

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ed Gordon (Volunteer Fire EMS)

OTHERS PRESENT: Elizabeth Fiato, Jason Smith, Mara Snyder, Judge Gary Bippus, the paramedic class from Community Hospital, IDHS Staff

CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS

Meeting called to order at 10:01 a.m. and quorum called by Chairman Lee Turpen. Chairman Turpen also recognized the two new members to the Commission, Commissioner Darrin Hoggatt and Commissioner Stephen Champion. Chairman Turpen also recognized the paramedic class from Community Hospital.

No action was needed by the Commission. No action was taken.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to adopt the minutes of the June 26, 2012 meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. Motion passed.

State EMS Directors Report

Director Archer announced the appointment of Lee Turpen to the Chairman position by the governor. Director Archer also recognized Gary Miller for his contributions to the EMS community in Indiana over the last several years.

Director Archer noted that several projects have been worked on since the last commission meeting which included a sub-committee meeting on accreditation and testing, a sub-committee meeting for data collections, and the implementation of a new program at the government center called Enhance. The program is designed to teach state employees CPR and how to use an AED. AEDs will be distributed throughout the government center buildings so that visitors to the government center will be protected through a response system. Since we encourage other businesses to have AED programs the government center should be a leader in establishing these programs. Director Archer recognized Liz Fiato

and her staff for their work in putting together the Enhance program and getting it up and running.

Director Archer announced the hiring of a new case manager. The state EMS office is working on developing an on-line reporting and case management system for investigations and complaints. Staff believes that this system will help in tracking complaint cases more efficiently.

Director Archer reported that the report to the Health Finance Committee required by SB224 was completed. A copy of the report was provided to the Commissioners for review in their packet. Director Archer asked the Commission to approve the report. Director Archer thanked the following people for their assistance in preparing the report:

Buckman, John	IDHS Fire Training Branch Chief
Fiato, Elizabeth	IDHS EMS Training Section Chief
Garvey, Michael	IDHS Chief of Staff
Greeson, James	State Fire Marshal, IDHS Fire and Building Safety Division
Lockard, Michael	Indiana EMS Commissioner
Murray, Tony	Indiana Fire Alliance
Peachey, Tony	Indiana Fire Alliance
Robison, Gary	IDHS Fire and Building Safety Division
Seals, Randy	Indiana Emergency Medical Services Association
Sink, Dan	Indiana Fire Alliance
Turpen, Lee	Indiana EMS Commissioner
Ward, Faril	Indiana EMS Association
Woodall, Kenneth	IDHS Preparedness and Training Division

A motion was made by Commissioner Lockard to approve the report to the Senate Health and Finance Committee as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Olinger. The motion passed.

Director Archer announced the state office is working on the implementation of an on-line course approval process and automation of the certification process. Testing will be moving to the Acadis on-line system as much as possible. Reporting of Training reports will be done on line by the Training Institution Official.

Director Archer announced that the Indiana State Department of Health has identified funding that can be used to help transition EMT-Intermediates to Paramedics through the bridge course. The funds being made available are from a Rural Health grant and must focus on Rural Health providers. The program development is in its early stages. More information will be available at the next meeting.

Director Archer stated that the process to make the emergency rules permanent has started. As part of the process, staff is working to identify other rules that may need to be updated.

STAFF REPORT

Elizabeth Fiato discussed the recommendations for current Indiana EMS Curriculum Standards document-(see attachment #1). This document was submitted as a guideline for Training Institutions so they will know what should to be included in their courses and how staff will determine if the courses meet the National Educational Standards. Some discussion followed. No action required none taken.

Individual Certification Report- See attachment #2

A motion was made by Commissioner Olinger to approve the Personnel Certification Report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

Provider Certification Report- See attachment #3

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to approve the Provider Certification Report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Olinger. The motion passed.

Data Registry

Mr. Gary Robison from IDHS announced that the new secured FTP data collection site is now in operation and is being tested. Problems have been identified and are being fixed. There is going to be a common password and the provider just needs to read the directions to be able to submit their data.

Commissioner Lockard reported out on the EMS sub-committee for data collection (see attachment #4 for the notes from the sub-committee meeting).

The sub-committee requests the EMS Commission to change 836 IAC 1-1-5 (b) to require data submission of the 85 minimum data elements listed by NEMSIS v2.2.1 by January 1, 2015. Providers will be allowed to submit additional NEMSIS-compliant data elements, if desired. Commissioner Lockard provided additional information not originally in the Data Sub-committee report. Following discussion: Commissioner Valentine recommended that the data collection sub-committee's request be sent back to them for revisions.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey that staff send a letter to each EMS provider organization by January 1, 2013 informing them of the requirement to submit data to the state, explaining the need for such data collection, and ask what issues prevent them from complying with the rule. Data collected from this communication will be used by the Committee to identify further actions to improve reporting before January 1, 2015. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Craigin. The motion passed.

EMS PERSONNEL WAIVER REQUEST

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 4-4-1 (b) the requirement to submit application for certification within a year of course completion. The applicant is requesting an extension of this deadline to allow him to complete all testing requirements to obtain certification. Staff recommends approval.

Campbell, Burtis Scott (EMT- Basic)

A motion was made by Commissioner Olinger to approve the waiver with a 30 day extension from the date of the Commission meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 4-5-2(C), (5) and 836 IAC 4-9-4 (e) to renew his certification. Staff recommends approval.

Firks, Thomas (EMS-Paramedic and EMT-PI)

A motion was made by Commissioner Olinger to approve the waiver with the condition that Mr. Firks pays the \$50 administrative processing fee and that the paramedic and PI are set to expire on 06/30/2013. The motion was seconded by Director Archer. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 4-4-3 (5) (B) (b) to extend his temporary certification to allow him to work in Indiana while completing his testing requirements. Staff had no recommendation.

Hinkemeyer, Brent Lee(EMS-Paramedic)

A motion was made by Commissioner Olinger to grant the extension for a period of three (3) months. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lockard. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 4-4-2 to extend his certification to allow time to complete his skills. Staff recommended denial.

Lynch, Justin (EMT-Basic)

A motion was made by Commissioner Olinger to deny the applicants request. The motion was seconded by Director Archer. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 4-4-1 (b) the requirement to submit application for certification within a year of course completion. The applicant requests an extension of this deadline to allow her to complete all testing requirements to obtain certification. Staff recommends approval.

Mickens, Maggie (EMT-Basic)

A motion was made by Commissioner Olinger to approve the waiver with a thirty (30) day extension from the date of the Commission meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lockard. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 4-4-1 (b) the requirement to submit application for certification within a year of course completion. The applicant requests an extension of this deadline to allow her to complete all testing requirements to obtain certification. Staff recommends approval for a 210 day extension from expiration date to complete testing this will allow the applicant thirty (30) days to complete testing.

Sparks, Michael (EMT-Basic)

A motion was made by Commissioner Lockard to approve the extension for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of the Commission meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Olinger. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 4-4-3 (5) (B) (b) to extend his temporary certification to allow him to work in Indiana while completing his testing requirements. Staff recommends approval.

Sebayan, Lynn (EMS-Paramedic)

A motion was made by Commissioner Hoggatt to approve the waiver with a six (6) month extension. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Olinger. The motion passed.

EMS PROVIDER WAIVER REQUEST

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 2-2-1 requiring ALS providers to provide ALS services 24 hours a day. Staff recommends approval.

Town of Whitestown Fire Department

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to approve the waiver for a period of two years. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Olinger. The motion passed.

The following requested waivers of 836 IAC 2-7.2-3.

US Steel

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to approve the waiver in regards to the use of the Morgan lens by US Steel. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lockard. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to table the waiver request in regards to the adult I/O and CPAP until recommendations are made by the TAC Committee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lockard. The motion passed to table.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to deny the waiver request that requires the Intermediate providers to carry equipment for ECG monitoring and manual defibrillation, which are not within the scope of practice for the Advanced EMT. As an Advanced EMT provider, the applicant is requesting permission to be able to continue EKG monitoring at the Advanced EMT level and to not stock a manual defibrillator on the ambulances. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hamilton. The motion passed to deny the request. The Commission sent this issue to the TAC for research and recommendations.

A motion was made by Director Archer to approve the waiver request to not carry intubation equipment because this equipment is not within the scope of practice of the Advanced EMT, for a period of two years. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Olinger. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to table the addition of Epinephrine, Toradol, Zofran, and Atrovent to be carried and used by the Advanced EMTs. He further moved to approve the use of Cyanokits due to the environment in which they work. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lockard. The motion passed as stated.

EMS TRAINING INSTITUTION WAIVER REQUEST

No request submitted. No action required none taken.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

Orders Issued

Order No. 0039-2012, Karrie L. Bartos

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0041-2012, Diana K. Brooks

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0038-2012, Ceara L. Brown

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0044-2012, Dusty Cox

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0036-2012, Tina M. Crouse

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0009-2012, Stephen M. Hall Sr.

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0030-2012, Noah P. Horton

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0037-2012, Calvin R. Johnson

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0046-2012, Mark McMahon

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0045-2012, Christopher Meek

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0033-2012, Joseph R. Merry Jr.

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0040-2012, Marcus Miller

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0047-2012, Alexander Moore

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0043-2012, Timothy L. Ramsey

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0048-2012, Bryan Turpin

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0032-2012, Nicholas Tuttle

No action required, none taken

Order No. 0034-2012, David Wymer

No action required, none taken

The following filed a timely appeal to Administrative Orders:

Dusty Cox

Noah Horton

Calvin Johnson

A motion was made by Commissioner Olinger to grant the appeals. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lockard. The motion passed.

The following filed a timely appeal of an administrative order and request for a stay of order:

David Wymer

Mara Snyder, legal counsel, informed the Commissioners that they did not need to take action on the stay of effectiveness, the appeal. Judge Bippus has oversight on the stay of effectiveness.

A motion was made by Commissioner Olinger to grant the appeal of David Wymer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

Non-final Order

William Cary

Judge Bippus recommended tabling Mr. Carey's non-final order pending research of an appeal to the judge's non-final order.

A motion was made by Director Archer to table Mr. Carey's non-final order. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Olinger. The motion passed.

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mr. Leon Bell reported the recommendations from the TAC to the Commission. (See attachment #5)

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to amend rule 836 IAC 2-14-5: Advanced life support provider emergency care equipment to include {pediatric} Magill forceps, length based resuscitation tapes, and pediatric pulse oximetry. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

Chairman Turpen directed staff to notify service provider organizations about the availability of the state's QPA system to buy equipment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to accept the EMS practical skill evaluation forms designed by the Indiana Fire Chief's Association's EMS sub-Committee and reviewed by the TAC Committee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hamilton. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to accept the Intermediate to Paramedic bridge course developed Ivy Tech Evansville to be adopted for use by Training Institutions. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to adopt the Training Institution Guidelines document for conducting - AEMT courses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Olinger. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hoggett to amend the document to correct the didactic hours to 175. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

Mr. Bell announced the next meeting for the TAC will be October 2, 2012 at 10am at Noblesville Fire Department station 77.

Trauma System Update

Mr. Art Logsdon from the Indiana State Department of Health reported that the Trauma Care Committee is working on the criteria for determining when a hospital is actually considered in the process of becoming a trauma center pursuant to LSA Document #10-628 (F) and what "in the process" means. Once the Trauma Care Committee finalizes the requirements, the information will be forwarded to IDHS' legal counsel, Mara Snyder so that a non-rule policy can be drafted and voted on by the EMS Commission.

EMS FOR CHILDREN

No report given. No action taken.

FIELD SERVICES REPORT

Robin Stump announced the upcoming state exercise that will involve districts 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, ISP, INDOT, IBEM, DNR, MESH, Kentucky, Illinois, and San Diego.

OLD BUSINESS

The topic of the non-rule policy for specialty care transports was presented for discussion. At the May 18, 2012, the Commission requested staff to review the proposed language of the non-rule policy statement to ensure it met the intent of the Commission based

on discussion at the May 18, 2012 meeting. The non-rule policy was corrected and now reads as follows:

Title: Interpretation of 836 IAC 2-2-3 (k)

Date: September 30, 2012

Purpose: To clarify that the management of IV Infusion Pumps and/or multiple feature ventilators during transport is considered to be providing specialty care transport.

Interpretation: The Emergency Medical Services Commission interprets this rule as follows:

The management of IV Infusion Pumps and/or multiple featured ventilators during transport is considered to be the provision of specialty care transport by a provider, so long as the paramedic providing such management has received additional training approved by the provider medical director. Specialty care transport shall be provided solely by a paramedic provider for interfacility transfers.

The document was read aloud for the record and the audience.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to approve the non-rule policy statement. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. The motion passed.

Mr. Faril Ward, Vice Chairman of the EMS Association, spoke to the Commission and thanked them for their work on passing the non-rule policy. However the EMS Association would like to see other specialty care items added to the list and clarified. The Commission agreed. Mr. Ward agreed to ask the Association to help make a list and clarify other specialty care items.

IDHS staff submitted applications for potential TAC members to fill the vacancies on that committee.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to direct staff to put together some information that would categorize the applicant's qualifications and locations also to include the current TAC

member's locations by the first of the year. The EMS Commission will have an executive session at 9am on January 18, 2012 (before the regular Commission meeting). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoggatt. The motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Fiato presented four applications for approval for AEMT bridge courses for:

Adams Memorial Hospital

St. Mary Medical Center

Elkhart General Hospital

Terre Haute Regional Hospital

A motion was made by Director Archer to accept St. Mary Medical Center's bridge course curriculum minus adult IO, CPAP, 3 lead EKG interpretation (with specific rhythms: sinus, sinus tachycardia, v-fib, v-tack, PEA and a-fib), manual defibrillation, and 12 lead acquisition and transmission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. After some discussion Director Archer withdrew his motion and Commissioner Valentine withdrew is second.

After lengthy discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to approve Adams Memorial Hospital and St. Mary Medical Centers request for the AEMT bridge courses minus the additional skills. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to table Elkhart General Hospital and Terre Haute Regional Hospital's requests. The Commission will request these training institutions to resubmit a course application to match the approved template minus the additional skills. The motion was seconded by Director Archer. The motion passed.

Mrs. Fiato presented a request from Adams Memorial Hospital to hold a hybrid paramedic course.

A motion was made by Commissioner Olinger approve the hybrid paramedic course as a pilot program and to be monitored by the TAC. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lockard. The motion passed.

Chairman Turpen directed the TAC to create a template for hybrid courses from the EMR to the Paramedic level.

Mrs. Fiato presented an honorary EMT certification requested for Mr. Tom Nowaki.

A motion was made by Director Archer to grant the honorary certification. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. The motion passed.

Mrs. Fiato presented an honorary EMT certification requested for Mr. Tony Pagano.

A motion was made by Director Archer to grant the honorary certification. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

Mrs. Fiato presented an honorary EMT certification requested for Ms. Jackie Carter.

A motion was made by Director Archer to grant the honorary certification. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. The motion passed.

Director Archer presented an honorary Paramedic certification for Ms. Mary Pat Horton.

A motion was made by Director Archer to grant the honorary certification. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mackey. The motion passed.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT AND DIRECTION

Chairman Turpen acknowledged his appointment as the new Chairman of the EMS Commission. Chairman Turpen made note of the changes that have taken place within EMS including the move towards more evidence based medicine and the issues that the Commission has been charged with dealing. Chairman Turpen expressed the desire to review some of the evidence based medicine literature so it can be made available to the EMS Community and providers.

Chairman Turpen announced that the governor's office would like the Commission to elect a vice-chairman since the seat is vacant at this time.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to elect Commissioner Valentine as the vice-chairman of the EMS Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Olinger. The motion passed.

Ms. Mara Snyder, legal counsel, presented the request from the attorney general's office for the EMS Commission to waive their attorney client privilege in respect to the communications concerning the final adoption of LSA doc. #10-628.

A motion was made by Commissioner Valentine that the Commission waive its attorney client privilege for communications with the office of the attorney general concerning the final adoption of LSA DOC. #10-628. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Olinger. The motion passed.

Emery Garwick presented a request to renew Prompt Ambulances waiver to use an EMT as a driver on a neonatal specialty care unit.

A motion was made by Commissioner Olinger to approve the renewal of the waiver. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

Chairman Turpen recognized Gary Miller's service to the EMS Commission.

Commissioner Lockard requested the Commission look at updating the run report that providers are using. The form is not a state form so the Commission does not regulate the form.

Commissioner Mackey made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Turpen adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The next EMS Commission meeting will be held on January 18, 2013 at 10:00 am with an Executive session at 9 am.

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Approved _____

G. Lee Turpen II, Chairman