

Training Committee Minutes, February 15, 2006

Called to order at 10:05

Members present: Norajean Miles, Jamin Snarr, Monte Gagliardi, Jerry Hutchison, Danny Bercher, Mike Davidson, Garry Odom, Janie Kennedy, Sedley Tomlinson,

Members absent: Mack Hutchison, Lisa Robles, Robert Mabry, Timothy Kundert, Wesley Gay

Guests: Montie Jones, Timothy Calicott, MD, Stella Nelson, Rod Barrett

The committee reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting. Jerry Hutchison requested the following changes:

Mack Hutchison's name was misspelled

Sedley Tomlinson & Capt. Davidson were actually present instead of absent or not listed.

Motion to accept minutes with changes made: accepted

III. A. First Responder Survey

The committee reviewed the latest draft of the Emergency Medical Responder recommendations. Garry Odom brought the information in lieu of Liza Robles, EMR committee chair who was absent. There was discussion over the name of the certification level:

Capt. Davidson motion: Emergency Medical Responder to be the name

Second by Sedley Tomlinson

Motion passed

Discussion of 4 years for recertification period. EMRs have choice to keep National Registry or to simply maintain state EMR certification. The group agreed to stay with the 4 year recertification cycle.

Discussion of EMRs working during transport on page 4. The committee agreed to stay with the proposal.

Dr. Calicott suggested that we have state protocol for EMRs. The committee agreed to allow for further comments for the next meeting on this issue.

Add #4 to page 4

Will read, "Will follow state protocols in lieu of local medical direction.

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Discussion of Military applicants

Strike out the contents of "a." and replace with "course as approved by section of EMS"

The committee expressed concern that naming the specific military course could quickly become obsolete with newer courses and situations.

Discussion of National Standard Curriculum changing to National Education Standards. Look over the draft and send comments before next training committee meeting in May.

There was discussion of the CEU requirement for EMTs. Present document suggests 20 hours over a 4 year period. No consensus was decided.

III. B. Computer Based Testing – Beta Test

Norajeau stated that 13 states, 1200 EMTs would be involved.

Ark is only doing the advanced level

Will pay the same fee as now. NR will pick up the difference

Ark has 110 slots available in June & July.

Norajeau has 5 classes available. If they pass CBT, they will be certified. If they do not pass the CBT examination, the results will not count against them. Their next exam will be a written exam.

Everyone will do NR applications online as of January 1, 2007. Practical exams are not required as a prerequisite to CBT at the advanced level..

IV. New Business

Monte Jones with Certified Intensive Care Paramedic (CICP) as presented by the Cleveland Clinic Program.

Mr. Jones made a presentation about the CICP and offered the program to Arkansas. He suggested that the CICP program could help individual states with legislative efforts.

Board of Critical Care Transport

Integrate a critical care curriculum from around the states.

Similar to CCRN for nursing.

CICP Certified Intensive Care Paramedic may be accepted for the higher side Medicare reimbursement.

Meeting adjourned at 1145

Next meeting May 17, 2006 at 10:00 am.