

EMS

Governor's Advisory Council

August 1m 2013

Minutes

Member's Present

Dr. Timothy Calicott
Garry Odom
Dr. Steven Strode
Sidney Ward
David Stoppel
Rod Barrett
Cathee Terrell
Tony Hickerson
Denise Carson
Doug Duerr
Delores Sykes
Jamin Snarr

Member's Absent

Dr. Karl Wagenhauser
Billy Artis
Todd Freeman
Norbert Gunderman, Jr.
Dr. Darren Flamik
Niki Cung

EMS Staff

Greg Brown
Sonya Sampson
Amy Anthony
Helen Huitt
Cody Andrews
John Keeling
Ryan Tyler
Jack Hill
Karston Bradford
Robert Laws

Visitors

Joe Martin	Donna Ward	Ken Kelly	John Benjamin
David Chreene	Shirley Hines	Allen Usrey	Man Taylor, MD
Heidi Erb	Robby Hines	Jeff Taber	Judy Dykes
Larry New	Brooke Turnsatt	Michael Perrin	Robert Fur
Tim Tackett	Tania Hale	Renee Mallory	Amanda Warren Newton

I. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Timothy Calicott called the EMS Advisory Council to order on August 1, 2013 at 1:02 p.m. at the Office of Emergency Medical Services 5800 W. 10th Suite 800, Little Rock.

II. WELCOME/INTRODUCTION

Members and guests introduced themselves.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The floor was open for approval of the May 22, 2013 Minutes. A motion was made by Jamin Snarr and seconded by David Stoppel to approve the minutes. The motion was passed by Council and the May 22, 2013 Minutes were approved.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

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

- The Office of EMS is currently fully staffed. Working on projects to include online renewal that should be up and running in a couple of weeks. The online renewal process will look a lot like National Registry. By the end of year the bubble form should be phased out. Everything should be online including making payments..

A-1 Licensure Report – John Keeling gave the following report:

September 30, renewals were mailed out in July, 2013

1554 Were up for renewal 09/30/2013

EMT 1024- Advanced EMT 32-Paramedic-363

Statewide totals:

Currently: as of	07/27/2013	05/21/2013	02/13/2013	11/07/2012
Total EMSPs (+194)	6865	6671	6813	6645
Licensed EMTs (-125)	4733	4608	4722	4605
Licensed Advanced EMTs(-4)	137	139	134	136
Licensed Paramedics (-23)	1928	1951	1905	1873

From 11/06/2012 to 02/13/2013 initial licensures are:

EMT's	117
Adv. EMT's	6
Paramedic's	50
	173

Classes Approved by the Section of EMS since August 2012:

Basic: Full classes 48 Courses

Refresher/Transitional classes: 145 Courses

Advanced: Full Classes - Paramedic 11 Courses
AEMT 2 Courses

Advanced transitional classes:
 Paramedic 66 Courses

Instructors: 297 Licensed
 34 Provisional
 4 Instructor Courses

CEU Approved

Information will be provided by: John Keeling
1153 CEU's have been entered since 3/1/2013

A-2 Regulatory Report – Helen Huitt gave the following Regulatory Report:

<i>Since July, 2013</i>	Total Services	205
	Total Vehicles	676 (ground and air ambulances)
Series 300	Service	22
	Ambulance	104

Optional Skills

CPAP	48
CVAP	5
Thrombolytic	7
RSI	22 (One is in review status at this time)
Adult Tibial	54
Huber Needle	25

One Service closed May of 2013 **Emergency Medical Transport – Glenwood BHMCA – Arkadelphia (SP)**

Backgrounds **201 (08/24/2013)**

Total for year of 2013	645
Total since requiring	18,229

A-3 Reciprocity Report – Cody Andrews handed out and reviewed Reciprocity report. There are currently forty-one (41) candidates awaiting reciprocity at this time. Of those candidates there are thirty one (31) EMT basic, eight (8) paramedic and two (2) advanced EMT applicants. As of July 31, the Section of EMS has granted reciprocity to 122 EMS personnel to practice in the state of Arkansas. Of those who have already been granted reciprocity there were forty-three (43) EMT basic, seventy-six (76) paramedics and three (3) advanced EMT candidates. Average 30 days to get reciprocity process. Karston Bradford is helping with reciprocity.

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

- Closing and opening of new grant PO's; about 20 – 3- EMS services still have not applied for grants
- PI Process – more educational
- Rumor AWIN radios are not 2016 compliance – AWIN system may lose coverage but will be taken up by other coverage – not going to affect radios. Will send out letter stating radios are good.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS

B-1 EMSC - Jack Hill gave report. The EMS-Children Program held its inaugural Simulation Exercise on July, 25, 2013. The program would like to express a special thanks to NorthStar EMS for allowing us the opportunity to provide this training; and would like to express a thank you to Donald Shull, Owner, Tonia Hale, Operations Director, and Dr. Fincher, Medical Direction for their support. Also, would like to thank Searcy Public Schools, and all the EMS crews who participated. Eleven EMS crews went through the simulation. Several things were learned during this first exercise that will continue to improve this program for years to come. Sixty-four hospitals participated in the survey on Pediatric Readiness Project. NorthStar was presented a certificate of appreciation. Should your service wish to have an event please contact Jack Hill, EMS-Children, Program Manager at the Office of EMS for more information.

Services will get letter in next few weeks about a Heat Related Video.

B-2 Training Committee – Jamin Snarr gave report. Reorganizing - changed times every training site should have a representative at the meeting. Discussed National Registry pass rates.

B-3 EMS Rules and Regs – Greg Brown gave report. Presented Rules & Regs to Board of Health last week; they will then go to Governor's Office for signature. Greg thanked everyone for their help and support.

B-4 Air Ambulance Regulations Sub-Committee – David Stoppel gave report. Met today

B-5 EMS Data Committee – Ryan Tyler gave presentation on EMS Data. Provide individual dashboard for each ambulance service. Have as many data points as you want. Would like to know what kind of data points is wanted by the services. The Section is trying to get as many data points services would like to have particularly about the

system of EMS. As dashboard is being developed, the Section would like input from the services.

B-6 EMS Trauma Subcommittee Report – Tim Tackett introduced himself as chair of EMS Trauma Subcommittee. The subcommittee has changed their date to third Tuesday at 10 a.m. Next meeting will be August 20, 2013. Looking at the deliverables – three main issues – funding, simpler measure and evidence based.

C. PROJECT UPDATES

C-1 RSI Update – Dr. Calicott gave report 1362 RSI since program began.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Advanced Directors update – Senate Bill 1013 / ACT 1264 passed. It is an ACT TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS HEALTH CARE DECISIONS 8 ACT; TO PROTECT PATIENTS' RIGHTS TO MAKE THEIR OWN 9 HEALTH CARE DECISIONS; TO PROMOTE ADVANCE DIRECTIVES; 10 TO PROVIDE LEGAL PROTECTION FOR PATIENTS' RIGHTS; AND 11 FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Bill will be posted on the EMS Website; this Bill is health care specific, not EMS specific – please contact Greg Brown for further information and/or clarification.

VI. NEXT MEETING DATES

The next EMS Governor's Advisory Council meeting will be held Office of EMS, 5800 West 10th Suite 800, Little Rock November 6, 2013, 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.