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STATE BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL, FIRE, AND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
MEETING MINUTES
December 18, 2013
~ FINAL ~

Board Meeting Date and Location: Wednesday, December 18, 2013 at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad Street, Conference Room 134, Columbus, Ohio.

Board Members Present: Kent Appelhans, Rebecca Baute, Karen Beavers, Pamela Bradshaw, Gary Cates, James Davis, Geoff Dutton, Vickie Graymire, Deanna Harris, Ernest Hatmaker, Daryl McNutt, Wendy Pomerantz, Mark Resanovich, Julie Rose, Steven Steinberg, Thomas Tallman (arrived @ 10:30), Thomas Wappner (arrived at 10:30), and Dudley Wright II

Board Members Absent: Thomas Allenstein

DPS and EMS Staff Members Present: Jean Booze, Dr. Carol Cunningham, Tim Erskine, Rhonda Evans, Anna Firestone, Ryan Frick, Thomas Gwinn, Sherry Harkness, Melvin House, Tom Macklin, Julie McQuade, Rick Miller, Linda Mirarchi, Sue Morris, Doug Orahod, Ellen Owens, Carol Palantekin, Robert Ruetenik, John Sands, Schuyler Schmidt, Andy Spencer, Joe Stack, Melissa Vermillion, Diane Walton, Connie White, Patrick Wilson, and Rachel Zwayer

Assistant Attorney General: Brandon Duck and Summer Moses

Public Present: Mike Jackson (Air Evac Lifeteam), Marisa Maxey (Air Evac Lifeteam), Joseph Stefanko (Parma Fire Department), Joe Toth (Parma Hospital), Bradley Troy (Air Evac Lifeteam), and E. Janie Ward (Air Evac Lifeteam)

OPEN FORUM

Chairman Daryl McNutt called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

Roll Call

Mr. Daryl McNutt	Present	Ms. Deanna Harris	Present
Mr. Thomas Allenstein	Absent	Mr. Ernest Hatmaker	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Dr. Wendy Pomerantz	Present
Ms. Rebecca Baute	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Ms. Julie Rose	Present
Ms. Pamela Bradshaw	Present	Dr. Steven Steinberg	Present
Mr. Gary Cates	Present	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Absent
Mr. James Davis	Present	Mr. Thomas Wappner	Absent
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright	Present
Ms. Vickie Graymire	Present		

Mr. McNutt noted for the record that a quorum was present to conduct business.

Welcome and Introductions

PUBLIC RECORD

Open Forum – None

Consent Agenda

Mr. McNutt requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items that were distributed prior to the meeting, including the October 16, 2013 EMFTS meeting minutes. It was noted that the Newton Township Training Division, EMR/EMT Program will be removed from the Initial Accreditation's list that was included in the Consent Agenda. Additional paperwork from Newton Township Training Division is required prior to Board approval.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items including the EMS certifications, accreditations and CE Sites requests for the period of October 16, 2013 through December 17, 2013 with the removal of Newton Township Training Division from the Initial accreditation's list. Ms. Bradshaw - First. Dr. Pomerantz – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Grants:

The Board deviated from the meeting agenda to discuss the EMS grant process review. It has been brought to the attention of DEMS that there are some issues with the current EMS grant process. A recent review initiated by DEMS Executive Director House, ODPS Legal Services, EMFTS Board Chair, Daryl McNutt, Resource Committee Chair, Mark Resanovich, and Trauma Committee Chair, Dr. Johnathan Saxe of the Priority 2 – 5 research grant process revealed potential conflicts of interest in the review and awarding of EMS grants. ODPS also sought the guidance from the Ohio Ethics Commission. To eliminate any possible conflicts of interest among EMFTS Board and Committee members regarding the EMS grants, there will be changes to the award process. Priority 1 grant process is also being reviewed for possible revisions to ensure that there are no potential conflicts in this process.

Patrick Wilson from the ODPS Special Project Team presented the new grant process and timeline. The revised grant process was discussed and approved by the EMFTS Board. (Priorities 2-5 grant process and timeline draft is attached - Attachment 1).

Some of the new process discussion included the following:

- Creation of the Research Panel.
- Panel members will include EMS staff and experts in the medical research & emergency treatment fields.
- Panel members will serve for a three-year staggered term
- Panel members can serve in state or out of state (communicating via email/teleconference)
- Current Panel, EMFTS Board or Committee members are NOT permitted to apply for a grant. However, the institution that employ the member is not prohibited from submitting grant proposals, but the member cannot in any way assist the institution in applying for a grant.
- Panel members cannot sit on the EMFTS Board or EMFTS Committee
- Panel will consist of three to five members (determined by the EMS Executive Director)
- The EMFTS Board will conduct a survey in one year of creation to measure its effectiveness. The grant process will be revised as needed.
- EMFTS Board will continue to set priorities and approve all EMS grant applications.
- Grant applications will first be reviewed by EMS staff to ensure that they meet the minimum requirements. If meet the requirements, will then be forwarded to the Panel for further review.

The new grant process is to help ensure transparency and Ohio Ethics compliance. As well as protect the members of the EMFTS Board and Committees, and ODPS and its staff of any conflicts of interest.

Mark Resanovich on behalf of the Resource Management Committee requested a motion for approval of the new process.

ACTION: Motion to approve the new EMS Research Grant Process for Priorities Two through Five. Mr. Dutton – First. Ms. Beavers - Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

GOLDMAN PROCEEDINGS

Daryl McNutt called the proceedings to order at 10:26 a.m. on December 18, 2013, at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio. Members of the Board present for the proceedings were:

Roll Call

Mr. Daryl McNutt	Present	Ms. Deanna Harris	Present
Mr. Thomas Allenstein	Absent	Mr. Ernest Hatmaker	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Dr. Wendy Pomerantz	Present
Ms. Rebecca Baute	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Ms. Julie Rose	Present
Ms. Pamela Bradshaw	Present	Dr. Steven Steinberg	Present
Mr. Gary Cates	Present	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Absent
Mr. James Davis	Present	Mr. Thomas Wappner	Absent
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright	Present
Ms. Vickie Graymire	Present		

Mr. McNutt noted for the record that a majority of members of the Board were present. There were 15 adjudication proceedings. The proceedings were in the matter of:

- *In the matter of EMS Case #2012-753-E300, Lisa R. Preston, EMS Certification #1145*
- *In the matter of EMS Case #2012-787-E300, Richard J. Huss, EMS Certification #26360*
- *In the matter of EMS Case #2012-797-E300, James K. Pennington, EMS Certification #134184*
- *In the matter of EMS Case #2012-812-E300, Jeffrey L. Litteral, EMS Certification #26818*
- *In the matter of EMS Case #2012-813-E300, Timothy M. Smith Jr., EMS Certification #145382*
- *In the matter of EMS Case #2012-918-E300, Jessica I. Gibson, EMS Certification #133371*
- *In the matter of EMS Case #2013-5-E300, William R. Butterworth, EMS Certification #80699*
- *In the matter of EMS Case #2013-21-E300, Timothy P. Pavey, EMS Certification #84236*
- *In the matter of EMS Case #2013-55-E300, Elizabeth F. Highlander, EMS Certification #121922*
- *In the matter of EMS Case #2013-90-E300, Laura S. Linsten, EMS Certification #71835*
- *In the matter of EMS Case #2013-92-E300, Christina L. Caruso, EMS Certification #135625*
- *In the matter of EMS Case #2013-119-E300, Shannon B. Donnola, EMS Certification #145674*
- *In the matter of EMS Case #2013-139-E300, Matthew A. Dingle, EMS Certification #92914*
- *In the matter of EMS Case #2013-159-E300, Jill L. Morris, EMS Certification #136367*
- *In the matter of EMS Case #2013-191-E300, Bryce D. Henry, EMS Certification #147206*

These proceedings shall be an affidavit-based adjudication relative to the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing mailed to the respondents in the aforementioned cases 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 cases, these proceedings will be held before the board pursuant to *Goldman v. State Medical Board of Ohio*. The individuals named do not have the ability to present written or oral testimony today, but may be present to hear the proceedings and outcome.

All have received the sworn affidavits from the EMS investigators and accompanying exhibits for the Goldman Proceedings in the board packet. The affidavits contain the evidence and testimony upon which was deliberated. Mr. McNutt stated that all have had the opportunity to review the affidavits and accompanying exhibits. If not, time was allowed to review. No additional time was required.

Final

PUBLIC RECORD

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

Mr. McNutt recognized Assistant Attorney General, Brandon Duck for the purpose of providing a brief synopsis of each case and a recommendation for disciplinary action. Mr. Duck presented the cases:

Mr. Duck stated that he did not need to add any other comments to the case summaries already provided. Mr. Duck asked that EMS Case #2012-813-E300, Timothy M. Smith Jr., EMS Certification #145382 also be included. It was confirmed that Mr. Smith was indeed included in today's deliberations as listed above. Mr. Duck stated that in all of the cases, the individuals after submitting their renewal applications upon a random audit failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that they had satisfied the requirements to renew their certificate to practice. Therefore, asked the EMFTS Board to revoke their certificates.

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

ACTION: Motion to admit the sworn affidavits and accompanying exhibits in the aforementioned cases into evidence. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Bradshaw – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

There being no further evidence to come before the board, these proceedings are now closed at 10:33 a.m.

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

Mr. McNutt 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. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Davis – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Roll Call

Mr. Daryl McNutt	Present	Ms. Deanna Harris	Present
Mr. Thomas Allenstein	Absent	Mr. Ernest Hatmaker	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Dr. Wendy Pomerantz	Present
Ms. Rebecca Baute	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Ms. Julie Rose	Present
Ms. Pamela Bradshaw	Present	Dr. Steven Steinberg	Present
Mr. Gary Cates	Present	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Present
Mr. James Davis	Present	Mr. Thomas Wappner	Present
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright	Present
Ms. Vickie Graymire	Present		

The Board returned from private session at 10:39 a.m.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2012-753-E300, Lisa R. Preston, EMS Certification Number 1145, the Board finds that Ms. Preston failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that she had satisfied the requirements to renew her certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2), and 4765-15-03. Therefore, the Board moves to revoke Ms. Preston's emergency medical technician certificate to practice. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Wright – Second. None opposed. Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2012-797-E300, James K. Pennington, EMS Certification Number 134184, the Board finds that Mr. Pennington failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements to renew his certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2), and 4765-15-03. Therefore, the Board moves to revoke Mr. Pennington's emergency medical technician certificate to practice. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None opposed. Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2012-787-E300, Richard J. Huss, EMS Certification Number 26360, the Board finds that Mr. Huss failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements to renew his certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2), and 4765-15-03. Therefore, the Board moves to revoke Mr. Huss' emergency medical technician certificate to practice. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Rose – Second. None opposed. Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2012-812-E300, Jeffrey L. Litteral, EMS Certification Number 26818, the Board finds that Mr. Litteral failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements to renew his certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2), and 4765-15-03. Therefore, the Board moves to revoke Mr. Litteral's emergency medical technician certificate to practice. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None opposed. Ms. Bradshaw, Mr. Davis, and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2012-813-E300, Timothy M. Smith Jr., EMS Certification Number 145382, the Board finds that Mr. Smith failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements to renew his certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2), and 4765-15-03. Therefore, the Board moves to revoke Ms. Smith's emergency medical technician certificate to practice. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None opposed. Ms. Bradshaw, Mr. Davis, and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2012-918-E300, Jessica I. Gibson, EMS Certification Number 133371, the Board finds that Ms. Gibson failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that she had satisfied the requirements to renew her certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2), and 4765-15-03. Therefore, the Board moves to revoke Ms. Gibson's emergency medical technician certificate to practice. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Wright – Second. None opposed. Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2013-5-E300, William R. Butterworth, EMS Certification Number 80699, the Board finds that Mr. Butterworth failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements to renew his certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2), and 4765-15-03. Therefore, the Board moves to revoke Mr. Butterworth's emergency medical responder certificate to practice. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Appelhans – Second. None opposed. Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2013-21-E300, Timothy P. Pavey, EMS Certification Number 84236, the Board finds that Mr. Pavey failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements to renew his certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2), and 4765-15-03. Therefore, the Board moves to revoke Mr. Pavey's emergency medical technician certificate to practice. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None opposed. Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved

ACTION In the matter of EMS Case Number 2013-55-E300, Elizabeth F. Highlander, EMS Certification Number 121922, the Board finds that Mr. Highlander failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that she had satisfied the requirements to renew her certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2), and 4765-15-03. Therefore, the Board moves to revoke Ms. Highlander's emergency medical technician certificate to practice. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Rose – Second. None opposed. Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved

ACTION In the matter of EMS Case Number 2013-90-E300, Laura S. Linsten, EMS Certification Number 71835, the Board finds that Ms. Linsten failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that she had satisfied the requirements to renew her certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2), and 4765-15-03. Therefore, the Board moves to revoke Ms. Linsten's emergency medical technician certificate to practice. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Appelhans – Second. None opposed. Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved

ACTION In the matter of EMS Case Number 2013-92-E300, Christina L. Caruso, EMS Certification Number 135625, the Board finds that Ms. Caruso failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that she had satisfied the requirements to renew her certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2), and 4765-15-03. Therefore, the Board moves to revoke Ms. Caruso's emergency medical technician certificate to practice. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None opposed. Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved

ACTION In the matter of EMS Case Number 2013-119-E300, Shannon B. Donnola, EMS Certification Number 145674, the Board finds that Ms. Donnola failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that she had satisfied the requirements to renew her certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2), and 4765-12-03. Therefore, the Board moves to revoke Ms. Donnola's emergency medical responder certificate to practice. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Appelhans – Second. None opposed. Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved

ACTION In the matter of EMS Case Number 2013-139-E300, Matthew A. Dingle, EMS Certification Number 92914, the Board finds that Mr. Dingle failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements to renew his certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2), and 4765-15-03. Therefore, the Board moves to revoke Mr. Dingle's emergency medical technician certificate to practice. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None opposed. Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved

ACTION In the matter of EMS Case Number 2013-159-E300, Jill L. Morris, EMS Certification Number 136367, the Board finds that Ms. Morris failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that she had satisfied the requirements to renew her certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2), and 4765-15-03. Therefore, the Board moves to revoke Ms. Morris' emergency medical technician certificate to practice. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None opposed. Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved

ACTION *In the matter of EMS Case Number 2013-191-E300, Bryce D. Henry, EMS Certification Number 147206, the Board finds that Mr. Henry failed to accurately document all continuing education requirements after attesting to the fact that he had satisfied the requirements to renew his certificate to practice in violation of Ohio Administrative Code Sections 4765-10-03(B)(1), 4765-9-01(I), 4765-8-04(A)(2), and 4765-12-03. Therefore, the Board moves to revoke Mr. Henry's emergency medical responder certificate to practice.* Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. None opposed. Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich – abstained. Motion approved

EMS Investigations, Melissa Vermillion and Staff

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 10:51 AM.* Ms. Harris – First. Dr. Pomerantz – Second. None Abstain. None opposed. Motion approved.

Roll Call

Mr. Daryl McNutt	Present	Ms. Deanna Harris	Present
Mr. Thomas Allenstein	Absent	Mr. Ernest Hatmaker	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Dr. Wendy Pomerantz	Present
Ms. Rebecca Baute	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Ms. Julie Rose	Present
Ms. Pamela Bradshaw	Present	Dr. Steven Steinberg	Present
Mr. Gary Cates	Present	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Present
Mr. James Davis	Present	Mr. Thomas Wappner	Present
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright	Present
Ms. Vickie Graymire	Present		

The Board reconvened from executive session at 11:12 AM.

ACTION: *Motion to close the following cases:* Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Abstain – Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2013-523-ET400 No Jurisdiction. Refer agency	2013-544-ET400 No Jurisdiction. Refer to agency
2013-529-ET500 Non-violation	2013-560-ET500 Refer to Medical Director

ACTION: *Motion to accept the following Consent Agreements:* Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Appelhans – Second. Abstain – Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2012-70-E100	2013-149-E300	2013-452-BE100	2013-552-E300
2012-227-E500	2013-186-E300	2013-469-E100	2013-574-E300
2012-431-BE100	2013-434-E300	2013-511-E100	2013-577-E300
2012-624-E500			

ACTION: *Motion to close the following cases:* Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Appelhans – Second. Abstain – Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2013-348-E200	2013-534-E300
2013-369-BE500	2013-582-BE500

ACTION: *Motion to close the following cases and defer to department discipline:* Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Abstain - Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2013-203-E400	2013-204-E400
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ACTION: *Motion to close the following cases; the Board refers the cases to the local medical director/department:* Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Appelhans – Second. Abstain - Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2013-200-E400	2013-537-E500	2013-540-E400
2013-346-E400	2013-539-E400	2013-541-E400
2013-536-E500		

ACTION: Motion to close the following cases as non-violations of ORC or OAC Chapters 4765:
 Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Wright – Second. Abstain - Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2013-221-E200 2013-329-BE100	2013-487-E500 2013-533-E500	2013-535-E500 2013-538-E500
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ACTION: Motion to close the following cases due to lack of jurisdiction or as a local issue: Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Appelhans – Second. Abstain - Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2013-269-E400 2013-343-BE500 *Refer to Fire Marshal 2013-403-E400 2013-451-BE500	2013-501-E400 2013-561-E500 *Refer to agency/med dir 2013-553-E400 *Refer to agency/med dir 2013-567-E500 *refer to med dir
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ACTION: Motion to close the following cases, re-open if subject re-applies: Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Appelhans – Second. Abstain - Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2012-611-E100	2010-491-E300	2010-585-BE100
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ACTION: Motion to close the following cases, individuals have met the stipulations of their Consent Agreements Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Appelhans – Second. Abstain – Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved.

2011-670-E100 2011-718-E300	2011-1020-BE100 2013-492-E300
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ACTION: Motion to issue Notices of Opportunity for Hearings for the following cases: Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Appelhans – Second. Abstain – Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved..

2012-393-E100 (2012-120-F100)

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, local non-patient care issues, and grandfathering issues of certification/conviction. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Appelhans – Second. Abstain – Ms. Bradshaw and Mr. Resanovich. None opposed. Motion approved..

2013-201-BE100 2013-437-BE100 2013-457-BE100 2013-513-E100	2013-570-BE100 2013-571-F100 2013-572-BE100 2013-588-E100	2013-559-BE100 2013-598-E500 2013-602-E100	2013-593-E100 2013-609-E100 2013-603-E100
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REPORTS:

EMS Board Chair Report, Daryl McNutt

Mr. McNutt asked the Committee Chairs to pass along to their committees his appreciation for all of their work. Although he cannot make it to every committee meeting he recognizes and appreciates their commitment and contribution.

State EMS Medical Director Report, Dr. Carol Cunningham

Dr. Cunningham presented the applications for the re-appointments from Region I for Dr. Hamilton Lempert and Dr. Phillip Oblinger; from Region II for Dr. Thomas Krzmarzick, Dr. William R. Marriott, and Dr. Jason Pickett; from Region IV for Dr. David Lindstrom; and from Region V for Dr. Paul Zeeb; for the Regional Physician Advisory Board membership for the EMFTS Board approval.

ACTION: Motion to approve the RPAB re-appointments from Region I for Dr. Hamilton Lempert and Dr. Phillip Oblinger; from Region II for Dr. Thomas Krzmarzick, Dr. William R. Marriott, and Dr. Jason Pickett; from Region IV for Dr. David Lindstrom; and from Region V for Dr. Paul Zeeb.
 Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Wright – Second. Mr. Cates – Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

There are several unfilled RPAB Chair positions due to members stepping down because of other obligations. There are Chair vacancies in Regions III, IV, VI, and VIII; and a pending vacancy in Region IX. RPAB rules state that the RPAB members are responsible for selecting the Chair. The Medical Director will only choose a Chair if the regional membership falls below three members. The Board is asked to inform Dr. Cunningham of anyone that might be interested in serving on the RPAB.

The intranasal naloxone training module has been completed and posted to the EMS webpage. As this was a fast track project, Dr. Cunningham thanked the Board and EMS staff for their expeditious review. The training is posted as a PowerPoint including post-test, which will allow those wanting continued education to be able to do so. The training will be posted on the ODPS Training Campus (PSTC).

The OSU Medical Center feasibility study for Prehospital Use of Ultrasound Research Project (Keseg/Cortez) which was presented to the Board in October has been placed on hold because they were unable to obtain IRB approval. Their IRB felt that ultrasound is not well established in the prehospital setting. The Principle Investigators are planning to resubmit their proposal once IRB approval is granted.

Dr. Cunningham participated in a public service segment "Kaleidoscope" in Cleveland with Leon Bibb which aired on November 24, 2013. Dr. Cunningham highlighted the ODPS *A Safer Ohio* initiative, particularly the "*I Contribute Campaign*", which encourages Ohioans to contribute to a safer Ohio. The piece is scheduled to air again on December 29, 2013. A link has been placed on the EMS website.

Dr. Cunningham and Executive Director House visited the Cleveland Clinic Foundation on December 9, 2013. They discussed their proposed Mobile Stroke Unit (response vehicle), State regulations, and medical transportation regulations to ensure that there were no issues of concern.

Dr. Isaac Ashkenazi, a professor from Harvard University who is an international expert on emergency preparedness and response, visited Cleveland, Ohio. Dr. Ashkenazi developed a field hospital that is easier to deploy than the Carolina's Med One. He was in the Cleveland/Akron area to present his simulation centers. Dr. Cunningham toured his field hospital and attended the mass casualty symposium. Dr. Ashkenazi was awarded a grant to create a video on in-hospital active shooters. Dr. Cunningham has asked to review the script and offer feedback in regards to EMS issues.

In response to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security request, an Improved Explosive Device (IED)/Mass Shooter Incident Response stakeholder meeting with DHS, ASPR, DHS, Office of Health Affairs, and ECCC has been scheduled on February 5 – 6, 2014 in conjunction with EMS Today.

NEMSAC Advisory Council meeting was December 4-6, 2013.

- The National Press Club announced the release of "The Future of Emergency Care"
- NEMSAC is accepting feedback on potential updates to "The EMS Education Agenda for the Future" document. Comments are due February 1, 2014. Dr. Cunningham suggests that all Board members read it. There may some future changes to EMS. Copies available upon request.

FICEMS – request for legislation to approach CMS regarding reimbursement for the expanding roles of EMS; unfortunately, they have experienced stonewalling from the Department of Justice on DEA issues with drug shortages. NAEMSP/NAEMSO Medical Director's mid annual meeting is January 15-18, 2014.

EMS Legislative Liaison, Andy Spencer

Mr. Spencer reviewed the Legislative Tracker which was provided to the Board as a handout. Legislature is on break until mid-January. The following legislation was discussed:

Ohio House of Representatives:

- H.B. 44 (*Representative McClain, Sponsor*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_HB_44_PH_Y.pdf
- H.B. 51 (*Representatives McGregor & Patmon, Sponsors*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_HB_51_EN_N.pdf
- H.B. 98 (*Representatives Gonzales & Retherford, Sponsors*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_HB_98_EN_N.pdf
- H.B. 163 (*Representatives McGregor & Antonio, Sponsors*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_HB_163_I_Y.pdf
- H.B. 170 (*Representatives Johnson & Stinziano, Sponsors*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_HB_170_PH_Y.pdf
Amended to remove EMS and to ensure hospitals and EMS has first priority to Naloxone. Mr. Spencer and Executive Director House have met with Representative Johnson to discuss the changes.
- H.B. 176 (*Representative Sears, Sponsor*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_HB_176_RH_Y.pdf
- H.B. 235 (*Representative Willaims, Sponsor*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_HB_235_I_Y.pdf
- H.B. 271 (*Representative Becker, Sponsor*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_HB_271_I_Y.pdf
- H.B. 273 (*Representative Pillich, Sponsor*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_HB_273_I_Y.pdf
- H.B. 320 (*Representative Young, Sponsor*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_HB_320_I_Y.pdf

Ohio Senate:

- S.B. 3 (*Senator LaRose, Sponsor*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_SB_3_PS_Y.pdf
- S.B. 57 (*Senator Manning, Sponsor*)
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- S.B. 97 (*Senator Hughes, Sponsor*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_SB_97_RS_Y.pdf
- S.B. 105 (*Senator Kearney, Sponsor*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_SB_105_I_Y.pdf
- S.B. 111 (*Senator Tavares, Sponsor*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_SB_111_I_Y.pdf
- S.B. 117 (*Senator Smith, Sponsor*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_SB_117_I_Y.pdf
- S.B. 125 (*Senators LaRose & Skindell, Sponsors*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_SB_125_I_Y.pdf
- S.B. 132 (*Senator Tavares, Sponsor*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_SB_132_I_Y.pdf
- S.B. 221 (*Senator Gardner, Sponsor*)
Bill http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/BillText130/130_SB_221_I_Y.pdf
Reintroduced original Bill 427

Assistant Attorney General, Brandon Duck & Summer Moses

Nothing to report.

EMS Staff Legal Counsel, Anna Firestone

Nothing to report.

Executive Director, Melvin House

EMFTS Board Seats Status

Seat 1: ER Physician. Dr. Thomas A. Tallman of the Cleveland Clinic has been appointed by the Governor's office to fill this seat. He replaces Dr. Springer. His term began December 5, 2013 and will end November 12, 2015. He is expected to be in attendance at the today's (12/18/13) Board meeting. Welcome Dr. Tallman to his first EMFTS Board meeting.

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Seat 4: Hospital Administrator. Welcome to Mr. Cates to his first EMFTS Board meeting.

Seat 10: EMS Provider. Additional recommendations for nominations were forwarded to the Director's office on Monday, December 2, 2013.

Seat 5: Trauma Program Manager. Vickie Graymire submitted her resignation effective January 30, 2014. Executive Director House thanked Ms. Graymire for her service, stated that she was a great asset to the Board and wished her well in her retirement. Ms. Graymire stated that it was a pleasure serving on the Board and wishes continued success of the Board.

2013 Recap

As the year comes to an end, Executive Director House reviewed a few of the accomplishments of 2013. In addition to the day to day things, DEMS has:

- AI cleanup completed in June
- Medical Transportation merger complete. Welcome to our new partners from the Medical Transportation sector.
- Complete rewrite of Fire Training and Education Rules
- Development of the Live Fire Training Operations Course
- 18 month overhaul IT project of essentially the entire database system
- Revamp the web-based fire testing system
- Certification Process Mapping and improvements (next IT Project)
- Grant program process improvement.
- All the above achieved with about a 33% turn over in new staff.

Naloxone Administration

The Education and Training modules (with audio or with notes and no audio) for Ohio EMS Intranasal Naloxone have been posted to the EMS webpage. DEMS is working to have this training posted on the ODPS Public Safety Training Campus. However, at this time, the training campus is maxed out. ODPS is looking into expanding the campus, once resolved the training will be posted to the training campus.

February EMFTS Board Meeting and Retreat

The Fire Academy is not available on February 19 and 20, 2014 as originally scheduled. The date and/or location will need to be moved. . The Board discussed the options available and agreed that if at all possible the date remain the same by moving the location. The date and location of the EMFTS Board meeting and retreat will be announced once confirmed.

Safer Ohio Initiative

All were given the Ohio a copy of the current *Safer Ohio* quarterly magazine. A sneak peak of the next issues' (Vol. 1 Issue 2) cover and article was also distributed. The cover story highlights the Ohio EMS 24-hour Live Fire Training Course. The Board is asked to consider and forward any EMS projects that might be worthy of submission for the Safer Ohio initiative.

Division of EMS Vacancies Update

- Administrative Professional 1 – Certification Section. Waiting for approval to post.
- Administrative Professional 1 – Education Section. Recommendation to hire forwarded to HR for approval.
- Program Administrator 3 – Manage the Medical Transportation Section and assist in coordinating the Administrative Code requirements.
- Program Administrator 2 – Education Section. Specialize in fire training. Waiting for approval to post.
- New OEMS Employee - Rick Miller will be assisting with investigations.

Reminders:

- Board members are reminded to complete their required annual ethics training. If need assistance, contact Sherry Harkness.
- For all Board members, hotel arrangements for all of 2014 have been made with the HOMEWOOD SUITES located at 1576 West Lane Avenue, Columbus, at the state rate of \$99.00.

EMS Certification, Extensions & Exemption Requests, Jean Booze

Jean Booze reported, during October 11, 2013 to December 11, 2013, there were 120 EMS extensions, and the staff requests a motion and approval.

ACTION: Motion to approve EMS extensions. Mr. Wright – First. Ms. Harris – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Jean Booze reported, during October 11, 2013 to December 11, 2013, there were 2,132 new EMS certifications, and 2,524 New Fire certifications. The staff requests a motion and approval.

ACTION: Motion to approve new certifications. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Appelhans – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Jean Booze reported CE exemptions requests for the period of October 11, 2013 to December 11, 2013. There were a total of eleven exemptions; eight Dual certified, three EMS only; eight are due to military deployment and three are due to medical hardship. The staff requests a motion and approval.

ACTION: Motion to approve exemptions. Mr. Davis – First. Ms. Harris – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Executive Director House stated that through November 30th, EMS has processed 29,647 certifications and manages a total of 101,551 Fire and EMS certifications. He thanked the Certification section for all the hard work.

Education, Linda Mirarchi

Linda Mirarchi presented Summa Health Systems Paramedic Training program for Accreditation Extension request pursuant to section 4765.17 of the Revised Code. Staff is requesting to extend the expiration date to November 30, 2015. They are nationally accredited and request an extension of their renewal. The extension would coincide with their national accreditation renewal date of November 30, 2015. Staff is requesting motion and approval.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Accreditation extension request for Summa Health Systems Paramedic Training program to November 30, 2015 pursuant to section 4765.17 of the Ohio Revised Code. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Linda Mirarchi discussed the issue of an initial accreditation request (Case #2013-647-E500). The institution submitted an incomplete application because they could not demonstrate that it possessed a valid affiliation agreement with a clinical organization to assure sufficient training opportunities for EMS students in accordance with OAC Rule 4765-7-02. EMS requested that they withdrawal their initial application and resubmit a complete application. The have refused to comply. Staff requests a motion to deny the application and issue a Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing.

ACTION: Motion to deny the initial accreditation request and issue a Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing for the following case: Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Wright – Second.

MOTION WITHDRAWN – Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Wright – Second.

2013-647-E500

After discussion the Board was in agreement to withdraw the first motion (above) and instead issue a Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing only and not to deny the initial application.

ACTION: Motion to issue Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing for the following case: Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Wright – Second. None abstain. None opposed. Motion approved.
2013-647-E500

Medical Transportation – Connie White

Connie White presented the list of Medical Transportation Renewal Applications with expiration dates of October, November, and December 2013. Staff is requesting a motion and approval.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Medical Transportation Renewal Applications with expiration dates of October, November, and December 2013. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Mr. Wright – Second. None abstain. None opposed. Motion approved.

Connie White presented the list of Medical Transportation New Service applications. Staff is requesting a motion and approval.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Medical Transportation New Service applications. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Bradshaw – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

Connie White presented the list of Medical Transportation New Headquarters and Satellite location applications. Staff is requesting a motion and approval.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Medical Transportation New Headquarters and Satellite location applications. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Bradshaw – Second. Mr. Davis (Ohio Medical Transportation, Inc.) – Abstain None opposed. Motion approved.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Medical Transportation Upgrade in Level of Service applications. Dr. Pomerantz – First. Ms. Bradshaw – Second. None abstain. None opposed. Motion approved.

EMFTS BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc Committee, Deanne Harris

EMFTS Board Committee applications have been received for Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc Committee. Ms. Harris requests a motion to approve Joseph Postage, Tom Duffee, and Joseph Toth as members to the Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc Committee.

ACTION: Motion to appoint Mike White, Joseph Postage, Tom Duffee, and Joseph Toth as members to the Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc Committee. Mr. Davis – First. Dr. Pomerantz – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

The Committee developed a concept of community paramedicine for Ohio. A handout and diagram of the concept was distributed, reviewed and discussed (Handout – Attachment 2).

ACTION: Motion to endorse the Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc Committee concept of Community Paramedicine in Ohio. Mr. Dutton – First. Dr. Pomerantz – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

With the above approval the next step is to look at the current law and what will need to be changed to allow for the practice of Community Paramedicine in Ohio. Once complete, bring actual language to the Board for review and approval. Possibly have ready for discussion during the retreat in February.

The Committee thought while the law was “open” that this may be a good opportunity to look at current 911 dispatch, transport, and destination options. Currently the Board has no authority

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over EMS dispatch. However, Dispatch is already included in the Strategic Plan as Priority Area #2 – Dispatch and has been assigned to System’s Development Committee. After additional discussion the Board agreed that quite possibly another Objective could be added to the current Dispatch Goal. It was also suggested that perhaps Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc Committee should work with the Systems Development Committee to address the 911 dispatch issues.

Per the Committee’s request with the Board’s approval at the October meeting, ODPS Legal Services developed an informational communication regarding the status of community paramedicine in Ohio. The communication was distributed to the Board. The Board and the Committees are asked to review and provide feedback to Anna Firestone.

Next meeting Community Paramedicine Ad-Hoc Committee meeting is March 18, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at ODPS in the Loft conference room.

EMS-Children Committee, Dr. Wendy Pomerantz

The EMS for Children Committee did not have a quorum at their last meeting.

EMSC Performance Measures

The Pediatric Prepared (EDPP) Program is scheduling site visits in February 2014 for Lake Health West Hospital and Lake Health TriPoint Hospital.

The EMSC survey of EMS agencies began on December 1, and have received responses from 24.5% of the agencies selected (110/449). A list of the agencies taking the survey, a PDF copy of the survey itself, and a link to the survey page are on the Ohio EMSC website. The Board is asked to review the list and if you know any of the agencies that have not completed the survey that you remind them to do so.

Other Activities

Research & Analysis staff members are working on a pediatric version of the Ohio Trauma Registry Annual Report. EMSC is also working on pediatric data sheets with information from the EMS Incident Reporting System and the Ohio Trauma Registry for pre-hospital and hospital providers.

EMSC will provide an educational session for the 2014 International Trauma Life Support Emergency Care Conference on the topic of pediatric pain management.

EMSC is planning a second Ohio Pediatric Emergency Medicine Fellows Conference for April 7, 2014, at the American Academy of Pediatrics offices in Columbus. The topic of the conference will be pediatric disaster preparedness.

EMS System Development, Jim Davis

Last meeting was December 17, 2013.

Dispatch

Committee discussed the Action Steps (1.1.1) Research and identify states implementing best practices and review those models; and (1.1.2) Issue a grant to study and develop a report on the existing public safety dispatch practices, providers and centers in Ohio. The grant has been awarded and near completion. Once complete it will assist in determining the gap analysis in identifying the disparity in dispatching capabilities statewide. Once identified will bring forward to the Board with recommendations.

Health and Safety

Searching for additional individuals to assist in this area.

Data

Need individuals to assist with completing the cleanup to the data dictionary to ensure that it coincides with the current national changes.

If anyone is or knows of anyone interested in the above areas and would like to assist, please contact Jim Davis.

A committee application has been received from Karen Beavers. Mr. Davis requests a motion to approve Karen Beavers as members to the EMS System Development Committee.

ACTION: Motion to appoint Karen Beavers as a member to the EMS System Development Committee. Mr. Davis – First. Dr. Pomerantz – Second. None opposed. Ms. Beaver, Mr. Hatmaker – abstain. Motion approved.

Homeland Security, Mark Resanovich

A committee application has been received from Dr. David Keseg. Mr. Resanovich requests a motion to approve Dr. Keseg as members to the Homeland Security Subcommittee.

ACTION: Motion to appoint Karen Beavers as a member to the EMS System Development Committee. Mr. Resanovich – First. Dr. Pomerantz – Second. None opposed. Mr. Davis – abstain. Motion approved.

Education, Pam Bradshaw

The Committee met on November 20, 2013.

Committee assigned to update three position papers:

- 1) eACLS Clarification Statement – the statement was not meant to be defined as a position paper. The statement will be removed and archived.
- 2) Guidelines for Healthcare Provider to Paramedic – working to update with the new curriculum.
- 3) Recommendations and Key Concepts for Cardiology Instruction – after review determined still current and no updates needed.

During the October meeting the Board discussed the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP) pass/fail rate of 70%, vs Ohio Accreditation pass/fail rate of 80%. The Education Committee reached out and was told by CoAEMSP that they revert to the State standards if the State standards differ from theirs. However, with this in mind, the Education Committee would like confirmation from CoAEMSP in writing. Therefore the Education Committee requests that the EMFTS Board send a letter to the CoAEMSP requesting clarification of their accreditations criteria. As this difference between the two could cause someone to be nationally accredited, yet not State accredited.

ACTION: Motion for the Board to develop and send a letter to the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions (CoAEMSP) requesting clarification of their accreditations criteria. Ms. Bradshaw – First. Dr. Pomerantz – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

The review and update of rules 4765-07 4765-12 complete.

Next meeting is January 15, 2014.

Specialty Care Subcommittee

With Dr. Springer's departure, the Subcommittee will not meet until another Chair is named.

Medical Oversight Committee (MOC), Dr. Wendy Pomerantz:

The Committee met on December 17, 2013, however only three members were present. Currently there are only a total of seven members on the committee. In addition to regular members, there is a need of physicians, and with Dr. Springer's department a Chair also needs to be named.

Without a quorum, the Committee was unable to review and vote to accept the new member request. Will hold and review at next meeting.

As discussed in Dr. Cunningham's report, the OSU Medical Center feasibility study for the use of pre-hospital ultrasound has been cancelled until they received IRB approval.

Medical Transportation Committee & Critical Care Sub Committee – Tom Allenstein

The Committee met November 12, 2013 and December 17, 2013.

The reviewed and revised rules (with input from the Critical Care Subcommittee):

- OAC 4766-05 – Medical Transportation ~ Air Medical Rules
- OAC 4766-2-11 – Use of lights and other warning devices, no changes recommended.
- OAC 4766-2-14 – Regulations for out of state providers, recommending rescinding.
- OAC 4766-2-17 – Grounds for suspension, revocation, or denial of license or permit, recommending rescinding.

Recommended changes have been submitted to ODPS Legal Services for review. Once complete will present to the Board for approval.

Two committee applications have been received. However, the Committee is currently at 20 members. The Committee will review the applications at the next meeting and decide if they wish to go beyond 20 members.

Next meeting has yet to be determined.

Critical Care Subcommittee, Julie Rose:

The Subcommittee met on November 12, 2013 and December 17, 2013.

The Subcommittee reviewed the same rules as the Medical Transportation Committee (see above) and forwarded their recommendations to the Medical Transportation Committee.

The Subcommittee received additional committee applications. This will place the number of the Committee beyond the fifteen member maximum. Ms. Rose requests a motion to waive the fifteen member maximum to allow for the additional members.

ACTION: Motion to waive the maximum membership of fifteen to allow for additional members (OAC 4765-2-03 Committees, subcommittees, and workgroups) for the Critical Care Subcommittee. Ms. Rose – First. Dr. Pomerantz – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

With the motion above, Ms. Rose requests a motion to approve Daniel Ellenberger and Marisa Maxey as members to the Critical Care Subcommittee.

ACTION: Motion to appoint Daniel Ellenberger and Marisa Maxey as members to the Critical Care Subcommittee. Ms. Rose – First. Dr. Pomerantz – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

Resource Management, Mark Resanovich

The Committee met December 17, 2013.

At the October meeting the Board was asked to review the revised grant applications and forward any comments. Since then, one additional change was made per Legal Services regarding the new grant process (discussed above) and the potential ethics concern. Mr. Resanovich requested a motion to approve the revised grant applications for Priorities 2 through 5.

ACTION: Motion to approve the revised EMS Grant applications for Priorities 2 through 5. Mr. Resanovich – First. Dr. Pomerantz – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

Priority 1 grant application was also revised. Mr. Resanovich requested a motion to approve the revised grant application for Priority 1.

ACTION: Motion to approve the revised EMS Grant application for Priority 1. Mr. Resanovich – First. Dr. Pomerantz – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

Priority 6 grant application was distributed. Mr. Resanovich requested a motion to approve the grant application for Priority 6.

ACTION: Motion to approve the revised EMS Grant applications for Priority 6. Mr. Resanovich – First. Dr. Pomerantz – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

In August the Board approved a Priority 5 grant award to the University of Cincinnati for a research study entitled “Nasal Naloxone for Narcotic Overdose (N3OD),” which allows for the intranasal administration of naloxone in the treatment of suspected opioid overdose by Emergency Medical Responders and Emergency Medical Technicians who are taking part in the study. The Committee now seeks the approval from the Board to rescind their approval for grant award and not to execute the initial agreement. The contract was never executed; funding was never awarded due to difficulties in the awardee obtaining the correct approval; H.B. 170; and recent changes to their scope of practice. Due to these factors the research project will serve no purpose. The grantee may revise their research project and reapply.

ACTION: Motion to rescind the approval from the August 22, 2013 EMFTS Board meeting for the grant award and not to execute the initial agreement with the University of Cincinnati a research study entitled “Nasal Naloxone for Narcotic Overdose (N3OD),” which allows for the intranasal administration of Naloxone in the treatment of suspected opioid overdose by Emergency Medical Responders and Emergency Medical Technicians who are taking part in the study and request the applicant to reapply. Mr. Resanovich – First. Dr. Pomerantz – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

Next meeting is April 15, 2014.

Time-Critical Diagnosis Ad Hoc Committee, Geoff Dutton

The Committee met December 17, 2013.

The Committee meeting consisted of a conference call with the Time-Critical Diagnosis (TCD) Program Coordinator from Utah. Presented a PowerPoint, answered questions, and shared some ideas as to what to do and what to avoid.

Committee applications have been received from Sara Anderson and Noah Grose. Mr. Dutton requested a motion to approve Ms. Anderson and Mr. Grose as members to the Time-Critical Diagnosis Ad Hoc Committee.

ACTION: Motion to appoint Sara Anderson and Noah Grose as members to the Time-Critical Diagnosis Ad Hoc Committee. Mr. Dutton – First. Dr. Pomerantz – Second. None opposed. None abstain. Motion approved.

The Committee discussed where/how to move forward, where are they now, etc. As they have known all along, EMS is only one small component of TCD, they need to reach out to other key players and bring them all together. The Committee would like to organize a one-day retreat in the near future, of stakeholders with outside presenters and professional facilitator.

The Time-Critical Diagnosis System concept paper was presented to the Board; however, there has been no official action from the Board to except or endorse the concept of time-critical diagnosis. Geoff Dutton requested a motion to endorse the Time-Critical Diagnosis System concept paper as written by the stakeholders and presented to the Board. The Ohio Fire Chiefs' Association has already endorsed to Time-Critical Diagnosis System concept paper.

ACTION: Motion to the Board to endorse the Time-Critical Diagnosis System concept paper. Ms. Harris – First. Ms. Bradshaw – Second. None opposed. None – abstain. Motion approved.

Trauma Committee, Tim Erskine

Trauma System Status

Currently in the State of Ohio there are:

- 48 Trauma Centers (14-Level 1, 13-Level 2, and 21-Level 3)
All exist within 47 Trauma Centers (Metro Health in Cleveland has a Level 1 Adult and a Level 2 Pediatrics. And also includes three hospitals which are upcoming Trauma Centers. (Soin Medical Center, Geauga Medical Center, West Chester Medical Center)

Ohio Trauma Registry Implementation

The Ohio Trauma Registry implementation of the digital innovation technology is on target for the January 1st start date. The only issue thus far is a technical issue between our system and Internet Explorer. We are currently working on a solution, but have yet to find a resolution. The education rollout of the Trauma Registry system has been complete. All hospitals except for one have been trained on the new system.

Trauma Triage Criteria

The Trauma Triage criteria 3-year review is due in September 2014. Staff has begun the review due to the lengthy administrative rule review process. The Board will be asked to review and offer feedback.

RPAB Region I Triage Criteria

The Board received an updated copy of the RPAB Region I trauma triage protocols including the minor amendments from the Trauma Committee for their review. The changes included:

- Page 36 of 187: I. A. should read “16 to 64 years” instead of “Age 16 years and older”
- Page 42 of 187: Change the vital signs table, on the premature line for Respirations Breaths/min to read 40-60 instead of 40-70.
- Page 43: under 1. A. add number 7 to read “Anticoagulation and head injury”

The Trauma Committee requests a motion to approve the RPAB Region I Trauma Triage Protocols with changes. Dr. Pomerantz requested a motion to accept said changes.

ACTION: Motion to approve the revised RPAB Region I Trauma Triage Protocols. Dr. Pomerantz. First. Dr. Steinberg – Second. None opposed. None – abstain. Motion approved.

Trauma Legislative Update, Dr. Steinberg

The Trauma legislation first draft is available. There were a number of corrections and some clarifications needed. The Trauma Committee reviewed, revised and returned to legislation. There will be additional revisions in the future. The second draft should be available within two to three weeks.

OLD BUSINESS

Action Item Update:

Action Item #2013-10-16-2 ~ Executive Director House and Anna Firestone, DPS Legal Counsel was to develop an informational communication to be sent to stakeholders and EMS personnel regarding the status of community paramedicine in Ohio. Once created and approved by the Communication should be sent via list serve and posted on the EMS website created by and come **STATUS:** Statement has been drafted by Anna Firestone, Legal Services. Board is asked to review and provide comments.

Action Item 2013-10-16-1 ~ concerns regarding the potential for Medical Transportation agencies to retaliate against complainants. The issue was assigned to the Case Review Team for further review. **STATUS:** The Case Review Team is working to refine the process to ensure that no repercussion from the agency to the complainant. . However, currently with respect to specific cases, the complaint and response is not always forwarded to the agency. The Case Review Team will continue to report to the Board on progress.

Action Item 2013-10-16-3 ~ The Board requested that the Northern Ohio Trauma System present their findings at a future board meeting, a copy of their final report, along with feasibility study. **STATUS:** The final report was provided to the Board via the Board packet. A presentation will be provided to the Board at the February meeting.

EMS Strategic Plan, Key Focus Areas

EMS Strategic Plan, Key Focus Areas were developed during last year's Board retreat. It has been narrowed down to Key Focus Areas. It has yet to be approved by the EMFTS Board. Although during the new Board orientation in August 2013 the Key Focus Areas were presented they have yet to approved by the EMFTS Board. However, with the merger of the EMS & Medical Transportation Boards, it is certain that there will be additional revisions and/or additions. Therefore, during the EMFTS Board Retreat in February, the EMS Strategic Plan, Key Focus Areas will be reviewed, discussed, possibly revised, presented and then approved by the EMFTS Board. Board members are asked to review prior to the Board meeting/retreat.

NEW BUSINESS

Election of the EMFTS Board Chairman and Vice-Chairman

Nominations for the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for 2014 were submitted and accepted during the October Board meeting. The nominees were Daryl McNutt for Chairman and the nominees for Vice-Chairman were Becky Baute and Deanna Harris. However, Ms. Harris asked that her name be withdrawn.

ACTION: Motion to accept Daryl McNutt as Chairman of the EMFTS Board for 2014. Ms. Baute – First. Ms. Bradshaw – Second. Mr. McNutt Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved

ACTION: Motion to accept Becky Baute's as Vice-Chairman of the EMFTS Board for 2014. Mr. Resanovich - First – First. Ms. Bradshaw – Second. Ms. Baute Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved

Ethics Training:

ACTION ITEM: Mr. Resanovich inquired, in the light of the recent possible ethics violation regarding the grants process, if all members of any EMFTS Committee, Subcommittee, Ad-Hoc Committee, Workgroups, including RPAB members should be required to take annual ethics training. If so, an informational letter should be drafted and sent to all members. After discussion most were in agreement that, although it may not be a required, it may be in the Board's best interest to require all to complete the ethics training. Legal Services has contacted the Ethics Commission and the ethics Commission is researching if it is actually required by law. Anna Firestone will report back to the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: Motion to adjourn. Mr. Resanovich – First. Ms. Bradshaw – Second. None Abstained. None Opposed. Motion approved.

The meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

To be announced.

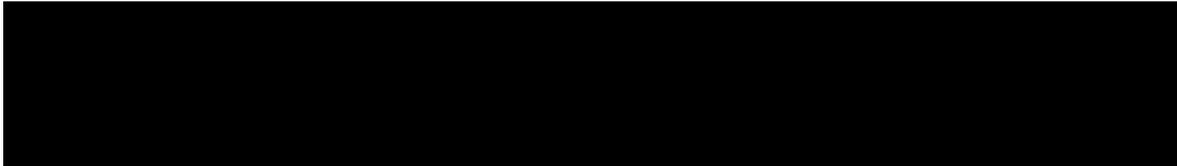
Changing the EMFTS Grants Process (P2 to P5) to Prevent Conflicts of Interest	
1.	<p>Creation of Research Panel: EMFTS Staff will name members to serve on a Research Panel, whose duty it will be to assist the EMFTS Director and EMFTS Staff on various EMFTS Grants items. The panel will consist of persons in the medical field who have an expertise in the area of medical research and emergency treatment of patients, and can recommend future research needs. Members will serve for a three-year term, replaced on a staggered basis. Members can serve either in-state or out-of-state, communicating via e-mail or teleconference methods as necessary.</p> <p>Research Panel Member Restrictions: Cannot apply for a grant; cannot serve on the EMFTS Board or Committee while also serving as a Research Panel Member; and cannot score a grant submitted by their own agency, or one completing with their agency for a grant.</p> <p>Number of Research Panel Members Needed: To be decided by the Executive Director. Minimum of three, maximum of five.</p> <p>Responsibilities of Research Panel Members: Meet to gather topics from various members of entities specializing in adult and pediatric trauma care, traumatic injury effects and injury prevention, rehabilitation retraining and reemployment of adult or pediatric trauma victims, and entities conducting research on EMFTS needs regarding EMFTS procedures, training, or staffing, and recommend research grants for the upcoming EMFTS grant cycle.</p> <p>The panel will also meet in April to review and score all grant applications submitted, which EMFTS Staff will use in making recommendations to the EMFTS Board at the June meeting. The Research Panel may opt to have Applicants make a presentation before the Research Panel during the scoring and recommendation process.</p> <p>Follow-Up: The EMFTS Staff will survey the Research Panel members one year after the creation of the panel to gauge the effectiveness of the process.</p>
	<p>Benefits: According to Rule, Committees in EMFTS must have at least 2 Board members on their roster; the proposed Research Panel, being appointed by the Executive Director and not the Board, can do its work without creating a conflict of interest for any Board member.</p>
2.	<p>The EMFTS Board will retain its role in setting priorities and approving all EMFTS grant applications. The EMFTS Resource Management Committee will be retained; its function will be to suggest hot topic items to the Research Panel for priority 2 through priority 5 grants as these topics are submitted for recommendation at the beginning of the grant cycle, providing knowledge to the entire EMFTS Board of the proposed priority grants for research; once grant applications have been submitted, the Committee will meet to discuss the results of the applications received and provide recommendations to the EMFTS Board. The Resource Management Committee will not vote on either the priorities or the grant applications; these votes are done only by the entire EMFTS Board.</p>
3.	<p>Applicants (and their institutions) receiving an EMFTS extension to file their reports will automatically become ineligible for another research grant until any outstanding reporting requirements have been met for any previous research grants.</p>
4.	<p>No board or EMFTS committee member can be involved in applying for, or being a paid or unpaid participant in, a grant during the year or grant cycle on which they serve as a board or committee member. This is true even if the board or committee member abstains from voting on the grant. Institutions that employ board or committee members are not prohibited from submitting grant proposals; however the Board or Committee member cannot assist the Institution in applying for a grant.</p>
5.	<p>The current process has too much "hand-off and returns" to the Grants Administrator; suggest that the Grants Administrator simply forward the task to another person or group for approval, with a "route-slip" instructing the person or group in possession of the current task to forward it to the next person or group at the completion of their task. A follow-up timeline should be designed for the Grants Administrator to insure the process is moving forward and does not get unnecessarily delayed.</p>
6.	<p>Legal should only need to see an application at the beginning of the process, to approve legal wording in the sample agreement distributed with the application forms. The only other involvement from Legal should be when an Applicant for a grant requests revisions to the agreement language.</p>

How the new Priority 2 through 5 Process will work	Approx. Timeline
Research Panel members are selected by EMFTS Staff	January (Year 1)
EMFTS Staff sets a date for the Research Panel to review hot topics for consideration	February (Year 1)
Notice of Disclosure Obligations to Board or Committee Members to be given at the August Board meeting; i.e., remind Board and Committee members of their obligation to disclose if their institution has an interest in a hot topic research item being discussed. Failure to disclose this information will make their institutions application null and void.	August Board Meeting (Year 1)
Trauma Committee submits hot topic ideas to the Resource Management Committee for priority 2 & 4 grants	August (Year 1)
Other EMFTS Committees submit hot topic ideas to the Resource Management Committee for priority 3 & 5 grants	August (Year 1)
The Resource Management Committee makes recommendations to the Research Panel for hot topics to consider	August (Year 1)
Staff selects priority hot topics with Research Panel	Sept (Year 1)
Draft sample grant agreements, send to Legal	Sept (Year 1)
Resource Management Committee meets to discuss Staff's priority grant research topic recommendations for the Board; forwards staff recommendations with any comments to the Board	Prior to October Board meeting (Year 1)
EMFTS Board votes on suggested topics and priority/funding amounts	October Board Meeting (Year 1)
Staff solicits grant proposals	Prior to Feb 1 (Year 2)
Applicants submit grant proposals by April 1	Feb 1 to April 1 (Year 2)
Staff examines grant applications for potential ethical conflicts	As received (Year 2)
Distribute grant applications to Research Panel	April 1 (Year 2)
Applicants make presentation to Research Panel	April 15 (Year 2)
Research Panel submits scores	May 1 (Year 2)
Staff calculates scores from review sheets	May 1 (Year 2)
Staff adjusts dollar amounts based on OAC	June 1 (Year 2)
Resource Management Committee meets to discuss grant awards recommended by Staff; forwards staff recommendations with any comments to the Board	Prior to June Board Meeting (Year 2)
EMFTS Board votes on staff's proposed grant awards	June Board Meeting (Year 2)
Disclosure must take place by any Board or Committee member whose institution may be applying for a grant approved by the Board	June Board Meeting (Year 2)
EMFTS Staff sends grant agreements to applicants awarded	After July 1 (Year 2)
Mid-year report submitted by award recipient with documentation of work performed and amount paid	By Dec. 31 (Year 2)
One-half payment approved and processed upon receipt of documentation above	Jan 1 (Year 3)
Final Report submitted on research project along with documentation of work performed and amounts paid (30 days after end of Grant Cycle OAC 4765-5-05 (J).)	By Aug-31 (Year 3) JULY 30
Final payment approved and processed to recipient after receipt of above documentation	Sept. 1 (Year 3)

OAC + ORC Reference to the "12-month" grant cycle appears on this chart as the time period between July 1, year 2, and June 30, year 3.

Community Paramedicine

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Seeking Board approval for:

Concept of community paramedicine for Ohio:

- Who: Ohio paramedic for a minimum of 2 years (before applying to program)
- Graduate of an accredited training program that is approved by the EMFTS Board
- Scope of practice: Current scope of practice for Ohio - could expand in future, if needed
- Community paramedicine endorsement - not a certification
- Endorsed community paramedic will require additional CE for specialty as determined by the EMFTs board
- Oversight: medical director with appropriate credentials as approved by the EMFTs board
- Immunity: as per current protection - regardless of where they work while performing CP activities.
- Where practice: per needs assessment for individual community
- QA/ QI: Medical directors are currently required to do QA/QI 4765-3-05 (A)
- Types of care: Pre-hospital services, preventative care, social service referrals, chronic care support, treat and release, follow up care, maintenance
- (Transport) Disposition of patients per community paramedicine protocols and medical direction.

Justification:

Saves health care dollars

Less burden on crowded facilities

Healthier Ohioans / Increased satisfaction with health care decisions



Who provides medical direction?

Where can community paramedics practice?

QA/QI
How is CP measured?

WHO IS OHIO'S COMMUNITY PARAMEDIC?

What level/certification?
Years of experience?
Separate endorsement?
Separate curriculum?
Expanded scope of practice?
Add'l specialty/GE?

Transport: ED vs Non-Ed
How is transport location determined?

Immunity
Liability protection?

Types of Care
Pre-hospital services
Preventive care
Social services referrals
Chronic care support
Treat and release
Follow-up care
Maintenance