



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

**MEETING MINUTES
August 16, 2017**

~FINAL~

Board Meeting Date and Location: Wednesday, August 16, 2017 (10:00 a.m.) at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, Conference room 1106, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio.

Board Members Present: Thomas Allenstein, Kent Appelhans, Karen Beavers, James Davis, Herb de la Porte, Geoff Dutton, Deanna Harris, Steven Jones, Susan Kearns, Phil Koster, Mark Resanovich, Julie Rose, George B. Snyder, Dr. Thomas Tallman, and Dudley Wright.

Board Members Absent: Beth Calcidise and Dr. Hamilton Schwartz.

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

Assistant Attorney General: Trista M. Turley

Public Present: Steven and Moriah Durant, Diane Simon and Matt Wells.

EMFTS Board Meeting

Welcome and Introduction

The meeting began at 10:03 a.m.

Roll Call

Mr. Thomas Allenstein (Chair)	Present	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Ms. Susan Kearns	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Mr. Philip Koster	Present
Ms. Beth Calcidise	Absent	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Mr. James Davis (arrived 10:06)	Absent	Ms. Julie Rose	Present
Mr. Herb de la Porte	Present	Dr. Hamilton Schwartz	Absent
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. George B. Snyder	Present
Ms. Deanna Harris	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright II (V.Chair)	Present
Mr. Steven Jones	Present		

Open Forum

Mr. Allenstein invited the guests to address the Board. Steven and Moriah Durant shared additional information including the 911 call regarding the accident that claimed the life of their daughter, Rosaria. Mr. and Mrs. Durant requested that the Board determine if the EMS providers administered care properly in regards to the accident.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Allenstein requested a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items that were distributed prior to the meeting including the April 20, 2017 EMFTS Board Retreat meeting minutes, May 24, 2017 EMFTS Board meeting minutes, and June 21, 2017 EMFTS Board meeting minutes, as well as the Certificates of Approval and Certificates of Accreditation.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda including the minutes from April 20, 2017 EMFTS Board Retreat meeting, May 24, 2017 EMFTS Board meeting minutes, and June 21, 2017 EMFTS Board meeting minutes, as well as the Certificates of Approval and Certificates of Accreditation. Ms. Beavers – First. Mr. Snyder – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Summary Suspension and Report and Recommendations

Mr. Allenstein introduced himself as the Chair of the State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services. The proceedings were called to order at 10:18 a.m. on August 16, 2017 at the Department of Public Safety.

Roll Call

Mr. Thomas Allenstein (Chair)	Present	Ms. Susan Kearns	Present
Mr. Kent Appelhans	Present	Mr. Philip Koster	Present
Ms. Karen Beavers	Present	Mr. Mark Resanovich	Present
Ms. Beth Calcidise	Absent	Ms. Julie Rose	Present
Mr. James Davis (arrived 10:06)	Absent		
Mr. Herb de la Porte	Present	Dr. Hamilton Schwartz	Absent
Mr. Geoff Dutton	Present	Mr. George B. Snyder	Present
Ms. Deanna Harris	Present	Dr. Thomas Tallman	Present
Mr. Steven Jones	Present	Mr. Dudley Wright II (V.Chair)	Present.

It was noted for the record that a majority of the members of the Board are present. The Board deliberated on one summary suspension and two report and recommendations:

Summary Suspension

- EMS Case Number 2016-513-E100, Glenn F. Burks, EMS Certificate Number 17734.

Report and Recommendations

- EMS Case Number 2016-590-E300, Kenneth Balogh, EMS Certificated Number 3685
- EMS Case Number 2016-621-BE100, Carl E. Murray, EMS Certificate Number 119679

The Respondents did not file objections to the Report and Recommendations in the aforementioned cases. Mr. Allenstein recognized Assistant Attorney General Trista Turley for the purpose of providing a brief synopsis of the cases and a recommendation for disciplinary action.

Summary Suspension

- **EMS Case Number 2016-513-E100, Glenn F. Burks, EMS Certificate Number 17734.** Mr. Burks is certified as a paramedic with an expiration of November 22, 2019. On his renewal application submitted October 4, 2016, he disclosed a sex-related charge was filed against him on or about August 18, 2016. On June 14, 2017 Mr. Burks was convicted in the Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas of sexual imposition, kidnapping with sexual motivation and gross sexual imposition. He was sentenced to four years in prison. The recommendation is for summary suspension.

Report and Recommendations

- **In the matter of EMS Case Number 2016-590-E300, Kenneth Balogh, EMS Certificated Number 3685.** Mr. Balogh is a certified advanced EMT and he applied for renewal on May 25, 2016. A random audit was sent to Mr. Balogh; however, he failed to provide all of the documentation required. The hearing examiner found that he failed to accurately document and report all approved continuing education, failed to satisfy continuing education requirements for the certification level. He has not passed the examination in lieu of continuing education. The recommendation was for a non-permanent revocation.
- **In the matter of EMS Case Number 2016-621-BE100, Carl E. Murray, EMS Certificate Number 119679.** Mr. Murray is a certified paramedic. On January 27, 2017 he was convicted in Clermont County Court of Common Pleas of two counts of theft of drugs and two counts of tampering with drugs. The theft of drugs was from Mr. Murray's employer which included fentanyl and morphine and in some cases the drug was removed from vials and diluted with a replacement substance. The recommendation is permanent revocation.

Mr. Allenstein inquired as to if Mr. Burke, Mr. Balogh, Mr. Murray or their attorney was present. None were present.

EMS Goldmans

These proceedings will be held before the board pursuant to Goldman v. State Medical Board of Ohio where the Respondents did not properly request a hearing in the cases. The individuals named did not have the ability to present written or oral testimony; however they may be present to hear the proceedings and outcome.

All Board members received the sworn affidavits and accompanying exhibits for the Goldman proceedings from the EMS investigators. The affidavits contained the evidence and testimony upon which was deliberated.

There were four adjudications. The proceedings were in the matters of:

- EMS Case Number 2016-84-E300, Timothy A. Seiter, EMS Certificate Number 148837,
- EMS Case Number 2016-124-E300, Jody D. Chilton, EMS Certificate Number 130459,
- EMS Case Number 2016-288-E300, Jill R. Cline, EMS Certificate Number 113398,
- EMS Case Number 2016-293-E300, Christopher D. Evergin, EMS Certificate Number 152613.

Mr. Allenstein recognized Assistant Attorney General Trista M. Turley for the purpose of providing a brief synopsis of the case and the recommendation for disciplinary action.

- **EMS Case Number 2016-84-E300, Timothy A. Seiter, EMS Certificate Number.**
Mr. Seiter is certified as an Emergency Medical Technician with an expiration date of October 18, 2018. On or about September 25, 2015 he submitted his renewal application, attesting that he had completed all continuing education. A random audit was conducted on November 16, 2015; however, he did not respond. Mr. Seiter admitted during a subsequent telephone conversation with EMS investigator that he was short on required continuing education hours. He has failed to respond to the Division of EMS's efforts to resolve this matter. He failed to accurately document and report his approved continuing education, failed to satisfy continuing education requirements for his certification level or pass an examination in lieu of continuing education, and failed to complete continuing education requirement by the expiration date of his certificate. The recommendation is to revoke his certification.
- **EMS Case Number 2016-124-E300, Jody D. Chilton, EMS Certificate Number 130459.**
Mr. Chilton is certified as an intermediate EMT with an expiration date of December 26, 2018. On or about December 18, 2015 he submitted a renewal application attesting that he completed all required continuing education. A random audit was conducted on or about January 15, 2016. He was required to have 60 hours of continuing education for his renewal period; however, he only submitted 12 hours. Mr. Chilton has failed to respond to the Division of EMS in an attempt to resolve this matter. He failed to accurately document and report his approved continuing education, failed to satisfy continuing education requirements for his certification level or pass an examination in lieu of continuing education, and failed to complete continuing education requirement by the expiration date of his certificate. The recommendation is to revoke his certification.
- **EMS Case Number 2016-288-E300, Jill R. Cline, EMS Certificate Number 113398.**
Ms. Cline is certified as an EMS Instructor with an expiration date of February 9, 2019. On or about February 5, 2016 she submitted an application for renewal attesting she completed all continuing education requirements. A random audit was conducted on or about March 15, 2016. Ms. Cline has failed to submit any continuing education for review. She failed to document all requirements for the certificate to teach (OAC 4765-9-02(K) at the time of conduct; however, let the record reflect that now the requirements are in the administrative Code OAC 4765-9-02(L). She failed to meet continuing education or meet the exam requirement for renewal during the certification cycle. The recommendation is to revoke her certification.
- **EMS Case Number 2016-293-E300, Christopher D. Evergin, EMS Certificate Number 152613.** Mr. Evergin is certified as an EMT with an expiration date of February 5, 2019. On or about November 13, 2015 he submitted a renewal application attesting that he completed all of the required continuing education. A random audit was conducted on or about March 15, 2016. Mr. Evergin responded and admitted that he was short on continuing education hours and submitted some documentation for review. The Division of EMS determined that none of the documentation submitted qualifies as proof of continuing education hours. He failed to accurately document and report his approved continuing education hours, failed to satisfy continuing education requirements for his certification level or pass an examination in lieu of continuing education. The recommendation is to revoke his certification.

Having heard AAG Turley's synopses and recommended disciplinary actions for the cases, Mr. Allenstein requested a motion to admit the sworn affidavits and the accompanying exhibits in the aforementioned cases into evidence.

ACTION: Motion to admit the sworn affidavits and accompanying exhibits in the aforementioned case into evidence. Ms. Rose – First. Ms. Harris – Second. None opposed. Motion approved.

There being no further evidence to come before the Board, the proceedings closed at 10:30 a.m. Mr. Allenstein 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 adjourn and go into private session for the purpose of quasi-judicial deliberation on these matters pursuant to ORC Chapter 119 and that are required to be kept confidential under R.C. 4765.102(B). Ms. Beavers– First. Ms. Rose – Second. None abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

Roll Call

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

Summary Suspension

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2016-513-E100, Glenn F. Burks, Certificate Number 17734, I move that the Board issue an order to summarily suspend Mr. Burks's certificate to practice. There is clear and convincing evidence that Respondent's continued practice presents a danger of immediate and serious harm to the public and that the certificate holder has been convicted of kidnapping with sexual motivation, a felony of the first degree, and gross sexual imposition, a felony of the fourth degree. The Board order shall include a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing for violations of Ohio Revised Code 4765.112 and Ohio Administrative Code 4765-10-03(B)(2)(a). Ms. Harris – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None opposed. Mr. Wright - abstained. Motion approved.

Report and Recommendations

ACTION In the matter of EMS Case Number 2016-590-E300, Kenneth Balogh, Certificate Number 3685, I move that the Board issue an adjudication order approving the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and the recommendation of the hearing examiner to revoke Mr. Balogh's certificate to practice. Ms. Harris – First. Mr. Jones – Second. None Opposed. Mr. Wright– abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION In the matter of EMS Case Number 2016-621-BE100, Carl E. Murray, Certificate Number 119679, I move that the Board issue an adjudication order approving the findings of fact, conclusions of law, and the recommendation of the hearing examiner to permanently revoke Mr. Murray's certificate to practice. Ms. Harris – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None Opposed. Ms. Calcidise - abstained. Motion approved.

Goldmans

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2016-84-E300, Timothy A. Seiter, Certificate Number 148837, I move that the Board issue an adjudication order finding that Mr. Seiter failed to comply with continuing education requirements as indicated in the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing and that Mr. Seiter's certification be revoked. Ms. Harris – First. Mr. Jones – Second. None opposed. Mr. Wright - abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2016-124-E300, Jody D. Chilton, Certificate Number 130459, I move that the Board issue an adjudication order finding that Mr. Chilton failed to comply with continuing education requirements as indicated in the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing and that Mr. Chilton's certification be revoked. Ms. Harris – First. Mr. Appelhans – Second. None opposed. Mr. Wright - abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2016-288-E300, Jill R. Cline, Certificate Number 113398, I move that the Board issue an adjudication order finding that Ms. Cline failed to comply with all instructional renewal requirements as indicated in the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing and that Ms. Cline's EMS Instructor certification be revoked. Ms. Harris – First. Ms. Rose – Second. None opposed. Mr. Wright - abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: In the matter of EMS Case Number 2016-293-E300, Christopher D. Evergin, Certificate Number 152613, I move that the Board issue an adjudication order finding that Mr. Evergin failed to comply with continuing education requirements as indicated in the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing and that Mr. Evergin's certification be revoked. Ms. Harris – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None opposed. Mr. Wright - abstained. Motion approved.

EMS Investigations

ACTION: Motion to adjourn and enter executive session for the purpose of discussing proposed disciplinary action against certificate holders pursuant to O.R.C. Section 121.22(G)(1) and pursuant to 121.22(G)(5) that involve matters required to be kept confidential under O.R.C. Sections 149.43(A)(2) and 4765.102(B). Mr. Snyder– First. Mr. Jones – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Roll Call

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

ACTION: Motion to issue a Summary Suspension for the following case: Ms. Harris – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Mr. Wright - Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2016-513-E100

ACTION: Motion to issue Consent Agreements and EIP for the following Education cases: Ms. Harris – First. Mr. de la Porte – Second. Mr. Wright – Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2017-409-E300

2017-410-E300

ACTION: Motion to approve Accreditation with Action Plan for the following Education case: Ms. Harris – First. Mr. Jones – Second. Mr. Wright - Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2017-411-E300

ACTION: Motion to accept the following Consent Agreements: Ms. Harris – First. Ms. Kearns – Second. Mr. Wright – Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2016-711-BE100

2017-252-E300

2017-309-E300

2017-380-E300

2017-231-E300

2017-253-E300

2017-324-E300

2017-404-E100

2017-234-E300

2017-301-E300

2017-365-E100

ACTION: Motion to close the following cases. The following cases have been recommended to be closed due to lack of jurisdiction, referral to local medical director, deferral to department discipline, certifications have expired, or non-violations of ORC and/or OAC. Ms. Harris – First. Mr. de la Porte - Second. Mr. Wright– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2017-89-E500 *Non-Violation

2017-129-E400

ACTION: Motion to close the following cases. The following individuals entered into consent agreements with the board. They have not met the requirements of their consent agreements. Their respective certificates to practice have expired. Re-open if re-applies: Ms. Harris – First. Mr. de la Porte – Second. Mr. Wright– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2012-481-E100

2012-782-E300

2013-434-E300

2012-566-E300

2013-261-E100

ACTION: Motion to close the following cases. The following individuals were audited at their respective levels. They have opted to surrender their certificate to practice or teach. Re-open if re-applies: Ms. Harris – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Ms. Rose and Mr. Wright – Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2017-245-E300 *EMT

2017-321-E300 *PARAMEDIC

2017-250-E300 *EMT

2017-323-E300 *EMT

2017-276-F300 *PARAMEDIC

2017-328-E300 *PARAMEDIC

2017-280-E300 *EMT

2017-334-E300 *EMS INSTRUCTOR

2017-319-E300 *EMT

2017-336-E300 *EMS INSTRUCTOR

ACTION: Motion to close the following cases. Individuals did not provide required documentation; therefore, their applications were rendered incomplete. Ms. Harris – First. Ms. Kearns – Second. Mr. Wright – Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

2017-124-E100

<u>ACTION:</u> Motion to close the following cases, individuals have met the stipulations of their Consent Agreements: Ms. Harris – First. Mr. de la Porte - Second. Mr. Wright – Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.	
2010-356-E100	2016-258-E100
2010-381-E100	2016-615-E100
2013-691-E300	2017-198-E100
2016-146-BE100	

<u>ACTION:</u> Motion to issue Notice of Opportunity for Hearing for each of the following cases: Ms. Harris – First. Mr. Snyder – Second. Mr. Wright– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.		
2013-710-E300	2016-598-BE100	2017-185-E300
2014-231-E300	2016-700-E300	2017-212-E400
2014-473-E300	2017-37-E400	2017-233-E300
2016-152-E100	2017-76-E400	

<u>ACTION:</u> Motion to issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing. Ms. Harris – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. Mr. Wright, Mr. Jones and Ms. Rose– Abstained. Mr. de la Porte - opposed. Motion approved.	
2014-522-E100	

<u>ACTION:</u> Motion to issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing. BCI 90 days and at renewal. Ms. Harris – First. Mr. Snyder – Second. Mr. Wright– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.	
2017-168-BE100	

<u>ACTION:</u> Motion to accept the proposed Consent Agreements for the following cases. Ms. Harris – First. Mr. de la Porte - Second. Mr. Wright and Mr. Davis – Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.	
2016-336-E400**Accept proposed consent agreement	2016-337-E400**Accept proposed consent agreement

<u>ACTION:</u> Motion to close the following cases due to one of the following reasons; inadvertently marked yes to conviction question, misdemeanor convictions which the Board has previously deemed “not involving moral turpitude”, continuing education cases which now meet the requirements, non-patient care issues, and grandfathering issues of certification/conviction. Ms. Harris – First. Mr. de la Porte – Second. Mr. Wright– Abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.			
2016-548-BE100	2017-327-E300	2017-375-E100	2017-399-E500
2017-254-E300	2017-342-E100	2017-386-E100	2017-403-BE100
2017-281-E100	2017-351-E100	2017-387-E100	2017-413-E100
2017-285-BE100	2017-352-B100	2017-388-BE100	2017-416-BE100
2017-325-E100	2017-366-E100	2017-390-E100	2017-417-BE100
	2017-374-BE100	2017-391-BE100	2017-442-E100

EMFTS Board Chair's Report, Tom Allenstein

Mr. Allenstein stated that the goal is to streamline the Board meeting. He requested that the Board members read all of the information in the Consent Agenda and Board Packet that is sent prior to the Board meeting.

EMS Legislative Liaison, Emily Mayfield

Ms. Mayfield stated that there were some updates since they received their Board packet.

Senate Bill 177; a half reintroduction of SB292 and HB488 from last general assembly. This bill includes the volunteer healthcare immunity. The bill will most likely not go to committee.

Senate Bill 178; reintroduction SB165, the MOLST legislation. Ms. Mayfield will provide the members that will be on the committee so that the organizations can reach out to the committee members regarding this bill.

A Board member inquired about HB 195 and asked if there any concerns with this bill? House Bill 195, which is also know as the ambulette bill which will exempt taxi cabs or ubers from ambulette regulations. HB 195 is a reintroduction from HB365 from last general assembly. The EMS legislative liaison's office is working on drafting a definition and then present to the chair.

A Board member inquired about House Bill 69 and any potential movement forward. Ms. Mayfield stated that the EMS Legislative Liaison's office will be monitoring this bill.

House Bill 71; the EMS work hour bill. An interested parties meeting was held and the intentions are only directed to private EMS providers. The industry was very well represented. Ms. Mayfield reported that they will continue to monitor this bill.

ACTION ITEM: Ms. Mayfield to provide an analysis of the legislative bills to Ms. Koker to distribute to the Board members.

State EMS Medical Director Report, Dr. Carol Cunningham

Dr. Cunningham reported that a new application for membership was received for the Regional Physicians Advisory Board. Dr. Cunningham requested that Dr. Miguel Gaeta be approved for the RPAB membership for Region 3.

ACTION: Motion to approve Dr. Miguel Gaeta for membership to the Regional Physicians Advisory Board for Region 3.the updated version of the RSI position paper regarding waveform capnography. Mr. Davis – First. Mr. Jones - Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

The RPAB Chair meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 1:00 pm. The need for RPAB membership for regions 7 and 8 remain.

The final documents of the NASEMSO National Model EMS Clinical Guidelines are scheduled to be submitted to NHTSA by September 8, 2017. The NASEMSO annual meeting will be held October 9-12th in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dr. Cunningham attended the National EMS Advisory Committee (NEMSAC) in Washington D.C. An advisory to support the performance of a practice analysis of mobile integrated healthcare systems and community paramedicine was passed. An advisory was also passed that recommended that all of the titles of EMS providers be transitioned to “paramedics”. Supported by a soon to be published paper on EMS and fatigue, the NEMSAC recommends that agencies allow EMS personnel to take naps while on duty and the provision of 24-hour shifts. Funding and reimbursement is currently active in Federal House Bill 3236 and Senate Bill 967.

Assistant Attorney General, Trista Turley

Ms. Turley reported that there was a case out of the Ohio Supreme Court to determine whether or not licensing or certifying Boards can require disclosure of a sealed criminal conviction on a licensing application. The Courts answer was “sometimes”; however, it depends on the relationship between the conviction and the job position. The Attorney General’s office is working on an analysis regarding this matter.

Executive Director and Staff Reports, Melvin House

Executive Director House reported on the vacant and seats expiring.

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

- Three seats remain vacant or expired:
 - Seat #2, Trauma Surgeon
 - Seat #5, Trauma Program Manager
 - Seat #10, EMS Provider

- Six seats expire November 12, 2017.
 - Seat #3, ER Pediatrician
 - Seat #4, Hospital Administrator
 - Seat #9, EMS Provider
 - Seat #13, EMS Provider
 - Seat #16, Owner/Operator of Private EMS Service
 - Seat #19, Ambulette
 - Seat #21, Third-service agency

The nomination letters will be sent to the nominating organizations within the next week. Once the Division receives the nominations they will be sent to the Governor’s office. As a reminder, the seats that expire on November 12, 2017 will remain active for an additional 60 days or until the seat is filled.

EMS Staff

Staff vacancies

- Data Manager, conducting interviews
- Epidemiologist, an offer tendered
- Administrative Profession 4 for the Deputy Director

Jean Booze introduced the new Division of EMS certifications Administrative Professional 4, Jodie Parker and the Administrative Professional 2, Robin Burmeister.

Joel Demory, the Chief of Investigations, introduced the new EMS investigator, Patrick Williams.

Executive Director House introduced the new Division of EMS Deputy Director Rob Wagoner who has extensive knowledge and experience in emergency medical services. Mr. Wagoner will be responsible for the Trauma Committee, Grants, Investigations and the data section of the Division of EMS. Mr. Rob Wagoner received the 2017 National Association of EMS Educators Lifetime Achievement Award.

On August 27th all of the Ohio Department of Public Safety's data systems will be moved to Department of Administrative Services. During the hours of 4:00 am to 4:00 pm on this date, the system will be unavailable for renewals or take fire examinations. The DEMS staff is contacting stakeholders and those persons who expire on that day so they can renew before that day.

The CARES project subscription of \$15,000 has been approved in the budget and will be effective on January 1, 2018. The entire state will be able to participate in the CARES project without paying the individual subscription fee. The Ohio State University is a partner and in the process of hiring a CARES coordinator.

The ethics training is required for all EMFTS Board members and all members are required to take the training online by the end of the year. Instructions will be provided by Ms. Koker to all Board members.

Ms. Owens reported that OAC 4765.29 indicates that EMS providers will only receive three attempts to successfully pass the exam; however, it does provide the exemption for the Board to authorize remediation for additional testing. Previously the Board followed the guidelines of the National Registry at the EMT, AEMT, and paramedic levels. At the EMR level the National Registry limits the candidate to the three attempts with no remediation. The recommendation is that the Board should align with the guidelines of the National Registry.

Mr. Snyder moved that the Board recognizes the remediation required by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians following failure of the third attempt at the examination for EMT, AEMT and Paramedic, be accepted as the approved training for applicants seeking to test up to three additional attempts. All other requirements for successful completion of the examination is set forth in OAC 4765-8-05 and qualifications for a certificate to practice is set forth in OAC 4765-8-01 shall still apply. Mr. Snyder further moved that no additional examinations beyond the three attempts be permitted at the Emergency Medical Responder level unless the applicant successfully completes a new course of instruction. All other requirements for successful completion of the examination as set forth in OAC 4765-8-05, and qualifications for a certificate to practice as set forth in OAC 4765-8-01 shall apply.

ACTION: Motion to approve that the Board recognizes the remediation required by the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians, following failure of the third attempt at the examination for EMT, AEMT and Paramedic, be accepted as the approved training for applicants seeking to test up to three additional attempts. All other requirements for successful completion of the examination is set forth in OAC 4765-8-05 and qualifications for a certificate to practice is set forth in OAC 4765-8-01 shall still apply. No additional examinations beyond the three attempts be permitted at the Emergency Medical Responder level unless the applicant successfully completes a new course of instruction. All other requirements for successful completion of the examination as set forth in OAC 4765-8-05, and qualifications for a certificate to practice as set forth in OAC 4765-8-01 shall apply. Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Jones – Second. None opposed. Motion approved.

EMS Certification, Extensions & Exemption Requests, Jean Booze

Jean Booze reported that there were 37 EMS extension requests for June 2017 and 42 in July 2017 totaling 79 EMS standard 90-day extension requests. The staff recommends approval and requests a motion to ratify the extensions.

ACTION: Motion to ratify the 90-day EMS extension requests from April 2017 and March 2017.

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

Jean Booze reported that the new EMS certifications for June 2017 are 1,388 and 1,320 for July 2017. The total for April and May are 2,708 new EMS certifications. The staff recommends approval and requests a motion to ratify new certifications.

ACTION: Motion to ratify the new EMS certifications for June 2017 and July 2017. Mr. de la Porte – First. Ms. Beavers – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Jean Booze reported on the CE exemption requests. There is one EMS dual certified military exemption; 2017-8-4. They are currently overseas on active duty. There is three medical exemption request; 2017-8-1, 2017-8-2, 2017-8-3. All documentation was received for these requests. Staff recommends approval and requests a motion to approve.

ACTION: Motion to approve the military CE exemption request for 2017-8-4 and medical CE exemption requests 2017-8-1, 2017-8-2, and 2017-8-3. Mr. Jones – First. Mr. Snyder– Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Education, John Molnar

Mr. Molnar requested that Burghill Vernon Fire Department be removed from the Certificates of Approval that was originally included in the Consent Agenda.

ACTION: Motion to remove Burghill Vernon Fire Department from the Certificates Approval that was originally included in the Consent Agenda. Ms. Beavers – First. Mr. Jones – Second. None opposed. Mr. Snyder – abstained. Motion approved.

Mr. Molnar distributed the new Certificates of Approval. One new site and four additional sites have been added since the Board packet was distributed. The recommendation is to approve a new site and four additional recommended for renewal.

ACTION: Motion to approve a new continuing education site and four additional continuing sites recommended for renewal. Ms. Beavers – First. Mr. de la Porte – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

A site inspection was completed at the Franklin County Firefighters Grant Medical Center EMS Education site and they were found to be in compliance. The recommendation is accreditation and a five year renewal.

ACTION: Motion to approve Franklin County Firefighters Grant Medical Center EMS Education for accreditation and a five year renewal. Mr. Davis – First. Mr. Dutton– Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Medical Transportation – Dave Fiffick

Dave Fiffick presented the list of medical transportation renewal applications with expiration dates of June, July and August 2017. Staff is requesting a motion and approval pending a satisfactory inspection.

ACTION: Motion to approve the medical transportation renewals with expiration dates of June, July and August 2017; pending a satisfactory inspection. Ms. Rose – First. Mr. de la Porte – Second. None opposed. Mr. Koster (Community Ambulance Service) - abstained. Motion approved.

Dave Fiffick presented the list of medical transportation application for a new service. Staff is requesting a motion and approval pending a satisfactory inspection.

ACTION: Motion to approve the medical transportation new service applications for 10 ambulettes and 1 ambulance; pending a satisfactory inspection. Ms. Harris – First. Ms. Rose - Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Dave Fiffick presented the list of new medical transportation headquarters (2 ambulettes, 2 ambulances, 1 air medical) and new satellite locations (2 ambulettes, 4 ambulances, 1 air medical). Staff is requesting a motion for approval pending a satisfactory inspection.

ACTION: Motion to approve the medical transportation new headquarters (2 ambulettes, 2 ambulances, 1 air medical) and new satellite locations (2 ambulettes, 4 ambulances, 1 air medical). Staff is requesting a motion for approval pending a satisfactory inspection. Ms. Harris– First. Ms. Kearns – Second. None abstained. None opposed. Motion approved.

Board Committee Reports

EMS Children’s Committee, Karen Beavers

Ms. Beavers reported that the National EMSC Data Analysis and Resource Center (NEDARC) has confirmed that Ohio EMS for Children will conduct a survey of Ohio EMS agencies from November 1, 2017 to January 31, 2018. This survey will feature initial data gathering for new EMSC Performance Measures, including the presence of a pre-hospital Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator and the extent of skills training and competency demonstration for pediatric care. More information will be brought to the EMFTS Board over the next few meetings.

Ohio EMS for Children is working on a workshop for EMS agencies on the duties of a Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator. The workshop will focus on the information in the article

“Resource Document: Coordination of Pediatric Emergency Care in EMS Systems,” which was published in Prehospital Emergency Care. Dr. Julie Leonard of the Ohio EMSC Committee is a co-author of this publication. Current dates for workshops are:

- Cincinnati: Oct. 6
- Athens: Oct. 13

- Columbus: Oct. 27
- Toledo: Nov. 3
- Akron: Nov. 16
- Youngstown: Nov. 17
- Cleveland, Dayton: TBD

More details on locations and registration will follow shortly.

Steven Belville has resigned from the EMS for Children Committee.

The Ohio Pediatric Disaster Preparedness Coalition met on June 8, 2017. The Coalition is developing guidelines for dealing with unaccompanied minors during a disaster. The Coalition is continuing work on increasing pediatric capacity for emergency care of children and transport needs during a hospital evacuation. A tabletop exercise featuring the evacuation of a NICU is planned for this fall. The next Coalition meeting is September 21.

Dr. Julie Leonard and staff at the Center for Injury Research and Policy at Nationwide Children's Hospital are updating the "EMTs and Injury Prevention" manual and converting it to a series of video modules which will be designed to be available through the ODPS Training Campus. The first module will be on the topic of child abuse, and will be designed to be appropriate for both EMS providers and law enforcement officials. The introductory module was previewed by the EMSC Committee yesterday, and the Committee voted to recommend to the EMFTS Board that the Board grant continuing education hours for EMS providers for this training.

ACTION: Motion to table the recommendation for the continuing education hours until the program is completed and reviewed by the Education Committee and Dr. Cunningham.
Mr. Snyder – First. Dr. Schwartz – Second. None opposed. Mr. Davis – abstained. Motion approved.

EMS System Development Committee, Ms. Harris

Ms. Harris reported that the committee met; however, there has not been a quorum. The committee discussed the annual report, data, and conversions with Digital Innovations®.

The next meeting will be held October 17, 2017.

Homeland Security Sub-committee, Ms. Harris

The next meeting will be on September 15th rather than on the first Friday due to the Labor Day holiday. Ms. Harris reported that the October meeting will be held at the Emergency Management Agency and the November meeting will be held at the Ohio Department of Health in the state warehouse.

Ms. Harris stated that the Active Shooter Awareness Training was included in the Board packet that was sent to all the Board members. She requested a motion to approve the Active Shooter Awareness training power point.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Active Shooter Rescue Task Force Awareness Training Power Point. Mr. Resanovich – First. Mr. Jones – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Active Shooter Rescue Task Force Awareness Training for initial certification and all others to complete the training one time after it has become available.

Mr. Resanovich – First. Mr. Dutton – Second. Under Discussion Mr. Snyder suggested this be sent to the Education Committee to be integrated into the education plan.

ACTION: Motion to table the motion until the next EMFTS Board meeting scheduled for October 18, 2017. Mr. Davis – First. Mr. Snyder – Second. Ms. Harris, Mr. Dutton, Ms. Kearns, Mr. Appelhans, Mr. Resanovich – opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

A discussion ensued as to why the training refers to an active shooter and not an active aggressor. The active shooter definition is used by the FBI and the committee decided to stay with their definition.

ACTION: Motion to post the Active Shooter Awareness Training online for continuing education and to amend the rules for the training to be mandatory for initial certification. Mr. Resanovich – First. Mr. Davis – Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

ACTION ITEM: Dr. Cunningham will create the exams for the Awareness Training now that the Board has approved the content.

EMS Rural Committee, Karen Beavers

Ms. Beavers reported that Joe Stack, the EMS Children Committee liaison, spoke to the committee regarding the pediatric care coordinator.

The committee's critical goals includes improving communication, recruitment and retention.

The next committee meeting will meet on October 17, 2017.

EMS Education Committee, George Snyder

Mr. Snyder reported that the Education Committee did not have a quorum.

The committee will review other professions in relation to a paramedic.

The next committee meeting will meet on October 17, 2017.

Medical Oversight Committee, Geoff Dutton

Mr. Dutton reported that the issues regarding drug exchanges and the Board of Pharmacy rules. Dr. Charlton completed research on the subject. The committee will continue to follow up on the issue. Mr. Dutton requested that all board members ask if any of the organizations been cited. It was suggested to reach out to the Board of Pharmacy for the number of citations.

Dr. David Schwerin resigned from the committee due to him moving out of Ohio.

The next meeting will be October 17, 2017.

Trauma Committee, Diane Simon

The Committee met on July 12th. Ms. Simon welcomed Rob Wagoner and looked forward to work with him

The trauma rules have had some slight editions during their review process.

The trauma maps designating the trauma centers in Ohio is located on the EMS website. A regional map is being created.

The Education and Trauma Committee has sent out a survey regarding trauma education at each hospital for their nursing staff.

A burn surgeon has been appointed to the Trauma Committee. The EMFTS Board tasked the committee to research the burn centers in Ohio and to explore the reason why there are so few burn centers.

The next meeting is September 6, 2017.

ACTION: Motion to approve the filing of the Business Impact Analysis for Ohio Administrative Code Chapters 4765-4 (Reporting Delivery of Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Care) and 4765-14 (Trauma Triage) with the Common Sense Initiative Office. Mr. Snyder – First. Mr. Dutton - Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Medical Transportation Committee, Tom Allenstein

Mr. Allenstein reported that the Medical Transportation C met and had a quorum. The committee discussed the strategic plan and goals.

The Medical Transportation Committee has 15 members and have lost a couple members. Mr. Allenstein requested a motion to extend the number of members to 17 members.

ACTION: Motion to approve the extension of Medical Transportation Committee members to seventeen (17) members. Mr. de la Porte – First. Mr. Dutton- Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Mr. Allenstein requested a motion to add two new members, Bob Norton and Lisa Feicht, to the Medical Transportation Committee.

ACTION: Motion to approve the addition of two new members, Bob Norton and Lisa Feicht to the Medical Transportation Committee. Mr. de la Porte – First. Mr. Dutton - Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

The next meeting will be held October 17, 2017.

Critical Care Subcommittee, Julie Rose

Mr. Appelhans reported that the committee met and focused on the strategic plan and gap analysis.

ACTION: Motion to approve the addition of two new members, Bob Norton and Lisa Feicht to the Critical Care Sub-Committee. Ms. Rose – First. Mr. Appelhans - Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

Time Critical Diagnosis, Geoff Dutton

Mr. Dutton explained that the formal committee has not met since having the stakeholder engagement conferences. Mr. Dutton requested a motion to sunset the Time Critical Diagnosis Committee.

ACTION: Motion to sunset the Time Critical Diagnosis Committee. Mr. Dutton – First. Mr. Davis - Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

EMS Star of Life Awards, Dr. Tallman

Ms. Harris suggested that a lifetime achievement award be given at the EMS Star of Life Awards. She suggested that Jack Liberatore be the first recipient and then continue the award in his honor. Dr. Tallman reported that the committee will make a recommendation and that he will present this suggestion to the Ohio chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians.

Old Business

Mr. Allenstein pointed out that the December board meeting will be on the second Wednesday, December 13th and the committees will meet December 12th. He also stated that the dates for the EMFTS Board retreat will be February 13th, 14th, and 15th in 2018. It was noted that the EMFTS Board meeting will be held on February 15, 2018.

Strategic Plan

Mr. Allenstein suggested that the strategic plan should tie into the mission; therefore, the Board shall use ODPS's mission statement. There are five pillars that correlates to the mission statement:

- Quality
- Prevention and Wellness
- Human Resources
- Access
- Sustainability

Mr. Allenstein presented the objectives of each of the pillars and what were some of the issues that might go under each pillar. ***Attachment available upon request.*

Mr. Allenstein requested approval of the outline for the EMFTS Board's Strategic Plan and to move forward with the committees populating the specific tactics under each pillar.

ACTION: Motion to approve the five pillars of the Strategic Plan and to move forward on populating the plan. Dr. Tallman – First. Ms. Beavers - Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

New Business

Executive Director House explained that the goal is to have rules that are consistent. The education rules are due for review. The Division of EMS needs clarification of some of the rules where there were concerns raised by the committee members.

Mr. Molnar distributed the rule review information containing the MOC committee comments.

The Division currently re-accredit programs based upon their first time pass rate and overall pass rate. The suggested changes are to look at the first time pass rate and the third time pass rate.

A discussion ensued on the scope of practice regarding capnography (a graph) and capnometry (a numeric measurement).

ACTION: Motion to approve the language to state capnography or capnometry in the EMR rules of the OAC. Mr. de la Porte – First. Mr. Davis - Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

The Medical Oversight Committee brought their recommendation to the Board to remove the reference to specific dosage.

ACTION: Motion to approve the Medical Oversight Committee's recommendation to remove any reference to specific dosage. Mr. de la Porte – First. Mr. Dutton - Second. None opposed. None abstained. Motion approved.

A discussion ensued on the scope of practice regarding capnography or capnometry for EMT's. It was noted that an EMT can perform the same actions that an EMR performs; therefore, there is not a need for a change.

The Medical Oversight Committee and the Education Committee have come to an agreement regarding intubations. A motion will be brought before the Board at the October 18, 2017 meeting.

A law was passed and is in effect that allows EMS personnel to volunteer to provide healthcare services to indigent or non-insured patients and receive up to one-third continuing education credit. There are many issues regarding this law. The legal department is working on guidelines.

The Medical Oversight Committee believed that the EMR level should be allowed to use glucose monitoring. Dr. Cunningham indicated that the National EMS Scope of Practice Model has been the foundation for Ohio's scope of practice. The National EMS Scope of Practice Model is currently being revised.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm. Mr. de la Porte – First. Mr. Jones – Second.

NEXT MEETING: EMFTS Board meeting will be held on October 18, 2017 at the Ohio Department of Public Safety, 1970 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio.