

First Responder Committee

DATE: Monday, March 17, 2025 at 1 PM CT

LOCATION: Poplar Board Room, First Floor, 665 Mainstream Drive, Nashville, TN 37243

ATTENDEES: Jeff Beaman, Brett Sipes, Darren Ford, Debbie Patterson, Eric Compton, Korey Green, Lee Turner, Matt Jones, Mike Terrill, Scott Philips, Chad Brown, Russell Gupton, Brian Collins, Skyler Phillips, Chip Cook

AGENDA:

1. Roll Call and introduction of members
 - The meeting was called to order by Chip Cook at 1 PM. He conducted a roll call, and a quorum was present, and each region was represented.
2. Election of a Chair
 - Jeff Beaman was nominated, motion made and approved as Chair.
3. Election of a Vice-Chair
 - Brian Collins and Debbie Patterson were nominated, a vote was taken, and Brian Collins was approved as Vice-Chair.
4. Election of a Secretary
 - Corey Green and Debbie Patterson were nominated, a vote was taken, and Debbie Patterson was approved as Secretary.
5. Approval of the 2025-2028 schedule
 - The First Responder Committee 2025 - 2028 meeting schedule was presented and approved.
 - Meeting times will depend on meeting room availability and will be coordinated through Tory.
6. Explanation of what this Committee will be tasked to do
 - Review and approve EMR rules presented by the Ambulance Committee
 - First Responder Committee Chair will represent the Committee at the upcoming EMS Board meeting on Friday, March 21, 2025, and will be able to get further direction and action items from the EMS Board for this committee.
 - There are specific requirements (e.g. attendance policy) and will be sent to the committee.
 - A contact roster will be developed for future communication among committee members.
7. New Business
 - Scott Boyd (Kingsport) and Jamie Layhew (Murfreesboro) were nominated as committee members but are not able to serve. Jeff Beaman will notify the oversight committee.

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- No additional new business until further guidance is provided from the EMS Board to this committee.
 - Only agenda items can be voted on in future meetings.
 - Open discussion took place regarding EMR rules
 - The committee will reevaluate the training hours listed in Section 1200-12-01-.16 – Emergency Medical First Responders
 - EMR and EMT program for future discussion and possible development of a pilot program if the EMR/EMT bridge is approved by the Education Committee.
 - Committee was presented and reviewed the objectives and justification that was presented to the Oversight Committee to develop the First Responder Committee. This can be used for future reference and guidance.
8. Old Business
- No items presented.
9. Adjournment
- Motion to adjourn passed unanimously at 1:40 PM.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Debbie Patterson. Minutes are not necessarily recorded in order of discussion.