursuant to written protocols approved by a physician.
 - 4765.42 – The medical director language requested in legislation is that each emergency medical service organization will be required to report who is the current medical director, register with the EMFTS Board, and to report a change in a medical director, who must meet the minimum qualifications to the Division of EMS in writing.
 - 4766.04 and 4766.07 – the KKK specifications are currently being used for ambulance construction and followed when the equipment is inspected. The new language will also allow compliance with the following:
 - A developed American national standard for ambulance construction, approved by the American National Standards Institute, ANSI, in effect at the time the ambulance was manufactured.

Executive Director House reported that not all of the legislative needs have been addressed in the legislation and will be discussed at the EMFTS Board retreat in February 2017.

The EMS Division received the Ohio Society of Trauma Nurse Leaders (OSTNL) position paper and was included in the board packet to all board members. A response is being drafted and will be sent to the board members at a later time.

Every Board member is required to complete Ethics Training before the end of 2016.

Ms. Harris stated that on the EMS website Ask EMS and Ask State Medical Director is an appropriate avenue in which to ask questions.

EMS Legislative Liaison, Dan Fitzpatrick

Mr. Fitzpatrick reported that the General Assembly has not returned for any sessions. They will return for the lame duck session after the election. There are two bills pending regarding body cameras; however, it is not expected for either of the bills to move forward. The MOLST bill, Senate Bill 165, has not been referred to committee in the House. The updated list of legislation was sent to the Board members regarding the bills and the actions. The Division of EMS and the Ohio Department of Public Safety will be discussing any issues regarding bills or actions happening in legislation.

EMS Certification, Extensions & Exemption Requests, Jean Booze

Jean Booze reported that there were 36 EMS extension requests for August 2016 and in September 2016 there were 48 EMS extension requests totally 84 EMS extension requests. The staff recommends approval and requests a motion to ratify the extensions.

ACTION: Motion to ratify EMS extension requests from August 2016 and September 2016.

Ms. Kearns – First. Mr. Jones– Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Jean Booze reported that the new EMS certifications for August 2016 is 1,541 and 1,277 for September 2016. The total for August and September are 2,818 new EMS certifications. The staff recommends approval and requests a motion to ratify new certifications.

ACTION: Motion to ratify the new EMS certifications for June and July 2016. Ms. Kearns– First.

Ms. Beavers – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Jean Booze reported on the CE exemption requests. There is one dual certified medical exemption request; 2016-10-1, for a paramedic. All medical documentation was received for this request. Staff recommends approval and requests a motion to approve.

ACTION: Motion to approve the medical CE exemption requests for 2016-10-1. Mr. Jones – First.

Mr. Wappner – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

EMS Education, Linda Mirarchi

Ms. Mirarchi reported that the Collins Career Center is requesting an accreditation renewal. The staff recommends approval.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Accreditation renewal of the Collins Career Center.

Ms. Kearns – First. Dr. Schwartz – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Ms. Mirarchi reported that there are currently 39 Paramedic Training Programs, 26 CAAHEP, and 13 CoA Letter of Review.

Medical Transportation – Dave Fiffick

Dave Fiffick presented the list of Medical Transportation renewal applications with expiration dates of August, September, October and November 2016. 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, October and November 2016; pending a satisfactory inspection.

Dr. Tallman – First. Mr. Jones– Second. None opposed. Ms. Kearns and Mr. Snyder (St. Elizabeth, Med Star EMS, CAS Ambulance), Ms. Simon (Promedica Transportation), Mr. Allenstein (Ohio Medical Transportation and Medicare Ambulance), Mr. Wappner (Medic Response Ambulance), and Mr. Appelhans (Hanco EMS)- Abstained. Motion approved.

Dave Fiffick presented the list of Medical Transportation new service applications, (13 ambulettes and 1 ambulance). Staff is requesting a motion and approval pending a satisfactory inspection.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Medical Transportation new service applications for 13 ambulettes and one ambulance; pending a satisfactory inspection. Mr. Dutton – First. Mr. Jones - Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

Dave Fiffick presented the list of new Medical Transportation satellite location applications (4 ambulette, 5 ambulance and 1 air medical). Staff is requesting a motion for approval pending a satisfactory inspection.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Medical Transportation new satellite location applications (4 ambulettes and 5 ambulances); pending a satisfactory inspection. Mr. Wappner – First. Mr. Snyder – Second. Ms. Rose (Community Care Ambulance), Mr. Jones, (Community Care Ambulance) -abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

EMS-Children Committee, Joe Stack

The EMS-C committee met October 18, 2016 regarding EMSC Performance Measures. Dr. Naa Allotey, Project Director for the Ohio EMS for Children Partnership Grant, wrote an article about the new EMSC Performance Measure concerning Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinators at the EMS agency level which was shared on the EMS listserv last month. The article generated many responses about what duties would be included for this position, and more information will be release in the near future. Dr. Allotey and Joe Stack are working on a new article and data infographic concerning another new performance measure which is skill testing for the proper use of pediatric equipment.

The Ohio Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Coalition met on September 28, 2016. The Coalition is developing guidelines for dealing with unaccompanied minors during a disaster. In addition, Dr. Deanna Dahl-Grove has developed a website with best practices for caring for children during a

disaster, which will be shared on the Ohio EMSC website. The Coalition is continuing work on increasing pediatric capacity for emergency care of children.

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 available through the Ohio EMS for Children website. Other injury prevention institutions have been invited to provide expertise to the modules. ODPS staff will meet with Dr. Leonard and her staff in the next few weeks.

Stephen Belville and MaryAnn Forrester have applied for membership on the EMS for Children Committee, have been cleared by EMS staff; and were recommended for approval by the Board.

ACTION: Motion to add MaryAnn Forrester and Stephen Belville to the EMS-Children Committee. Dr. Schwartz - First. Mr. Dutton– Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

EMS-C has recently changed a lot of performance measures for its grant. The focus for EMS agencies changed from merely having pediatric equipment to being competent in the utilization of the equipment. Specifically, EMS agencies will be asked how they demonstrate competency with pediatric equipment in the following ways: 1) how often providers demonstrate their psychomotor skills via skill stations; 2) how often they demonstrate skills via a simulated event; 3) how often they demonstrate skills during a field encounter. In light of these changes, our EMSC Committee requests that the Board consider giving priority grant funding to support departments contracting with simulation services to provide high-quality hands-on pediatric prehospital skills training and competency assessment.

EMS System Development Committee

Ms. Harris reported that Rob Jackson spoke to the committee regarding dispatch concerns. Mr. Jackson has agreed to present at the EMFTS Board retreat in February 2017.

The committee had a discussion regarding CARES registry and how to implement CARES. There are currently fire departments who use CARES and working with hospitals. Discussion continued on how to implement on a state level.

A legislative change is needed to report to NEMSIS and is a concern of the committee.

The draft of the State of Ohio 2015 Annual Report was included in the Board packet. Discussions ensued at the committee meeting regarding this report and the EMFTS Board had a lengthy discussion. It was decided that in order to have accurate data all agencies need to report. It was agreed to list those who are the contributors versus who does not contribute. The Board will discuss this further at the February Board retreat.

Ms. Harris requested that Susan Kearns be added to the EMS System Development Committee.

ACTION: Motion to add Susan Kearns to the EMS System Development Committee. Mr. Dutton - First. Ms. Beavers– Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

Homeland Security Subcommittee, Mark Resanovich

Mr. Resanovich reported that the Homeland Security Subcommittee received final approval from Ohio Department of Health for the CHEMPACK program. Eight different educational plans have

been developed for all stakeholders. The Power Point presentations will be finalized in the near future.

Brian Byrd resigned from the Homeland Security Subcommittee.

ACTION: Motion to add Susan Kearns to the EMS System Development Committee. Mr. Dutton - First. Ms. Beavers– Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

ACTION: Motion to remove Brian Byrd from the Homeland Security Subcommittee due to his resignation. Mr. Resanovich - First. Mr. Dutton– Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

Active Shooter Response Ad-hoc Committee, Mark Resanovich

The Active Shooter Response Ad-hoc Committee met and the Ohio State Highway Patrol, Hancock County, and Auglaize County shared their programs. The rescue task force power point was reviewed by the committee. The Hancock County program is very impressive. The next meeting will be November 10, 2016.

Mr. Resanovich requested that Ms. Beavers be added to the Active Shooter Response Ad-hoc Committee.

ACTION: Motion to add Karen Beavers to the Active Shooter Response Ad-hoc Committee. Mr. Resanovich - First. Ms. Kearns– Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

EMS Rural Committee, Karen Beavers

Ms. Beavers reported that did not have a meeting on October 18, 2016.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2016.

EMS Education Committee, George Snyder

Mr. Snyder reported that they did not have a meeting on October 18, 2016.

Mr. Snyder requested that Steven Harrison be removed from the EMS Education Committee due to his resignation.

ACTION: Motion to remove Steven Harrison from the EMS Education Committee due to his resignation. Mr. Snyder - First. Dr. Tallman– Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

Mr. Snyder requested that Susan Kearns be named Vice Chair of the EMS Education Committee.

ACTION: Motion to add Ms. Susan Kearns as the Vice Chair of the EMS Education Committee. Mr. Snyder - First. Ms. Beavers– Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2016.

Medical Oversight Committee, Geoff Dutton

Mr. Dutton reported that the MOC met October 18, 2016.

Mr. Dutton requested to remove Bill Longworth from the Medical Oversight Committee.

ACTION: Motion to remove Bill Longworth from the Medical Oversight Committee.

Mr. Resanovich - First. Mr. Davis– Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

The MOC had a discussion regarding the scope of practice and the transport of patients with central or peripheral IV access. After much discussion the committee unanimously recommended to amend the scope of practice to allow EMT Basics to transport patients with central or peripheral IV access established if:

- 1) There is no IV infusion
- 2) The patient is being transported to sub-acute care (rehabilitation center, nursing home, transitional care, assisted living); or to a scheduled event (dialysis, doctor appointment, laboratory, radiology, outpatient procedure, rehabilitation); or is being discharged home.

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding this change in the scope of practice.

Mr. Dutton moved to amend the scope of practice to allow EMT Basics to transport patients with central or peripheral IV access established if:

- 1) There is no IV infusion
- 2) The patient is being transported to sub-acute care (rehabilitation, nursing home, transitional care, assisted living); or to a scheduled event (dialysis, doctor appointment, laboratory, radiology, outpatient procedure, rehabilitation); or is being discharged home.

ACTION: Motion for approval to amend the scope of practice to allow EMT Basics to transport patients with central or peripheral IV access established if:

1) There is no IV infusion

2) The patient is being transported to sub-acute care (rehabilitation, nursing home, transitional care, assisted living); or to a scheduled event (dialysis, doctor appointment, laboratory, radiology, outpatient procedure, rehabilitation); or is being discharged home.

Mr. Snyder - First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

Mr. Wise, EMS legal counsel, reported that once the change is incorporated into the Ohio EMS scope of practice matrix and posted on the EMS website per Ohio Administrative Code 4765-6-01(B) then the amended Ohio EMS scope of practice becomes effective at that time.

ACTION: Medical Oversight Committee is responsible for providing the amended Ohio EMS scope of practice matrix to the Division of EMS staff for posting to the DEMS website.

Mr. Dutton reported receipt of a letter and documentation from Dr. Paul Zeeb requesting whether a plan for a community paramedic program is within the existing scope of practice. A discussion ensued as to whether this was within the Board's authority and it was decided that Dr. Cunningham would review the document and provide feedback regarding the scope of practice.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2016.

Trauma Committee, Diane Simon

The Trauma Committee is working on the registry. The position statement from OSTNL is an excellent guideline for the most perfect registry.

An all day summit will be held to set up a new document that will guide the scoring for the Model System Trauma Plan. There has been a 33% in our scoring; however, most of the benchmarks have been completed.

Ms. Simon reported that Ohio has become known as a great harvesting state for organs. Many people are coming to Ohio for organs because we have an abundance due to the motorcycle laws; the lack of helmet laws. The Trauma Committee would like to bring a recommendation to the EMFTS Board where new legislation offers the opportunity to pursue a graduated helmet law where every new recipient of a motorcycle endorsement is mandated no matter what age they are to wear a helmet.

It was suggested to reach out to the Motorcycle Ohio at the Ohio Department of Public Safety for data and more information regarding the helmet laws in Ohio.

EMS Star of Life Awards, Dr. Thomas Tallman

The committee has not met; however, work will begin on the 2017 EMS Star of Life Awards ceremony in the near future. Ohio ACEP will meet in December and approve the application.

Trauma Committee, Diane Simon

Ms. Simon reported that the committee met on July 13, 2016. Northside Medical Center in Youngstown, a level III trauma center, is closing as a trauma center. There are 11 Level I, 16 Level II, and 21 Level III trauma centers in Ohio. The impact to the community should be minimal due to the location of St. Elizabeth Hospital within one mile.

Work on the registry conversion is diligently being done to solve the issues. Per the Ohio Revised Code every hospital in the state submits data to the trauma registry. In 2015, 168 hospitals submitted data and in 2016 there were only 82 hospitals that submitted data. There is a glitch that is occurring at the regional level. The regional registries are important; however, many of the hospitals are not getting any data sent to the state. It is a high priority to resolve this issue. A conference call has been scheduled to bring the vendors together to fix the problem.

A reassessment of the Model Trauma Plan showed great improvements in many areas. The goal groups will review the results and create new tasks to make even more improvements.

OLD BUSINESS

EMS Grant Program

Executive Director House reminded the EMFTS Board that several years ago the ODPS project team reviewed the grants program and identified a number of issues. Specifically a number of agencies that did not expend their funds would spend money on gloves. Therefore, the Board took some action and moved to begin to change the program so that grant funds are directed toward items that have a significant positive impact on patient care paired with EMS agency need. Phase 1 was completed this last cycle which included the online grants application system and processes and penalties to move the grant program forward. For example the supplemental grants, identified Board priorities and capnography are examples of target purchases that will be impactful to patient outcomes and to meet the needs of economically challenged EMS agencies. Phase 2 is beginning which will split the grant cycle into two separate grant allocations so that unspent money can be reallocated before the expiration of the grant cycle.

Ms. Pickett distributed the timeline for the 2017-2018 Priority 1 grants. There are many agencies that do not spend all of their funds and there are some that did not submit any requests for reimbursement. As the Board begins to change the grants program one of the ways to recapture these funds is to split the grants cycle into two cycles. The timeline would be issue an award as usual on July 1st and to shorten that cycle to end on December 31st allowing a month to reimburse any requests. The unspent dollars that were allocated would be diverted into the supplemental funds. The supplemental fund allocations were started last year and, as a result, eight agencies purchased waveform capnography and an additional \$5,000 was awarded for economic hardship. Most of the agencies purchased the Lucas® CPR assisted device. The total for the funding \$323,844.00. The concept is to move more to the needs-based model and find ways to help agencies who have a greater need and allow them to purchase items for which they would not normally have funding.

Mr. Resonovich requested a motion to accept the Priority 1 grant timeline for 2017-2018.

ACTION: Motion for approval to accept the Priority 1 grant timeline for 2017-2018. Mr. Resonovich- First. Mr. Dutton– Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

Priority 1

Each year the Priority 1 grant closes out the grant cycle with a remaining unspent balance. In previous years that amount has exceeded \$300,000. In an effort to reduce this unspent balance, the DEMS staff reaches out to grantees throughout the year to remind them of deadlines, and to encourage the submission of reimbursement requests. Despite these efforts paired with grant award reduction, or denial to agencies with remaining balances of \$300 or more, the grant cycle continues to close each year with an unspent balance. As a result, the grant's staff requests a motion for shortening the annual grant cycle. This will allow EMS to recapture the unspent dollars and reallocate them prior to June 30th.

ACTION: Motion for approval to shorten the annual grant cycle to allow EMS to recapture unspent dollars and reallocate prior to June 30th. Mr. Dutton- First. Mr. Snyder – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

Priority 1 – Supplemental Board Priorities

The supplemental fund Board priority grant currently provides funding for the acquisition of 12-lead heart monitors with waveform capnography, a target initiative as identified by the EMFTS Board. For the SFY 2017-2018 Board Priority grant, the grant's staff is seeking guidance on whether or not additional equipment items, or training should be identified. A discussion ensued regarding suggestions as to specific equipment or training.

ACTION: Motion for approval to provide Priority Grant funding to support departments contracting with simulation services to provide high-quality hands-on pediatric prehospital skills training and competency assessment. Dr. Schwartz - First. Mr. Allenstein – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

ACTION: Motion for approval to raise the funding from \$323,000 to \$360,000. Mr. Resanovich - First. Mr. Allenstein – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

Priority 2-5 Research Grants

With guidance from the ODPS legal division and the research and analysis staff, the grant's staff has begun to explore ways to improve the Priority 2-5 research grants for the SFY 201702018 grant cycle. In an effort to fund quality research projects, the grant's staff intends to release a Request for Information (RFI) for research topic ideas that meet the scope of research for the Priority 2-5 grants. Upon receipt, and with guidance from the Board, the grant's staff will then select the topics of focus and then proceed to create and release an RFI. Topics of interest can be submitted by anyone, including members of the EMFTS Board.

During the December meeting the grant's staff will present the new grants re-write system.

Ms. Pickett reported that the grant's staff received a request from Gorham-Fayette Fire Department for the addition of a medication cooler to be added to the grant list of approved items. Medications that require refrigeration are stored in this cooler during transport.

ACTION: Motion for approval to add a medication cooler to the grant list of approved items. Mr. Wright - First. Mr. Snyder – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Executive Director House reported that the National Registry has adjusted their policy in such a manner that if one reports convictions during the submission process for the Registry, the applicant is subject to review. The review process takes about 45 days and, in some instances, it has delayed EMS providers from obtaining employment. Executive Director House and DEMS legal counsel, Mr. Wise, met with Executive Director of the National Registry. Mr. Wise reported that the National Registry is preventing people from taking the test. Under Ohio law, anyone who is prevented from taking the test has a right to a hearing. Executive Director House stated that the Division will continue to monitor this issue.

Ms. Harris requested nominations for Chairperson. Mr. Resanovich nominated Mr. Allenstein.

ACTION: Motion to nominate Mr. Tom Allenstein for EMFTS Chairperson for 2017. Mr. Resanovich - First. Dr. Schwartz– Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

No other nominations were received.

ACTION: Motion to close nominations for EMFTS Chairperson for 2017. Mr. Wright - First. Mr. Resanovich– Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

Ms. Harris requested nominations for Vice-Chairperson.

ACTION: Motion to nominate Mr. Dudley Wright for EMFTS Vice-Chairperson for 2017.

Mr. Resanovich - First. Mr. Dutton– Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

No other nominations were received.

ACTION: Motion to close nominations for EMFTS Vice-Chairperson for 2017.

Mr. Resanovich - First. Mr. Dutton– Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

It was reported that there is a concern regarding staffing shortages in the state and there has not been a venue to address this issue. It was suggested that the Board advocate giving grant monies through other state initiatives. Ms. Harris requested that if this is an issue the Board would like to discuss at the retreat in February.

ACTION: Add staffing shortages to the retreat agenda for February 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: Motion to adjourn. Ms. Beavers - First. Mr. Snyder – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

The meeting adjourned at 2:53 pm.

NEXT MEETING:

EMFTS Board Meeting, December 14, 2016, at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Conference Room 1106, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43223.