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**STATE BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 16, 2007**

Chaired by Carl Jordan

Board Meeting Date and Location: May 16th, 2007, Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43223

Board Members in Attendance: Mr. Mark Resanovich, Mr. Mark Marchetta, Mr. Mark Burgess, Mr. James Holcomb, Mr. David Fiffick, Ms. Charlene Mancuso, Dr. Wendy Pomerantz, Mr. Daryl McNutt, Dr. Jonathan Groner, Dr. Thomas Collins, Mr. James Davis, Mr. John Kubincanek, Mr. Mark Mankins, Ms. Pamela Bradshaw, Ms. Vickie Graymire, Mr. Michael Senter, Mr. William Vedra, and Mr. William Mallory

Board Members Absent: Dr. John Pakiela

Staff Members Present: Richard Rucker, Dr. Carol Cunningham, Karen Unver, Heather Reed Frient, Melissa Vermillion, Ellen Owens, John Kennington, Alan Boster, Tim Erskine, Carol MacDowell, Thomas Gwinn, Aleta Dodson, Thomas Macklin, Bob Ruetenik, Sue Morris, Joe Stack, Chuck Milam, and Jacqueline Tunson

Guest and Public Attendance: Laurie Bage

Mr. Jordan called the May 16, 2007 meeting to order at 10:50 a.m.

Roll Call

Mr. Carl Jordan	Here
Mr. Mark Resanovich	Here
Mr. Mark Marchetta	Here
Mr. Mark Burgess	Here
Mr. James Holcomb	Here
Mr. David Fiffick	Here
Ms. Charlene Mancuso	Here
Dr. Wendy Pomerantz	Here
Mr. Daryl McNutt	Here
Dr. Jonathan Groner	Here
Dr. Thomas Collins	Here
Mr. James Davis	Here

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Mr. John Kubincanek	Here
Mr. Mark Mankins	Here
Ms. Pamela Bradshaw	Here
Dr. John Pakiela	
Ms. Vickie Graymire	Here
Mr. Michael Senter	Here
Mr. William Vedra	Here
Mr. William Mallory	Here

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 18th, 2007 EMS BOARD MINUTES

ACTION: Motion to approve the April 18th, 2007 EMS Board minutes. Vedra first. Marchetta second. None opposed. Motion approved.

OPEN FORUM

No comments brought forward.

CHAIR'S REPORT, CARL JORDAN

Mr. Jordan abstained from proceeding at this time and would make his comments during the New Business section of the meeting. It will be concerning on-line continuing education online.

STATE EMS MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT, DR. CAROL CUNNINGHAM

Dr. Cunningham sent an e-mail to Board members regarding the Ohio Department of Health's DNR Comfort Care legislation as the ODH is accepting comments until May 28th, 2007. Dr. Cunningham wrote a response (attached in email) as she will be out of the country on vacation until May 27th. The day before the June Board meeting when committee meetings are normally held, Dr. C. will be attending the National Association of State EMS Officials mid-annual meeting. If you have anything for the committee meetings, please be sure it is mailed to her by May 15th so she has time to address it before she leaves for the conference. This conference is not in her contract, but as she has stated previously to the Board, she believes it is extremely important for her to attend as this is when the federal and national concerns are addressed. The RPAB Chair meeting was held on May 9th, and the addition of Duodote and hydroxocobalamin to the State of Ohio WMD Guidelines and Procedures manual was discussed.

Dr. C. stated that the manufacturers of the MARK 1 kits are no longer making them, but are now making Duodote kits. Dr. Cunningham would like to add the Duodote's to the WMD guidelines. In addition, hydroxocobalamin has been added to the treatment for cyanide as it has received FDA approval. She has reviewed the text and would like to add this to the cyanide protocol. Dr. Cunningham said the two medications have been added to the CHEMPACK education materials.

ACTION: Motion to approve adding the Duodote kits to the WMD guidelines and adding hydroxocobalamin text to the cyanide protocol. Burgess first. Marchetta

second. None opposed. Motion approved.

Dr. C. touched on the guidelines subject which carried over from the last meeting regarding restraint guideline. The Medical Oversight Committee felt the restraining guideline should stand as is. However, Ms. Reed-Frient edited the pages and drafted an introductory statement which can be used on all three documents in order to be consistent with the exception of the pediatric document which will have different wording specific to them. This was the only change recommended. The introductory state in the adult document should be amended to reflect the changes were made in 2007, not 2005.

ACTION: Motion to approve the changes as listed above to the restraint guideline. Resanovich first. Pomerantz second. None opposed. Motion approved.

Dr. Cunningham told the Board she would provide Director Rucker and the Board Secretary Jacqueline Tunson with emergency contact information while she is on vacation.

EMS LEGISLATIVE LIASON ASSISTANT, EMERALD HERNANDEZ

House Bill 212 is on docket for today, May 16th. The bill modifies staffing requirements for ambulances during emergency runs while transporting patients to require minimum standards for ambulance drivers. It would require a driver to be 18 years old, and the driver must qualify for Emergency Driving Course certification within one year. One person must be in ambulance (EMT-B, EMT-I, or EMT-P), but the driver does not need to be a licensed EMT. Discussion was held regarding the lack of language which would allow drivers who have been convicted of moral turpitude and/or sex felonies to be employed in that capacity. Ms. Hernandez said she will email the bill to the Board Secretary to forward to Board members. Ms. Hernandez clarified that this is not the same bill as Senate Bill 43. House Bill 145 which deals with EMT's and citizens on patrol is being reviewed. Ms. Hernandez requested the Board put together the language they would like to include in the bills and send them to her. She will then work with Ms. Reed-Frient and Director Rucker for inclusion. Ms. Reed-Frient inquired as to the status of HB 171 (which restricts all state boards from taking action on felonies and only allows action to be taken on criminal offenses relating to the practice of EMT/EMS) and HB 130 (which is similar in not allowing the Board to take action on a crime of moral turpitude or felony, but the criminal offense has to be substantially related to fitness for duty or ability to perform job duties).

Ms. Hernandez will distribute the drafts of these bills to Board members for their opinion and will look for input at next Board meeting regarding any changes of language, major issues, etc. Mr. Rucker indicated Ms. Hernandez will be slated to speak before the Board every month, and if there is a new bill or major development, she can submit the information to Jacqueline Tunson, Board Secretary for inclusion in Board packet.

*****Mr. Dave Fiffick left at 11:10 a.m.*****

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, KAREN UNVER

Ms. Unver introduced Tiffany Richardson, a summer intern with the AG's office who was in attendance. Ms. Unver is assigned as her mentor. Otherwise, there was no news to report.

EMS STAFF LEGAL COUNSEL, HEATHER REED FRIENT

Nothing to report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT, RICHARD RUCKER

ODH advised the Division of EMS that they could not grant an extension beyond June 30th to complete the deliverables. After a meeting with some of the HLS committee members, it was determined we would be unable to complete a significant amount of deliverables in the time allotted. Mr. Rucker presented Board members with a copy of the letter submitted to ODH in regard to the second part of the CHEMPACK HRSA grant which was presented to Director Guzman. Director Guzman scheduled a meeting with the Ohio Department of Health to discuss the MOU and the reasons the Division of EMS could not comply within the time restraints outlined. The Division of EMS sent the MOU to the ODH in November 2006, but did not receive a response from them until more than six months after submission.

Ms. Owens, Mr. Sands and Mr. Erskine have been working on the "On-line Trauma Triage Training Project". There are two separate issues being addressed: content and delivery. The content portion is the easy part. Working with pre-existing materials, they are sorting out the course with the goal of covering all aspects of the topic within one 2-hour session. Delivery is a more complicated issue. They have found a free delivery system (www.moodle.org) that is popular with educators and are studying how to get our content online. The real complication arises in determining the best method for testing the student and how to deliver CE certificates. Once the content portion of the project is completed, Mr. Erskine will review it with the Trauma Committee to ensure its validity and completeness. The committee is aware this is an urgent priority for the Board and will update them on progress.

Ms. Vermillion is working with IT to ensure that each Board Member is able to access the secure web page. She asked that Board members who previously unable to login to try again. If attempts are unsuccessful, please contact Ms. Vermillion.

Mr. Rucker provided the Board members with a copy of a newspaper article regarding the investigation of the Delaware Area Career Center's fire service program for their information.

Some EMS staff are participating A Race for the Cure this Saturday in support of EMS staff member Linda Mirachi. Please support the runners or walkers, or come down as Ms. Mirachi and her family will be attending.

STAFF REPORTS

● **Accreditations, Ellen Owens**

Initial Accreditations

	Name	County	Level(s)	Personnel
1.	MedCorp Training and Education Center	Lucas	FR, EMT-B, EMT-I, EMT-P	Program Director- Laurette Bage Medical Director- Dr. Martin Pontasch

ACTION: Motion to approve the above listed sites without contingencies. Senter first. Burgess second. None opposed. Motion approved.

	Name	County	Level(s)	Personnel
2.	Life EMS Academy	Scioto	FR, EMT-B	Program Director- Judy Boggs Medical Director – Dr. Wayne Wheeler

ACTION: Motion to approve the above listed sites without contingencies. Davis first. Collins second. None opposed. Bradshaw abstained. Motion approved.

Accreditation Renewals

	Accred #	Exp Date	Name	County	Level(s)
1.	116	1/31/2007	Knox County Career Center	Knox	EMT-B, EMT-I
2.	304	2/28/2007	Bethesda Hospital Paramedic Training Program	Hamilton	EMT-P
3.	132	1/31/2007	Wayne County Schools Career Center	Wayne	FR
	132	2/28/2007	Wayne County Schools Career Center	Wayne	EMT-B
4.	205	11/30/2006	Four County Career Center	Henry	FR, EMT-B, EMT-I

ACTION: Motion to approve the above listed sites without contingencies. Burgess first. Pomerantz second. None opposed. Motion approved.

Off-Site Training Requests

	Accred #	Name	County	Off-Site Location	County	Level(s)
1.	392	North Central EMS Academy	Erie	North Fairfield Fire Department	Huron	FR
				Camp Perry Training Site	Ottawa	FR
				Vermillion Twp Fire Department	Erie	FR
				North Central EMS-Port Clinton	Ottawa	FR

ACTION: Motion to approve the above listed sites without contingencies. Mankins first. Davis second. None opposed. Motion approved.

	Accred #	Name	County	Off-Site Location	County	Level(s)
2.	326	Sinclair Community College	Montgomery	SCC Englewood Learning Center	Montgomery	FR, EMT-B
				SCC Huber Heights Learning Center	Montgomery	FR, EMT-B

ACTION: Motion to approve the above listed sites without contingencies. Burgess first. Collins second. None opposed. Motion approved.

ACTION: Motion to verbally add off-site request for Sinclair Community College, who previously submitted their request, but was inadvertently left off the April Board meeting list. Burgess first. Collins second. None opposed. Motion approved.

Enter into the record the following cases in which the Board authorized the Assistant Attorney General to negotiate a Consent Agreement:

In the matter of Case #2006-519-308, Columbus State Community College, Accreditation #311, a signed Consent Agreement has been received for renewal of its First Responder and EMT-Intermediate levels of accreditation.

In the matter of Case #2007-86-308, Portage Lakes Joint Vocational School District, Accreditation #381, a signed Consent Agreement has been received for renewal of its EMT-Basic accreditation.

In the matter of Case #2005-428-308, Auburn Career Center, Accreditation #302, a signed Consent Agreement has been received for renewal of its EMT-Basic and EMT-Intermediate accreditations.

In the matter of Case #2007-85-308, Brookville Fire Department, Certificate of Approval #1011, a signed Consent Agreement has been received for renewal of its CE site.

- **Recommendation of Continuing Education Site Approvals, Ellen Owens**

Initial Approvals

	Name	Personnel	County
1.	Beaverdam-Richland Fire/Rescue	Valerie Lint, M.D. Medical Director Jean Hohenbrink, Program Coordinator	Allen
	Total: 1		

ACTION: Motion to approve the above listed sites without contingencies. Pomerantz first. Second Collins. None opposed. Motion approved.

Renewals

	Approval #	Exp Date	Name	County
1.	1070	4-30-2007	Archbold Fire & Rescue	Fulton
2.	1083	4-30-2007	Madison Township Fire Department	Franklin
3.	1298	5-31-2007	Brimfield EMS Education Program	Portage
4.	1111	4-30-2007	Truro Township Fire Department	Franklin
5.	1047	4-30-2007	Green Division of Fire	Summit
6.	1159	7-31-2007	American Medical Response of Ohio	Summit
7.	1075	4-30-2007	Concord Twp Fire Department	Lake
8.	1056	4-30-2007	Leroy Twp Fire Department	Lake
9.	1053	4-30-2007	Kirtland Fire Department	Lake
10.	1138	4-30-2007	Jewell Fire Department EMS CE	Defiance
11.	1119	5-31-2007	St. Rita's Medical Center	Allen
12.	1131	5-31-2007	Stark * Summit Ambulance	Summit
13.	1031	4-30-2007	Union Hospital	Tuscarawas
14.	1092	4-30-2007	North Canton EMS	Stark
15.	1142	5-31-2007	Stow Fire Department	Summit
16.	1091	4-30-2007	Napoleon Fire Department	Henry
17.	1076	4-30-2007	Coshocton County EMS, LLC	Coshocton
18.	1010	4-30-2007	Concord Twp Fire Dept.	Delaware
19.	1064	4-30-2007	Marion General Hospital	Marion
20.	2041	3-31-2007	Ohio-1 DMAT	Wood
21.	1100	4-30-2007	Pleasant Township Fire Department	Franklin
22.	1144	5-31-2007	Grandview Heights Division of Fire	Franklin
Total:				
22				

ACTION: Motion to approve the above listed sites without contingencies. Burgess first. Pomerantz second. None opposed. Resanovich abstained #5, Graymire abstained #11 and Mallory abstained #2. Motion approved.

Expired or Relinquished Programs:

Trenton Rescue Squad, Inc. #1152 expires 5/31/2007.
 Butler County allowing program to expire 5/31/2007.
 Van Wert Fire Department EMS CE Training program # 1038 allowed program to expire 4/30/2007.
 Cleveland Clinic Western Region-Fairview Hospital #2189, allowed program to expire 4/22/2007.
 Pleasant Township Fire / EMS #2194 (Marion County) failed to renew and expired 4/22/2007.
 Moorefield Township Fire & EMS # 2192 (Clark County) failed to renew and expired 4/22/2007.
 Mid-Ohio Ambulance Association, Inc. # 2042 expired 03/31/2007.

The following programs all expired April 30, 2007, after failing to return a renewal application, after (3) notices of expiring. Certified mail notices sent on the following expired EMS CE Training

Programs:

#1058 Community Health Partners, Lorain County

#1078 Harrison Township FD, Montgomery County
#1086 MedTrans, Inc., Clark County
#1067 Ohio Valley Medical Center East Regional Hospital, Wheeling, W.Va.
#1106 Rural/Metro Ambulance, Franklin County

2007 Statistics:

New Programs –15 # Certificate of Approvals due to renew in 2007: 234
Renewals – 108 # Certificate of Approvals left to renew in 2007: 114
Reinstatements – 1

● **Extensions, John Kennington**

ACTION: Motion to ratify extensions that were processed for the period of April 1, 2007 through April 30th, 2007 as requested. Burgess first. McNutt second. None opposed. Motion approved.

ACTION: Motion to approve the request for exemption regarding continuing education for one individual serving on active military duty. Davis first. Mankins second. None opposed. Motion approved.

ACTION: Motion to ratify the 1,446 active EMS Certifications issued for the period of April 1, 2007 through April 30, 2007. Collins first. Burgess second. None opposed. Motion approved.

Mr. Jordan thanked John Kennington for the implementation of the on-line certification process. The survey response form users had a 97% approval rating. Mr. Kennington thanked Mr. Rucker, the EMS staff and IT for their assistance. Mr. Kennington said he was counting on the Board members to continue to get the word out to their organizations about the on-line process. He said Mr. Rucker spoke with Mr. Guzman, who is excited about the on-line process and stressed the importance of getting the word out to the EMT's. The only problem being encountered with the online process are computer firewall programs not allowing the DMA form to get downloaded due to the word "terrorism" being included. The problem can be alleviated by faxing the form.

*******Lunch Break 11:25 a.m. – 12:05 p.m.*******

GOLDMAN PROCEEDINGS

Goldman Proceedings were called to order at 12:08 p.m. on May 16, 2007.

Roll Call

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Mr. Mark Resanovich Here

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A majority of the Board members were present. There will be three adjudication proceedings were held for EMS Case No. 2006-460-602, Mark A. Elzholz, Jr., EMS Certificate Number 125835, EMS Case Number 2006-426-304 Jeremy A. Makar, EMS Certificate Number 112839 and EMS Case Number 2006-513-304 Paula F. Rhonemus, EMS Certificate Number 19925.

In lieu of a stenographic record being made, the original sworn affidavits and exhibits will be kept as the official record of proceedings in the aforementioned matter in the Board office.

ACTION: Motion to admit the sworn affidavits and the accompanying exhibits in the aforementioned cases into evidence. The social security number that is on the case will be redacted. Collins first. Groner second. None opposed. Motion approved.

Since no further evidence was submitted to the Board, the Goldman Proceedings were closed at 12:10 p.m.

ACTION: Motion to go into Executive Session in order to deliberate and make final adjudication and disciplinary rulings in the matter of EMS Case No. 2006-460-602, Mark A. Elzholz, Jr., EMS Certificate Number 125835, EMS Case Number 2006-426-304 Jeremy A. Makar, EMS Certificate Number 112839 and EMS Case Number 2006-513-304 Paula F. Rhonemus, EMS Certificate Number 19925 by roll call vote at 12:12 p.m. Burgess first. Groner second. None opposed. Motion approved.

Roll Call

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*******Board returned from Executive Session at 12:18 p.m.*******

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case 2006-460-602 Mark A. Elzholz, Jr., EMS Certificate Number 125835, the Board finds that Mr. Elzholz violated the conditions of a consent agreement issued by the board in violation of Ohio Administrative code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(8), therefore the Board moves to revoke Mr. Elzholz's certificate to practice as an emergency medical technician. Burgess first. Mancuso second. None opposed. Holcomb abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2006-426-304 Jeremy A. Makar, EMS Certificate Number 112839, the Board finds that Mr. Makar committed fraud, misrepresentation or deception in applying for a certificate to practice as an emergency medical technician and 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(A), 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2)(b) and 4765-17-02, therefore the Board moves to revoke Mr. Makar's emergency medical technician certificate to practice. Burgess first. Mancuso second. None opposed. Holcomb abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2006-513-304 Paula F.

Rhonemus, EMS Certificate Number 19925, the Board finds that Ms. Rhonemus violated the conditions of a consent agreement issued by the board in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(8), therefore the Board moves to revoke Ms. Rhonemus' certificate to practice as an emergency medical technician. Burgess first. Mancuso second. None opposed. Holcomb abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: Motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Consent Agreements, pending litigation, and Investigations by roll call vote at 12:25 p.m. Holcomb first. Resanovich second. None opposed. Motion approved.

Roll Call

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*******Board returned from Executive Session at 1:30 p.m.*******
*******Mr. William Vedra left at 1:45 p.m.*******

ACTION: In the matter of Case Number 2007-162-308 the Board moves to renew the First Responder, EMT-Intermediate and EMT-Paramedic accreditation and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing at the EMT-Basic level. The Assistant Attorney General is authorized to negotiate a Consent Agreement. Burgess first. Mancuso second. None opposed. Holcomb abstained. Motion approved.

2004-93-304	2007-104-304
2006-402-101	2007-105-304

2007-7-304	2007-120-101
2007-34-102	2007-126-101
2007-63-101	2007-127-304
2007-66-102	2007-145-201
2007-68-602	2007-146-303
2007-70-403	2007-147-201
2007-90-101	2007-158-602(2006-138-305)

ACTION: Move to accept the consent agreements 2004-93-304 inclusive through 2007-158-602 listed above. Burgess first. Mancuso second. None opposed. Bradshaw (case 2007-66-102), Holcomb abstained. Motion approved.

2004-26-101	2006-487-602
2004-61-101	2006-497-602
2004-67-304	2006-522-102
2004-91-301	2007-30-305
2004-147-102	2007-49-307 & 2007-50-308
2004-179-101	2007-56-102
2004-180-304	2007-73-101
2004-288-102	2007-76-305
2004-357-304	2007-80-101
2004-366-102	2007-82-101
2006-188-102	2007-95-101
2006-219-304	2007-96-502
2006-259-602	2007-111-101
2006-374-305	2007-113-102
2006-408-102	2007-114-102

ACTION: Move to close the following cases 2004-26-101 inclusive through 2007-114-102 listed above. Burgess first. Mancuso second. None opposed. Resanovich (case 2006-374-305), Holcomb abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: The following individuals were audited and now meet the stipulations. Move to close the following cases 2004-259-304 and 2004-380-304. Burgess first. Mancuso second. None opposed. Holcomb abstained. Motion approved.

2004-51-101	2006-455-101
2004-161-303(A)	2006-467-101
2004-161-303(B)	2006-476-101
2006-58-101	2006-486-101
2006-240-101	2006-501-101
2006-309-302	2006-511-101
2006-317-101	2006-527-101
2006-320-101	2007-23-101
2006-321-101	2007-58-101
2006-447-101	

ACTION: Move to close the following cases 2004-51-101 inclusive through 2007-58-101 listed above. The following individuals entered into Consent Agreements with the Board. They have now completed the stipulations of their Agreements. Burgess first. Mancuso second. None opposed. Holcomb abstained. Motion approved.

2004-261-101	2007-43-304
2004-272-101	2007-45-102
2006-148-102	2007-57-305
2006-462-102	2007-79-101
2007-14-305	2007-106-304
2007-20-305	2007-159-602
2007-38-305	2007-160-602
2007-40-101	

ACTION: Move to issue Notices of Opportunity for Hearings for the following cases 2004-261-101 inclusive through 2007-160-602 listed above. Burgess first. Mancuso second. None opposed. Holcomb abstained. Motion approved.

2004-255-101	2007-92-305	2007-116-305	2007-136-101
2007-42-101	2007-93-305	2007-117-305	2007-138-305
2007-60-305	2007-98-101	2007-118-305	2007-139-305
2007-62-305	2007-99-101	2007-119-305	2007-140-101
2007-72-101	2007-101-101	2007-121-305	2007-144-305
2007-75-101	2007-102-102	2007-128-305	2007-154-305
2007-77-101	2007-109-101	2007-131-101	2007-155-305
2007-89-305	2007-110-101	2007-134-305	2007-171-305
2007-91-101	2007-115-101	2007-135-305	

ACTION: Motion to close the above listed cases for one of the following reasons: inadvertently marked yes to conviction question, misdemeanor convictions which the Board has previously deemed “not involving moral turpitude,” continuing education cases which now meet the requirements, local non-patient care issues, and grandfathering issues of certification/conviction. Burgess first. Mancuso second. None opposed. Holcomb abstained. Motion approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Jordan discussed the on-line continuing education issues brought up during the January 2007 Board Retreat. The Board is continually being pressured for on-line CE. For the Trauma Triage on-line program, the subject matter, test method, and timeline for completion must be expediently determined with a possible deadline completion date of September 2007. To date, work is being done for Trauma Triage on-line program. Mr. Erskine addressed the Board on potential timeline. He said the real issue is the testing method, printing certificates and security concerns. There needs to be a way to ensure someone cannot take tests for all members of a department on-line. It is unknown how much server space is needed to house individual histories. Director Rucker indicated the committee cannot accomplish this by only meeting 2 hours once a month. Meetings need to occur more frequently and for longer lengths of time. Mr. Rucker emphasized this project cannot take a year like the accreditation process. Mr. Davis said his main concerns are that we currently accept on-line CME from difference sites like CE Solutions. If the Division of EMS is creating the Trauma Triage on-line course, Mr. Davis inquired if the Division of EMS will be entering the business of offering CME on-line through the state EMS website.

Director Rucker does not foresee the Division going into the on-line CE business. The trauma triage training is the exception as it was not being offered elsewhere. A plan is needed on how much on-line training is acceptable and who is approving it. The Division of EMS needs to be the leader on where the best information regarding certain components of continuing education comes from, such as trauma/triage, CHEMPACK, and other topics pertinent to EMS. He felt we shouldn't farm it out to another vendor or someone else copy it after we do it. We should be the leader for legislated items. Dr. Cunningham agreed we should provide an avenue for such training that is legislated. Mr. Jordan felt those areas regarding CE issues currently required should be the initial direction the Education committee takes.

Mr. Holcomb said the committee is focusing on the continuing education aspect and not the initial program because Ms. Linda Mirarchi has done a lot of work and he needs to get with her to see where she is on that. He asked Board members to help the committee out by reviewing information that is sent to them in a timely fashion which will aid them in meeting their September deadline. Once they are completed, the items still need to go through the legal process of hearings, which is roughly 90 days. The committee is looking into what other states have in place. He cautioned there will not be a lot of time during Board meetings for discussion on these issues. Mr. Jordan said if we concentrate on issues currently required such as Trauma/Triage and Geriatrics, and keep it small, it might make it easier to focus on where to begin. Mr. Holcomb indicated fire chiefs should be consulted as well. Mr. Jordan said the Board has nothing in place which addresses the acquisition of CE on-line. Mr. Davis wanted to know how many hours of CE will be allowed to be obtained on-line versus hands-on classroom training. Mr. Holcomb said a rough draft should be available for the July Board meeting. Mr. Jordan stated the timeline and subject matter is now defined.

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NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Davis distributed a letter from a local Franklin County provider's Board of Directors opinion on the use of CPAP by EMTs of all levels. Dr. Cunningham said she spoke with the state medical directors where they are using it, and it's been well received. She also referred them to the study completed and presented by Mr. Marchetta. Dr. Collins reminded members the 9th annual Ohio ACEP Star of Life Awards will be held May 22, 2007.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: Motion to adjourn. Burgess first. Mancuso second. None opposed. Motion approved.

The meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.