



## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**Time:** 10:00am

**Location:** MADE Facility

1610 Reeves Rd.

Plainfield, IN 46168

**Members Present:** G. Lee Turpin – *Private Ambulance/ Chairman*

Matthew Shady – *Training Institution*

Darin Hoggatt – *Municipal Fire*

Jerry Harder – *EMTs*

John Zartman – *Paramedics*

Andrew Bowman – *Emergency Nurses*

Mary Ann Dudley – *Volunteer EMS*

Dr. Jim Nossett – *Medical Director*

Lori Mayle – *Air Medical Services*

Joel Thacker – *Executive Director of Indiana Department of Homeland Security*

**Members Present Online:** Dr. Sara Brown – *Trauma Physicians*

Matthew McCullough – *Volunteer Fire EMS*

**Ex-Officio Members:** Kraig Kinney (*Indiana State EMS Director*) – (non-voting)

Dr. Eric Yazel (*Indiana State EMS Medical Director*) – (non-voting)

**Members Not Present:** Brian Herwig – *Hospital EMS*

**Others Present or Present by Teleconference:** Stan Frank, Robin Stump, Emily Castor, and other members of the EMS community.

Complete video of this meeting can be viewed at the following link:

<https://acadisportal.in.gov/acadisviewer/Registration/ListOfAvailableTraining>

## **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Meeting was called to order at 10:00am by Chairman Lee Turpen. Emily Castor called roll and announced quorum. Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

- ❖ Adoption of minutes from the March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023, sessions.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to approve the minutes from the previous meeting listed above. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nossett. Roll call vote was taken:**

**G. Lee Turpen: Yes    Matthew Shady: Yes    Darin Hoggatt: Yes    Jerry Harder: Yes  
John Zartman: Yes    Dr. Sara Brown: Yes    Matthew McCullough: Obstain  
Andrew Bowman: Yes    Mary Ann Dudley: Yes    Dr. Jim Nossett: Yes    Lori Mayle: Yes  
Joel Thacker: Yes**

## **HONORARY CERTIFICATES**

### **1) Stork Awards**

- a) Kayla Hilburt, Stephen A. Matson, Chelsea Spina, and Bryce Wilson.

### **2) Cardiac Saves**

- a) Brett Burlington, Zachary Aveline, Levi Dewey, Kelsey Gray, Dustin Harris, Mitch McCollum, CJ Mullett, Deputy Kevin Crull, Payton Busenbark, Andrew Tryalor, TJ Blye, Sebastian Shriver, and Brendon Mitchell.

### **3) EMS Director's Award (Emeritus)**

- a) William Landes, William Stacy Mabrey, and Troy Morgan.

### **4) EMS Star of Life**

- a) Kyle Matthews, and Kyle Osgood.

## **INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

- 1) Trauma System Update—No update at this time.

## **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

1) Director Kinney states that there is no real legislative update at this time other than implementation. There will be information coming up regarding the Governors Public Health Commission funding, as well as creating the education piece that is broad, but will include anything from mental well-being into suicide issues, as well as PTSD. Director Kinney also states that they are looking to partner with the Fire and Public Safety Academy as this will be something they will be using as well. He also states that the legislative update for next year, looking forward to working with their partners, as they will be looking into obtaining subpoena authority to conduct agency investigations as most other state agencies have that. Director Kinney states that we are usually successful as we do have the authority to request information from our providers but if the hospital was not the supervising hospital, they may not share pertinent information needed for certain investigations. There will be more information to come on this in the future.

## **EMS FOR CHILDREN**

- 1) Director Kinney reported for Margo Knefelkamp. He states that the EMS for children and IDHS will begin meeting to prepare for the first national prehospital pediatric readiness project, or PPRP. This is an assessment that will occur in May 2024. The PPRP assessment is based upon 2020 pediatric readiness EMS systems joint policy statement technical report. Respondents to the PPRP assessment or receive a gap. Analysis report automatically generated upon completion of the assessment. For more information on this you can visit, [emscimprovement.center](https://emscimprovement.center).

## **INDIANA FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION**

- 1) Director Kinney reported for Jarrod Sights, reminding all of the upcoming Indiana Emergency Response Conference beginning on September 13, 2023, and ending on September 16, 2023. He reports that registration is now open and that there will be several Keynote speakers, one of which will be Dr. Yazel. Director Kinney stated that the banquet in which the state approved awards will be given will be on that Friday night of the conference and encouraged attendance to the event.

## **INDIANA EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ASSOCIATION (IEMSA)**

- 1) Tom Frentis presented in place of Bob Miller. Mr. Frentis stated that he would like to remind everyone of the upcoming 2nd annual IEMSA and Indiana ENA emergency, educational conference. Registration for the event was open at the time of the meeting. If you've submitted an abstract for a presentation, those are currently being reviewed as they go through a double-blind review process. He did mention that the mixer will be in a larger room this year compared to last year's conference. This will be held in French lick Indiana from November 30, 2023, to December 1, 2023. For more event information you can go to [indianaems.net/events](https://indianaems.net/events).

Bob Miller later in the meeting stated that during their recent Golden Siren Awards, five total Golden Siren awards were given, and he states that they are currently working on the date for next year so that those who would like to attend can plan ahead accordingly. He also states that they are taking nominations for the awards next year. This award is for somebody who has spent 25 years or more in EMS who have made great contributions during the times of service. Mr. Miller also states that Doug Randall will be taking over the Governor's cup this year, and there will be competitions in all of the regions. There will be more information on the games in the future, but he does state that the finals will be held at the conference in French Lick in November and after that the winners will be announced during the conference.

## **EDUCATIONAL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

- 1) Commissioner Zartman reported that the educational oversight committee had two meetings on July 6, 2023, that included in-depth discussion regarding the current advanced EMT level that the state has. He reminded the committee that they were tasked at first to add in the five additional rhythms that were previously with the Indiana, advanced EMT back into the curriculum that Commissioner Zartman states after much debate it was decided that those

additional rhythms should not be added back into the curriculum. This is due to the possible dismissal of a patient due to cardiac monitoring when monitoring is not needed, or the patient would not be accepted at that facility on the monitor and sent back to its previous institution. Commissioner Zartman states that the committee did have a few recommendations for the commission to consider, which would be to teach the current practice, as is, with a few modifications or to go back and look at the practice analysis and decide what really needs to be done at that level. If they're wanting to advance to that level with the cardiac monitoring component then that would require an extensive education process, which would equate to an additional 50 hours of A&P, 200 to 300 hours of cardiology, along with the pharmacology aspect. This would all equate to an additional 350 hours after the basic EMT certification hours. Commissioner Zartman states that with the second recommendation, the timeframe would take 2 to 3 years to fully implement all changes. Commissioner Turpen added that with the second recommendation there would have to be a review of regulation in order to ensure that this was included as Advanced Life Support by definition, in order to inadvertently disrupt Paramedic level reimbursement.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Brown not to expand scope of practice to include advanced cardiac monitoring for AEMTs. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoggatt. Roll call vote was taken on the program:**

G. Lee Turpen: Yes    Matthew Shady: Yes    Darin Hoggatt: Yes    Jerry Harder: Yes  
John Zartman: Yes    Dr. Sara Brown: Yes    Matthew McCullough: Yes  
Andrew Bowman: Yes    Mary Ann Dudley: Yes    Dr. Jim Nossett: Yes    Lori Mayle: Yes  
Joel Thacker: Yes

Commissioner Zartman then stated that the committee discussed psycho motor exams for AEMTs as it was reported that the national registry will be doing away with said exams, July 1, 2024. He states that this has now been directed back to you each individual state as to how they would like to proceed moving forward. The committee is a recommendation is that the Education Oversight Committee developed 2 to 3 testing components that include both Trauma and Medical as well as some form of alternate station that will be utilized through the IDHS state Sim Lab, utilizing state staff and current proctors. this is due to the low number of testing sites that exist currently. The committee will develop those scenarios and those scenarios would be kept safe by the state.

Director Kinney then reported on the student minimum competency for this scenario-based training. The student minimum competencies that are recommended would be guidance to training institutions that do advanced EMT courses. This will inform them as to what they should be covering when it comes to skill set. Director Kenny states that at this time they would like to adopt the student minimum competencies for advanced EMT that will be completing courses after July 1, 2024.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to adopt the advanced EMT minimal competencies along with developing a state examination, utilizing the state Sim lab for advanced EMT level psycho motor exams. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bowman. Roll call vote was taken on the program:**

G. Lee Turpen: Yes    Matthew Shady: Yes    Darin Hoggatt: Yes    Jerry Harder: Yes  
John Zartman: Yes    Dr. Sara Brown: Yes    Matthew McCullough: Yes

Andrew Bowman: Yes    Mary Ann Dudley: Yes    Dr. Jim Nossett: Yes    Lori Mayle: Yes  
Joel Thacker: Yes

## **MOBILE INTEGRATED HEALTH COMMITTEE**

- 1) Director Kinney reported on the most recent MIH Committee meeting on Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at the MADE Facility in Plainfield. Director Kinney stated that the Committee does have a recommendation for a new program, Scott County EMS. He also stated that the committee recognized Steve Davison for his retirement and that he will no longer hold his place on the MIH Committee. At this time there is an opening for his position, Municipal MIH/ CP representative. The committee heard a presentation from the Indiana Department of Health's Virology Lab regarding their ILINet Sentinel Site program. They also created subcommittees that consist of, Individual Credentialing, Shane Hardwick will be the chairperson, then Organizational Credentialing, the chairperson position is still open and then Sustainability with Nate Metz being the chairperson. The subcommittees' purpose is to help with the developing rules and guidelines for the future state of MIH in Indiana that will then be presented to the EMS Commission for approval. The Next MIH Committee meeting is on August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 10:00am at the MADE Facility in Plainfield.
- 2) Emily Castor presented the new MIH program that are up for consideration: Scott County EMS.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to approve the MIH program presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nossett. Roll call vote was taken on the program:**

G. Lee Turpen: Yes    Matthew Shady: Yes    Darin Hoggatt: Yes    Jerry Harder: Yes  
John Zartman: Yes    Dr. Sara Brown: Yes    Matthew McCullough: Yes  
Andrew Bowman: Yes    Mary Ann Dudley: Yes    Dr. Jim Nossett: Yes    Lori Mayle: Yes  
Joel Thacker: Yes

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1) Director Kinney presented on the non-rule policy for certification dishonesty. This non-rule policy was originally approved in 2020. This was to provide consistency with audits are treated and when people think or do things incorrectly. Director Kinney reports that there have been increasing issues with certification dishonesty. The policy essentially states one has to have signatures before you submit an online renewal, and that when the commission approached it, it was that the individual would have a conversation with their respective medical directors or organizations, and could look at it, and determine if these were accurate. The question that was brought up is if an EMS provider organization, utilizes a computer-based EMS education tracking system and has a policy or procedure to verify employee compliance with continuing education and receives approval from IDHS then that organization may provide signatures on the cover page of the continuing education form with the date after they review, as well as the transcript following compliance. The example given was from Fishers Fire Department, and they state that they control their employees. They know where they are with education, and their medical Director can see it all as well, so it was thought to be okay. After speaking with Director Kinney, they paid the fine and did not argue but did ask if there was something that we could do differently?

From IDHS's standpoint they can produce the transcript as it doesn't make sense for them to fill out the state form but verification from everyone on the cover sheet will still be required, but is it as important to get their signatures the day before, since their organization is actively engaged? Director Kinney states that he feels this would be a good addition to the nominal policy to allow this, and he notes that state approval will still be required.

There was then a discussion regarding a reasonable exception when there are organizations that are demonstrating more active nature, and monitoring continuing education and whether that should be an exception to ensure employees are renewing on time versus individuals, completing the online form and attempting to renew without all the required documentation.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to approve addition to non-rule policy for continuing education standards, determining if provider organizations can submit renewals on behalf of individuals when using an electronic monitoring system as stated above. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Harder. Roll call vote was taken:**

G. Lee Turpen: Nay   Matthew Shady: Nay   Darin Hoggatt: Nay   Jerry Harder: Nay  
John Zartman: Nay   Dr. Sara Brown: Nay   Matthew McCullough: Nay  
Andrew Bowman: Nay   Mary Ann Dudley: Nay   Dr. Jim Nossett: Nay   Lori Mayle: Nay  
Joel Thacker: Nay

**A motion was made by Commissioner Shady to remove the phrase "dated after", and add "dated before" to the existing non-rule policy as stated above. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. Roll call vote was taken:**

G. Lee Turpen: Yes   Matthew Shady: Yes   Darin Hoggatt: Yes   Jerry Harder: Yes  
John Zartman: Yes   Dr. Sara Brown: Yes   Matthew McCullough: Yes  
Andrew Bowman: Yes   Mary Ann Dudley: Yes   Dr. Jim Nossett: Yes   Lori Mayle: Yes  
Joel Thacker: Yes

After continued discussion Executive Director Thacker suggested a motion to table to subject for a later date and discussion.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Shady to table this non-rule policy change for a later discussion. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. Roll call vote was taken:**

G. Lee Turpen: Yes   Matthew Shady: Yes   Darin Hoggatt: Yes   Jerry Harder: Yes  
John Zartman: Yes   Dr. Sara Brown: Yes   Matthew McCullough: Yes  
Andrew Bowman: Yes   Mary Ann Dudley: Yes   Dr. Jim Nossett: Yes   Lori Mayle: Yes  
Joel Thacker: Yes

2) Director Kinney then addressed another non-real policy change for continuing education standards for primary instructors. It is proposed to add primary instructor hours that are both educational hours as well as adult education techniques. Adult education techniques refers to the topics of educational philosophy and techniques, which is in the actual rule itself that is the term that is used there. We recommend basic coaching and motivational techniques used in instructional situations, as well as an adaptation of a lesson plan or material to specific instructional situations. Learning styles of students, and how instructors can adapt teaching styles, types of learning, disabilities, methods for dealing with them, methods of dealing with disruptive and unsafe behavior, communication skills, necessary to be an effective instructor.

In addition to how to provide evaluation feedback to students or give evaluation data, so that the feedback is timely, and specific enough for the student to make efforts to modify behavior. Clear objective and relevant and would include suggestions based on data. Use and limitations of teaching methods and techniques, how to supervise other instructors and students during training, given and training scenario with increased hazard exposure so that the applicable safety standards and practices are followed, and instructional goals are met, development of students, evaluation, instruments, support, instruction, and evaluation of testing results conducting and needs assessment for an organization, an individual, and instead of students, instructor liability, and legal issues related to education such as recent instructor course is that produce a completion, certificate and education, offerings or education meetings by IDHS and national registry about education, policies and practices. It was noted by a staff member that this is what is used for the fire side as well, and it would be consistent with what they count for their instructor hours as well. We also suggested the liability and legal aspects which are important in education and the next would cover instructor courses.

Director Kinney then moves onto address teaching hours. Teaching hours are educational sessions or public safety or based upon the emergency medical services, curricula, which in continent, are either less than or equal to the primary instructor's level of clinical certification. While traditional classroom or virtual classroom sessions are acceptable, and they also include presentations at conferences or groups so long as a topic is EMS-based in the primary instructor is the one presenting or part of the prisoners, while public safety presentations are permissible to the majority of teaching hours should be on EMS curricular items. Finally, both adult continuing education techniques and teaching hours must be approved by affiliated training institutions. Director Kinney explains that this was also brought to the educational oversight committee, and a few changes were made such as the addition of national courses, and the committee was in support of this change. Director Kinney states that the non-rule policy gives better guidance to instructors and training institutions for what continuing education is required of a primary instructor. At this time, we would ask for approval of the non-rule policy as modified.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to approve the non-rule policy for Primary Instructor continuing education standards as modified, as stated above. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Shady. Roll call vote was taken:**

**G. Lee Turpen: Yes    Matthew Shady: Yes    Darin Hoggatt: Yes    Jerry Harder: Yes  
John Zartman: Yes    Dr. Sara Brown: Yes    Matthew McCullough: Yes  
Andrew Bowman: Yes    Mary Ann Dudley: Yes    Dr. Jim Nossett: Yes    Lori Mayle: Yes  
Joel Thacker: Yes**

Director Kinney presented on the EMS workforce challenges survey of 2023. This presentation includes information, not only from the survey that was conducted, but also from two open forums with instructors, and were able to get good suggestions from them. The demographics of the survey showed that the primary role and EMS for those responding were 72% clinician 20% administration and 8% education. When asked certification level 55% responded paramedic 35% responded EMT 7% responded AEMT and 3% responded EMR. When asked about years of service, 46% had more than 20 years. The survey said that this will not address pay because that has to do with a different funding system but most everyone

cited that pay as being the biggest challenge to EMS recruitment as well as the biggest barrier to EMS enrollment and reasons for leaving in EMS. Though reasons for staying and EMS 64 participants stated that the reason they stay is their passion for helping others 24 responded with serving their community 15 responded with making a difference 11 responded with relationship to coworkers and 10 responded with it being their “calling”. The survey also asked for individuals to “rate the following concepts that IDHS is considering in terms of how you believe it would benefit in EMS” with the first being direct scholarship to new candidates with 45% stating that it would be a high benefit. The strongest response was the ratings for reimbursement programs not only for training institutions, but for successful candidates and EMS employers ranging from 49% to 59.4%. The equipment considerations that would be coming from this would be LUCAS devices, full-size training, mannikins, high, Fidelity, Sim, labs, power cots, and stair chairs.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

- 1) No assignments to report.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS**

#### 1. Waiver Orders

- a) Personnel Waiver
- b) Provider Waivers
  - I. 836 IAC 2-7.2-1 –Allow AEMT coverage when AEMT is available, not 24/7.
    - a. Carlisle Lions Community Ambulance Service
    - b. Center Fire Department
  - II. 836 IAC 2-2-1 (g) –Allow Paramedic coverage when Paramedic available, not 24/7.
    - a. Lake Ridge Fire Protection District
  - III. 836 IAC 2-7.2-1 (f & g) and 2-7.2-3 (h) –Allow AEMT coverage when AEMT available, not 24/7 and only carry AEMT and allow EMR or Drive with AEMT during transport.
    - a. Ramsey Volunteer Fire Department
  - IV. 836 IAC 1-2-5, 2-2-1 (g & h) –Allow non-24-7 at Paramedic level, allow EMR with Paramedic during transport and allow RN in back during inter-facility transfers.
    - a. Steuben County EMS
  - V. 836 IAC 2-2-1 (h) –Allow patient compartment configuration to be independently functioning RN and RN is required to complete additional training on topics to be approved by Lutheran Hospital.
    - a. Lutheran Hospital
  - VI. 836 IAC 2-2-1 (g) & 4-4-1 € --Allow non-24/7 at Paramedic level and allow EMT to administer topical calcium gluconate.
    - a. Kaiser Warrick EMS
  - VII. 836 IAC 2-14-3 –Allow ALS non-transport to be certified with no back up alarm, no reflective certification numbers and allow blue lights.
    - a. Allen County Sheriff’s Department

#### 2. Discipline Orders

- a) Personal
  - I. Certification Denial
    - a. Deleon, Marilyn

- b. Henry, Dock
- II. Letter of Reprimand
  - a. Ball, Monty
  - b. Coby, Jose
  - c. McCammon, Christy
  - d. Weber, John
- III. Suspension—30 Days
  - a. Werking, Steven
- IV. Probation—2 Years
  - a. Acker, Austin
  - b. Altman, Dylan
  - c. Davis, Lori
  - d. Hall, Kaitlyn
  - e. Hampton, Christian
  - f. Henry, Dock
  - g. Lasater, Jacob
  - h. Maddox, Corbin
  - i. Main, James
  - j. Niccum, Andrew
  - k. Reese, Matthew
  - l. Sergi, Francis
- V. Revocation—7 Years
  - a. Dulaney, Troy

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **1) Data Registry – Ken Foster**

a. Mr. Foster reported the data reports for the month of May. He states that EMS reporting had gone up 2% from April and June is expected to improve even further.

### **2) Operations Report – Robin Stump**

a. Ms. Stump reported that Jason Smith and Don Watson were absent from the meeting today as they were conducting a Stop the Bleed course for the Indiana department of health. She also reports that the DPMU exercise that took place out at the Indianapolis international airport in June went well. Ms. Stump also reported that 12 providers closed with two of those being ALS organizations, and of those 12 providers five of them were either absorbed or bought out by other services. She also reports that they were 10 new services last year as well.

### **3) Certifications and Compliance Report – Kraig Kinney**

a. Director Kinney reported for certifications and compliance. He states that Emily Castor, MIH Coordinator, handles those applications and has been Teri Dearmin as back-up. Director Kinney then recognized EMS's new certification specialist, Ashley Johnson. I at this time Dr. Kinney and reviewed the second quarter certification numbers as well as those that renewed for the June 30, 2023, quarter. For those that did not renew for the June 30, 2023, quarter, the highest being EMR at 26%. The customer service ticket tracker reported 136 tickets submitted between April 1 and June 30, 2023. Director Kinney states that 244 audits were conducted on audits received before April 1 to June 30, 2023. 32 audits have no response or in complete response to the audit and were not timely result (13% of the audits). EMS violation statements, which are notification of a criminal arrest or conviction,

sixty five individuals have checked yes notifying us of an arrest or conviction during the second quarter of 2023 of those 49 individuals have been resolved with either clearing, or a sanction issued and seven have had further information requested, five have pending criminal cases, and the final four are scheduled for team review the next week.

#### 4) **EMS Education and Training – Kari Lanham**

a. Mrs. Lanham reported at the last meeting the commission had asked for a list of all the training institutions in their stats as well as the State report for the EMT, Advanced and Paramedic programs. These reports were from January 1, 2023, till present day. Mrs. Lanham stated that the state of Indiana's pass rate for EMTs on the first try was 62% with the national average at 71%. For the advanced level, the state the state average was 66% passing on the first attempt in the national average what is 61%. For the paramedic the state of Indiana's pass rate what is 71% on the first attempt and 74% as the national average. Mrs. Lanham also reported that she attended AcrediCon in June in Louisville and during that time, she was able to better understand how the accreditation process works. She also states that the first quarterly PI meeting was held in June, during this meeting, there were two sessions, which made this more accessible for more PIs to attend. She then spoke about the school of EMS and reports that they are in the process of being a certified training institution for the state of Indiana.

### **STATE EMS DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- 1) Director Kinney states that they are still working with the Bowen Center regarding the workforce study. They are currently looking into how to release an assessment, whether that be through Acadis or another route. At this time they are halfway through their contract, and there are brief questionnaires out at this time regarding each individual certification level. Director Kinney also states that there will be updates on the HanTevy contract in the near future. He states that he attended the NASEMSO conference, held in Reno, Nevada this summer and there was re-elected chairperson and will remain on the Board of Directors as well. He also reports that there has been good discussion with national registry regarding EMS compact. The IT department within IDHS has been working with national registry to create that pipeline for certification. This is not only useful for the Compact but also for reciprocity as well. Director Kinney also states that the EMS compact also has a new Executive Director, Donnie Woodyard, who has ties to Indiana, as he worked with Westfield, and then moved on to the national registry, and has since become Compact Director located in Colorado. Director Kinney then encourages attendance for IERC coming up in September as well as the IEMSA conference in November as they will provide good connections, and it's a good place for networking as well as observing quality presentations. He also touched on a previous agenda item, K-9 operational animal treatment with vets, this did move forward to the board of animal health and then through legislation, and it was stated that that was something that EMS providers could do and that there would be some immunity protections if they did that. This does not directly impact the EMS commission or IDHS. At this time, a recommendation was made that this BLS procedures only as continuing education would be difficult. In closing, Director Kinney recognized Dr. Chris Box who recently retired from the Department of Health.

### **STATE EMS MEDICAL DIRECTORS REPORT**

- 1) Dr. Yazel touched again on the advanced monitoring, stating the importance of being intentional with our education on monitor indications, and ensuring our emergency departments are understanding of those indications as not, every patient requires advance monitoring. Dr. Yazel also states that with the questions received regarding scope of practice, there are checklists online that reference that and states that they are a good quick reference but also may add an FAQ switch, which would be beneficial as well. He also states that he has hosted the fourth state in-service in June, during which he does a provider of the month to try and get some positive recognition for our providers in the field things every day. Dr. Yazel then gave an update on the Whole Blood pilot programs that are continuing to make progress and are edging closer to getting things running as this would make a significant impact on our trauma systems.

### **CHAIRMAN'S REORT AND DIRECTION**

- 1) Commissioner Turpen did share with the commission that the ET3 model program will be stopped effective at the end of this year as directed by the federal government. The given reason for this is that they cannot quantify the savings, but there will be a listening session with Social Security, Medicaid, and Medicare services on July 20th. There will be more to come on that in the future as this program is a sub-component of MIH and Community Paramedicine

### **NEXT MEETING**

Next EMS Commission meeting at IERC, Marriott East (Indianapolis) on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, at 1:00PM.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bowman. The meeting was adjourned at 12:10pm.

These minutes were reviewed and approved by the EMS Commission at their September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023, meeting.

Emily Castor, Secretary.