

EMS

Governor's Advisory Council

February 12, 2014

Minutes

Member's Present

Dr. Timothy Calicott
Jamin Snarr
Dr. Steven Strode
Sidney Ward
David A. Stoppel
Rod Barrett
Cathee Terrell
Tony Hickerson
Denise Carson
Dr. Karl Wagenhauser
Sherriff Jody Dotson
Doug Duerr
Martha Fisher Simpson – Conference Call

Member's Absent

Todd Freeman
Garry Odom
Dr. Darren Flamik
Rev. Mark McDonald
Greg Stubblefield
Niki Cung

EMS Staff

Greg Brown
Sonya Sampson
Helen Huitt
Ryan Tyler
Jack Hill
Karston Bradford
Amy Berryman
Jamie Clark

Visitors

Rick Rouser	Sandy Pryor	Annette Tatum	Tim Tackett
Kurt Cypert	Gerald Cantrell	Brad Schulz	Robert Fox
Brandon Foshee	Keith Marsee	Danny Bercher	Ken Kelly
Scott Endres			

Visitors – via Conference Call

Sedley Tomlinson
Laura Guthrie
Wesley Gay

I. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Timothy Calicott called the EMS Advisory Council to order on February 12, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. at the Section of EMS, Suite 801, Little Rock, AR.

II. WELCOME/INTRODUCTION

Members and guests introduced themselves and new Council Members were given opportunity to introduce themselves.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The floor was open for approval of the November 13, 2013 Minutes. A motion was made by David Stoppel and seconded by Cathee Terrell to approve the minutes. The motion was passed by Council and the November 13, 2013 Minutes were approved.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

I Section Chief Update – Greg Brown gave update and discussed the following:

- The Office of EMS has two open positions – Licensure Administrator position that closes next week and EMS Specialist position. Working on projects to include online training (CEU Site) update on the use of the CE website; Data Program update – upcoming changes to the EMS Data Registry and program; Online new application and renewal website – application website is functional; Mass Casualty Rules and Regulations Revision – potential start dates.
- A-1 Licensure Report – Karston Bradford gave the following report:

1692 are to renewal 03/31/2014
EMT **1060**- Advanced EMT **28**-Paramedic-**605**

Statewide totals:

Currently: as of	02/05/2014	11/06/2013	07/27/2013	05/21/2013	
	02/13/2013				
Total EMSPs (+187)		6967	6778	6865	6671
Licensed EMTs (+133)		4773	4640	4733	4608
Licensed Advanced EMTs		137	137	137	135
Licensed Paramedics (+56)		2057	2001	1995	1928

From 11/06/2013 to 02/05/2014 initial licensures are:

EMT's	144
Adv. EMT's	1
Paramedic's	<u>45</u>
	190

<u>Classes Approved by the Section of EMS.</u>	<u>Jan 2014:</u>	<u>For the Year:</u>
Basic: Full classes	43 Courses	43
Refresher/Transitional classes:	78 Courses	78
Advanced: Full Classes - Paramedic	8 Courses	8
AEMT	2 Courses	2
Advanced transitional classes:		
Paramedic	37 Courses	37
Instructors:	335 Licensed (EMT 66, Adv. EMT 16, Medic 253)	
	31 Provisional	
	1 Instructor Courses (for the year)	

CEU Approved

785 roughly on line CEU's since Sept 2013-Jan 2014

Regulatory

<i>Since Sept 2013</i>	Total Services	209
	Total Vehicles	684 (ground and air ambulances)
Series 700	Service	15
	Ambulance	46
Series 200	Service	25
	Ambulance	72
<i>Service closed Sept 2013</i>	Viking Aviation	12/2013
<i>Services added since Sept 2013</i>	AR State Police	NE area
<i>Pending approval</i>	Paramedic Ground Service	
<i>Backgrounds</i>	618	(08/25/2013 - Present)
Total for year of 2013	1185	

A-3 Reciprocity Report – Karston Bradford gave Reciprocity Report.

A-4 Trauma Systems Report – Joe Martin gave the following Trauma Report:

- Working on Trauma Rules and Regulations and invoicing. 1.6 million have been administered to EMS services, 1 million is left. Currently converting to FY15.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

B-1 EMSC - Jack Hill gave report.

Judy Taylor, who stepped down from her position with EMSC, was presented with a framed certificate and acknowledge for her work with EMSC.

The EMS-Children program has completed the assessment for Arkansas. All ground EMS agencies that respond to emergency calls were sent an assessment to complete. For the first time, Arkansas achieved a 100% participation rate. This is truly impressive for our state. It shows as real concern by everyone in EMS to improve Pediatric Care in Arkansas. Jack Hill thanked everyone involved.

The EMS-Children Program started an initiative last year to assist BLS services with Pediatric BLS equipment. This program was developed for services that hold a BLS license only. An email was sent to all BLS services and we had a great response. We had 20 BLS Services respond to the program. Thank you to all of them that picked up the bags or made arrangements for shipping. The EMS-Children Program hopes the equipment can assist all of you with Pediatric Care. This initiative is now closed. Please look for other initiatives from the EMS-Children Pro-gram in the future

The EMS-Children Program has an exciting year ahead. 2014 is our 30th Anniversary of the EMS-Children Program. At the Program Managers meeting in July there will be special recognition of those that have assisted the program over the Years. Please keep a look out in this Newsletter for information.

The EMS-Children Program is currently organizing a one day event that will focus on Pre-Hospital care of Pediatrics. The particulars of the day are still being ironed out. Similar Expos are held across the country and sponsored by EMS-Children Programs. This would be a first for the Arkansas EMS-Children Program. More information will be published as details are finalized. Below are a couple of projects that the program will be focused on during the coming year. Other projects are in development and we will have more information at a later date.

B-2 Training Committee – Canceled due to weather

B-3 EMS Rules and Regs – Greg Brown gave report. Questions and concerns were made about new EMS Rules and Regulations. Motion was made by Denise Carson to create a workgroup to address these concerns. Motion second by Rod Barrett, motion passed by council. The workgroup will consist of the following:

Jamin Snarr
Rod Barrett
Cathee Terrll
Denise Carson

B-4 Air Ambulance Regulations Sub-Committee – David Stoppel gave report. Met at 8 a.m, discussed pre-established landing areas, Trauma Grant Funding, Rules & Regs. Next meeting May 14, 8:30 a.m.

B-5 EMS Data Committee – Ryan Tyler gave NEMESIS 3.0 update and discussed the data submission deadline.

B-6 EMS Trauma Subcommittee Report – Tim Tackett gave report. The committee meets every third Tuesday at 10 a.m. discussed out of state Trauma patient banding, aeromedical response and coordination – have joint meeting with ambulance subcommittee to discuss and form workgroup.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- Rules & Regulations – potential changes to EMS Rules
- Community Paramedicine/Paramedic – Gerald Cantrell, Baxter Regional EMS handed out and discussed pilot program
- Field EMS Bill – Rod Barrett requested letter of support for the Field EMS Bill. A motion was made by Jamin Snarr for a letter of support from the Governor’s Advisory Council to support EMS Field Bill – the motion was seconded by David Stoppel and passed by Council.
- ACEP Report Card. Dr. Flamik discussed the ACEP Report Card report
- Election of Officers – There was an election of Chair/Vice Chair for the Governor’s Advisory Council.

The floor was open for nominations for GAC Chair and Vice-Chair. Jamin Snarr nominated for Chiirman, motion was made to cease nominations. The Council voted in favor and Jamin Snarr is now EMS Governor’s Advisory Chairman.

David Stoppel was nominated for Vice-Chair, motion was made to cease nominations. The Council voted in favor or David Stoppel as Vice-Chair of the EMS Governon’s Advisory Council.

VI. NEXT MEETING DATES

The next EMS Governor’s Advisory Council meeting will be held during EMS Week at the Office of EMS, 5800 West 10th Suite 800, Little Rock Wednesday, May 21, 1:30 p.m.

VII. ADJOURN

A Motion was made by Cathee Terrell to adjourn and seconded by David Stoppel. Meeting was adjourned at 2:13 p.m.