

EMS EDUCATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee Minutes	EMS Education Committee
Date	March 19th, 2024
Time	9:00 am CST
Location	Iris Room 665 Mainstream Drive Nashville, Tennessee
Participants	<p>Members Present: Greg Johnson (Chairperson); William Andrews; Katie Hall; Mike Terrill; John Reeves; Jason Fox; Kirk Harris; Mike Alberson; January Bukowitz; Mark Edison; Kenneth Oxford; Aaron Carl; Dana McDonald; Shannon Morphis; Erik Jesse; Chris Davis; Randy White</p> <p>Central Office: Brandon Ward, State EMS Director; Chip Cook, Assistant State EMS Director; Russell Gupton, Brian Tompkins</p> <p>Members Absent: Baker McCool</p>

Overall Lead	Topic	Summary/Decisions	Assignment s / Next Steps	Responsible Person	Time Frame
	Roll Call/Introduction	<p>Meeting was called to order. Roll Call (results are listed above): a quorum was deemed present.</p> <p>Nominations opened for a co-chair. Kirk Harris nominated by Chris Davis & seconded by Katie Hall. Motion passed via roll call vote.</p>			
	Minute Approval	<p>Continuing Education Committee Minutes from June 20th require approval. Motion to accept by Kirk Harris as written seconded by Aaron Carl. Approved unanimously by voice vote.</p> <p>EMS Education Committee Meeting Minutes from December 5th require approval. Motion made to approve by Mark Eidson and seconded by Jason Fox. Approved unanimously by voice vote.</p>			

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	<p style="text-align: center;">Subcommittee Reports</p>	<p>Clinical Issues Committee- did not have a quorum per Jason Fox. Upcoming issues will be moved to June.</p> <p>Leadership and Advancement Committee- reported out by Brandon Ward. The feedback from the leadership course at TASA was well received. The plan is to be continued to roll out at the state level and then disseminated to the regional level. Th next class is planned for TEMSEA. They are also working on an FTO/Preceptor program. Numerous ideas for future programs identified with mental health being a prominent topic. The focus will be to provide resources before appointing of crisis is met. It is the current vision that a request will be taken to the board to create a license endorsement.</p> <p>Per Director Ward, they are also brining back the “young gun” and “rusty rifle” groups.</p> <p>Air Ambulance Committee- Reported out by Director Ward. Met the day prior to this meeting. They are going through the equipment list to “modernize” it. This will eventually go back to clinical issues for review. The goal is to have this done by the September meeting.</p> <p>Ambulance Service Committee- Reported out by Asst. Director Cook. Met, but did not have a quorum.</p>			
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	<p>Items Sent to the Board</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EMR to EMT Bridge- would this be a viable option. How would this effect students at the college level? Certification vs. licensure • **TN HB 2472 currently in legislation will greatly affect EMR's. • Per the request of the board, we need to establish a workgroup to perform a gap analysis to see if this is a feasible option. <p>Board approved EMT to Paramedic</p>	<p>Establish an EMR-EMT Gap analysis work group</p>	<p>Work group: Jason Fox, Katie Hall, Houston Austin, Erik Jesse, Aaron Carl, John Reeves, Chris Davis</p>	
	<p>School Approvals</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 			
	<p>Old Business</p>	<p>Task given by the state EMS board to re-evaluate the practical: The NREMT is sunsetting the practical exam, but the state of TN continues to require a practical.</p> <p>EMT- not much would change since this is mainly conducted at the service level, but the proposed testing outline would provide standardization. The program would still be responsible for providing its own proctors and create a retest policy which must be signed prior to the start of the practical.</p> <p>AEMT- Process will run in the same manner. It is recommended to have 2 proctors per</p>	<p>Develop Skill sheets/ Testing Materials</p>	<p>ate practical testing orkgroup</p>	

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		<p>room to maintain integrity. The state will provide these proctors. The retest policy will match the national registry.</p> <p>Paramedic- Only changes to the paramedic exam would be the additional requirement to go through a dynamic cardiac station.</p> <p>Need: A recommendation to present the proposed testing outline to the board to either approve or deny.</p> <p>Questions posed: Why is EMR not listed-is it currently not a practical that is tested? Would EMT practical testing affect their final grade or ability to pass the class or pass?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This would still be left up to school policy. Additional discussion held about additional testing days and the changes that would be needed to the testing process for the EMT to Paramedic process. <p>What would new dynamic cardiology scenario look like? The sprit of the test would echo the current dynamic cardiology station. This same work group will be responsible for developing skill sheets and testing tools.</p> <p>Motion made by Erik Jesse to accept these recommendations and seconded by Kirk Harris. Motion passed by roll call vote.</p>			
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		Our meeting will be held at 10 am moving forward.			
	New Business	<p>Switching from the Morris McDaniel test to an IBSC exam as the critical care paramedic exam. Could this be an accepted testing alternative?</p> <p>The current Morris McDaniel contract expires in September/October. Director Ward will verify this. This testing service is currently being offered at no service cost to the state.</p> <p>A motion was made by Houston Austin and seconded by Erik Jesse to ask the board to send it to us to visit the issue.</p>			
	Closing Remarks/Adjournment	<p>Next meeting will be held at 10am</p> <p>Motion made to adjourn by Houston Austin and seconded by Katie Hall.</p> <p>Motion passed by acclamation.</p>			