



**Minutes of the
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD
JUNE 24th, 2020**

The meeting of the Emergency Medical Services Board opened in the Iris Room at 665 Mainstream Drive, Nashville, Tennessee.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:00 am CDST

The Chairperson conducted a roll call with the following results.					
Board Member's Name	Present	Absent	Board Member's Name	Present	Absent
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
William Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Chris Brooks	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Kappu Deshpande		X	Tim Strange	X	
Thomas Dunavant		X	Tyler White		X
Greg Patterson	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	X		10 Present; 3 Absent; A quorum was declared		

Also present:

- Brandon Ward Director Office of Emergency Medical Services
- Hansel Cook Assistant EMS Director
- Joe Holley MD State Medical Director
- Kyonzte Hughes-Toombs Legal Counsel
- Paul Richard Legal Counsel
- John Dabbs Region 1 EMS Consultant
- Steve Hamby Region 2 EMS Consultant
- Nita Jernigan Region 3 EMS Consultant
- Brian Tompkins Region 4 EMS Consultant
- Dwight Davis Region 5 EMS Consultant
- LeeAnne Boeringer Region 6 EMS Consultant
- Teddy Myracle Region 7 EMS Consultant
- Kevin Cagle Region 8 EMS Consultant
- Randall Kirby EMS Consultant at Large
- Tory Ferguson Regulatory Board Administrative Assistant 2

The Chairperson polled the Board to verify that all Board members could hear and that their microphones were working. The

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Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
William Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Chris Brooks	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Kappu Deshpande		X	Tim Strange	X	
Thomas Dunavant		X	Tyler White		X
Greg Patterson	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	X				

APPROVAL OF THE December 4th, 2019 and March 19th, 2020 MINUTES – Motion by Mr. Patterson to accept and seconded by Ms. Rose. (Prior to this discussion Mr. White was able to log on to the meeting).

Motion passed on voice vote.

OGC Report

Mr. Richardson gave the OGC report: 27 cases pending and 8 consent orders to be heard today. He also read the Conflict of Interest Statement.

TnPAP Report

Teresa Phillips presented the report to the Board there was no questions from the Board to Ms. Phillips. She requested a nomination of a Board member to serve on their Board. Ms. Yeatman volunteered.

COPEC Report

Natasha Kierth, Executive Director of CEPEC, presented the COPEC annual report to the Board.

Motion to accept the report as presented by Mr. Strange and seconded by Mr. Beaman.					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
William Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Chris Brooks	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Kappu Deshpande		X	Tim Strange	X	
Thomas Dunavant		X	Tyler White	X	
Greg Patterson	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	X		Motion Carried		

Applicant Requests

1. Richard Van Kirk

Mr. Kirk applied for an EMT license but had a finding on his Background Check. This incident was 19 years ago. He had recommendations from his Chief as to his character.

Motion by Mr. White to approve his application as an EMT and seconded by Ms. Yeatman.										
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X				Twila Rose	X				
William Beaman	X				James Ross RN	X				
Dr. Chris Brooks	X				Dennis Rowe	X				
Kappu Deshpande				X	Tim Strange	X				
Thomas Dunavant				X	Tyler White	X				
Greg Patterson	X				Jeanne Yeatman RN	X				
Brian Robinson			X		Motion carried					

2. Steven Coley

Applied for an EMR License and has a criminal record. He discussed the offense, the outcome and his life since that time.

Motion by Mr. White to approve his application as an EMR and seconded by Mr. Strange.										
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X				Twila Rose	X				
William Beaman	X				James Ross RN			X		
Dr. Chris Brooks	X				Dennis Rowe	X				
Kappu Deshpande				X	Tim Strange	X				
Thomas Dunavant				X	Tyler White	X				
Greg Patterson	X				Jeanne Yeatman RN	X				
Brian Robinson	X				Motion carried					

3. Daphne Lelcesona

She is wanting to attend to EMT school and wants to be proactive in that she has a criminal record. She wishes to be able attend the class and if successful to be able to apply for an EMT License.

Motion by Ms. Yeatman to approve her request and seconded by Mr. Beaman.										
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X				Twila Rose	X				
William Beaman	X				James Ross RN			X		
Dr. Chris Brooks	X				Dennis Rowe	X				
Kappu Deshpande				X	Tim Strange	X				
Thomas Dunavant				X	Tyler White	X				

Greg Patterson	X					Jeanne Yeatman RN	X			
Brian Robinson	X					Motion carried				

OGC Cases

Consent Order: Jason Bizzle (Case No. 2019019661)

Stipulation of Fact: Respondent was at all times pertinent hereto licensed by the Division as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (“AEMT”) in the state of Tennessee, having been granted license number 38266 on July 19, 2011, with an expiration date of January 31, 2021 . Respondent was at all times pertinent hereto employed by Medical Center EMS — Dyer County (“Medical Center EMS”). Respondent was being coached by Eric Echtenkamp, EMS Shift Manager. On March 19, 2019, Mr. Echtenkamp was reviewing run tickets for accuracy when he noticed that Ms. Sanford (“Co- worker”) initiated several of her tickets when signing for her crew. He questioned her as to why she initiated her tickets, and she responded that she was told that initialing was sufficient.

When Mr. Echtenkamp reviewed Respondent’s tickets, he observed the full signature of the same co-worker. Upon further review, Mr. Echtenkamp observed that everyone’s tickets were initialed except for those of the Respondent. He also noticed a similarity in the handwriting of the signatures of Respondent’s tickets. Mr. Echtenkamp then obtained the Co-worker’s true signature and compared it to the signatures on Respondent’s tickets. He concluded that the signatures did not have the same appearance.

In all, Mr. Echtenkamp obtained thirteen (13) records that contained possible falsified signatures. When questioned, Respondent stated that the signatures were the true signatures of patients and staff. This event combined with a previous disciplinary action concerning documentation, facilitated Respondent’s termination from his position with Medical Center EMS on March 15, 2019. In a written statement, Respondent admitted to falsifying at least one signature on a run report while working at Medical Center EMS and several when signing patients out of nursing facilities.

Stipulation of Disposition: For the purpose of avoiding further administrative action with respect to this cause, Respondent agrees to the SUSPENSION of Respondent’s AEMT license number 38266, for a period of 15 days, to be effective immediately upon ratification of this Order. Pursuant to TENN. CODE ANN. § 68-140-305, TENN. COMP. R. & REGS. RULE I 200-12-01-.17, and Board policy, Respondent must complete four (4) hour of ethics training, as approved by the Director of the Division, within thirty (30) days of ratification of this Order. Pursuant to TENN. CODE ANN. § 68-140-305, TENN. COMP. R. & REGS. RULE 1200-12-01-.17, and Board policy, Respondent must instruct four (4) hour of ethics training, as approved by the Director of the Division, within one hundred and twenty (1 20) days of ratification of this Order. Pursuant to TENN. CODE ANN. § 68-140-305, TENN. COMP. R. & REGS. RULE 1200-12-01 -.17, and Board policy, upon the lifting of the SUSPENSION, Respondent’s AEMT license will be placed on PROBATION for a period of no less than three (3) years.

Motion by Mr. White to deny the consent order and seconded by Mr. Strange.										
Board Member’s Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent		Board Member’s Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X					Twila Rose	X			
William Beaman	X					James Ross RN			X	
Dr. Chris Brooks	X					Dennis Rowe	X			
Kappu Deshpande				X		Tim Strange	X			
Thomas Dunavant				X		Tyler White	X			

Greg Patterson	X				Jeanne Yeatman RN	X			
Brian Robinson	X				Motion carried				

Consent Order: April M. Cullers (Cases No. 2019035111 and 2019045341)

Stipulation of Fact: Respondent was at all times pertinent hereto licensed by the Office as a Paramedic in the state of Tennessee, having been granted license number 27412 on September 25, 2001, with an expiration date of April 30, 2020.

On May 19, 2018, while on vacation, Respondent was arrested in Webbers Falls, Oklahoma, and charged with for the following:

- a. Driving Under the Influence of drugs
- b. Unlawful Possession of Cocaine, a controlled Substance
- c. Unlawful Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (straws and razor)
- d. Driving on a Suspended Driver’s License

On May 25, 2018, Respondent submitted to a post arrest drug screen and tested positive for Cocaine. On July 11, 2018, Respondent received two suspensions without pay: one for 360 hours and a second for 168 hours, by the City of Memphis Fire Department and ordered to complete the Employee Assistance Program (EAP). Respondent successfully completed the EAP and the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) Center of Excellence for Behavioral Health Treatment and Recovery Program as recommended.

On September 14, 2019 while on duty, Respondent was discovered asleep in her car in the parking lot with the door open and duty bag on the ground. Respondent had difficulty waking up, and was observed with glassy eyes and incomprehensible speech. Respondent immediately submitted to a for cause drug screening which revealed a positive test for Cocaine. On September 22, 2019, Respondent was admitted to Recovery Unplugged Treatment Center for substance abuse treatment, and successfully completed a 30 day inpatient program.

Stipulation of Disposition: For the purpose of avoiding further administrative action with respect to this cause, Respondent agrees to have Respondent’s license to practice as a Paramedic in the state of Tennessee, license number 27412, placed on SUSPENSION, to be effective immediately upon ratification of this Order. Respondent may undergo an evaluation approved by the Tennessee Professional Assistance Program (“TnPAP”). Should the results of the TnPAP-approved evaluation recommend monitoring, then Respondent may sign a TnPAP monitoring agreement and obtain the advocacy of TnPAP.

- Upon receipt by the Division of notification from TnPAP that Respondent has signed a monitoring agreement prior to or during the period of suspension, the suspension shall be STAYED and the license shall be immediately placed on PROBATION on the following terms and conditions:
- The period of probation of Respondent’s license shall run concurrent with his or her monitoring agreement with TnPAP, but in no event shall the period of probation be less than three (3) years from the date this ORDER is entered. Should Respondent’s monitoring agreement with TnPAP be extended, the term of probation of Respondent’s license shall be extended to run concurrent with the new term of the TnPAP monitoring agreement.
- Respondent’s failure to maintain compliance with all of the terms of the monitoring agreement and the advocacy of TnPAP until the completion of the monitoring agreement and any amendments thereto will be a violation of probation and a violation of this ORDER, and shall result in the immediate lifting of the stay of suspension of Respondent’s license upon receipt by the Division of notification from TnPAP. If thereafter Respondent wishes to have his or her license reinstated, Respondent must appear before the Board and demonstrate his/her present ability to engage in the safe practice of emergency medical services. The Board reserves the right to impose other reasonable conditions of reinstatement at the time of Respondent’s appearance.

- Upon receipt by the Division of notification from TnPAP that Respondent underwent a TnPAP- approved evaluation but monitoring was not recommended, the suspension shall be immediately lifted and the license shall be immediately placed on PROBATION for a period of no less than three (3) years from the date this ORDER is entered.

Motion by Mr. Strange to agree to the order as presented and seconded by Mr. Ross.									
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith		X			Twila Rose		X		
William Beaman		X			James Ross RN	X			
Dr. Chris Brooks		X			Dennis Rowe		X		
Kappu Deshpande				X	Tim Strange	X			
Thomas Dunavant				X	Tyler White		X		
Greg Patterson		X			Jeanne Yeatman RN		X		
Brian Robinson		X			Motion Failed				

Motion by Mr. Rowe to deny to the order as presented and seconded by Mr. Beaman.									
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X				Twila Rose	X			
William Beaman	X				James Ross RN	X			
Dr. Chris Brooks	X				Dennis Rowe	X			
Kappu Deshpande				X	Tim Strange	X			
Thomas Dunavant				X	Tyler White	X			
Greg Patterson	X				Jeanne Yeatman RN	X			
Brian Robinson	X				Motion Passed				

Consent Order: Jason Lee Hamilton Case No.: 2019012911

Stipulation of Fact: Respondent was at all times pertinent hereto licensed by the Office as an AEMT in the state of Tennessee, having been granted license number 32693 on July 18, 2006, with an expiration date of September 30, 2021. On February 21, 2019, Respondent pled guilty in the Fayette County Tennessee Circuit Court to one count of Driving Under the Influence

Respondent was placed on supervised probation, for eleven (11) months twenty-nine (29) days, assessed a fine of three hundred fifty dollars (\$350.00), and twenty-four (24) hours of community service. Respondent was also ordered to attend DUI School, forbidden to consume alcohol, received ninety (90) days of remote alcohol monitoring, five (5) times daily, and his license was revoked for one (1) year.

Respondent self-reported his conviction to the Division.

Stipulation of Disposition: For the purpose of avoiding further administrative action with respect to this cause, Respondent agrees to have Respondent's license to practice as an AEMT in the state of Tennessee, license number 32693, placed on

SUSPENSION, to be effective thirty (30) days following ratification of this Order. Respondent may undergo an evaluation approved by the Tennessee Professional Assistance Program (“TnPAP”). Should the results of the TnPAP-approved evaluation recommend monitoring, then Respondent may sign a TnPAP monitoring agreement and obtain the advocacy of TnPAP. Upon receipt by the Division of notification from TnPAP that Respondent has signed a monitoring agreement prior to or during the period of suspension, the suspension shall be STAYED and the license shall be immediately placed on PROBATION on the following terms and conditions:

- The period of probation of Respondent’s license shall run concurrent with his or her monitoring agreement with TnPAP, but in no event shall the period of probation be less than three (3) years from the date this ORDER is entered. Should Respondent’s monitoring agreement with TnPAP be extended, the term of probation of Respondent’s license shall be extended to run concurrent with the new term of the TnPAP monitoring agreement.
- Respondent’s failure to maintain compliance with all of the terms of the monitoring agreement and the advocacy of TnPAP until the completion of the monitoring agreement and any amendments thereto will be a violation of probation and a violation of this ORDER, and shall result in the immediate lifting of the stay of suspension of Respondent’s license upon receipt by the Division of notification from TnPAP. If thereafter Respondent wishes to have his or her license reinstated, Respondent must appear before the Board and demonstrate his/her present ability to engage in the safe practice of emergency medical services. The Board reserves the right to impose other reasonable conditions of reinstatement at the time of Respondent’s appearance.
- Upon receipt by the Division of Notification from TnPAP that Respondent underwent a TnPAP- approved evaluation but monitoring was not recommended, the suspension shall be immediately lifted and the license shall be immediately placed on PROBATION for a period of no less than three (3) years from the date this ORDER is entered.

Motion by Mr. Ross to approve to the order as presented and seconded by Dr. Brooks.									
Board Member’s Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	Board Member’s Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X				Twila Rose	X			
William Beaman	X				James Ross RN	X			
Dr. Chris Brooks	X				Dennis Rowe	X			
Kappu Deshpande				X	Tim Strange	X			
Thomas Dunavant				X	Tyler White	X			
Greg Patterson	X				Jeanne Yeatman RN	X			
Brian Robinson	X				Motion Passed				

Consent Order; Brian Keith Hodges Case No.: 2017021251

Stipulation of Fact: Respondent was at all times pertinent hereto licensed by the Division as a Paramedic in the state of Tennessee, having been granted license number 29527 on August 20, 2003, with an expiration date of July 31, 2020.

On February 21, 2019, Respondent pled guilty in the United States District Court Eastern District of Tennessee at Knoxville to one count of Conspiracy to Pay and to Offer to Pay for Voting in Violation of 18 U.S.C. § 371 and 52 U.S.C. § 10307(c).

Respondent was sentenced to five (5) years’ supervised probation, fifty (50) hours of community service, is forbidden from participating in any electoral activity on the federal, state, or local level, and assessed a mandatory fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

Stipulation of Disposition: For the purpose of avoiding further administrative action with respect to this cause, and pursuant to TEL. CODE ANN. § 68-140-305, TENN. COMP. R. & REGS. RULE 1200-12-01-.17, and Board policy, Respondent agrees to the SUSPENSION of Respondent’s Paramedic license number 29527, for a period of no less than ninety (90) days to be effective immediately upon ratification of this Order.

Following the SUSPENSION, Respondent’s license shall be placed on PROBATION for a period of no less than five (5) years. Pursuant to TEL. CODE ANN. § 68-140-305, TENN. COMP. R. & REGS. RULE 1200-12-01-.17, and Board policy, Respondent must attend four (4) hours of Ethics courses, as approved by the Director of the Division within one hundred twenty (120) days of the ratification of this order. Proof of completion must be submitted to the Division within thirty (30) days of completion of the course.

Pursuant to TEL. CODE ANN. § 68-140-305, TENN. COMP. R. & DGS. RULE 1200-12-01-.17, and Board policy, Respondent must instruct a four (4) hours of Ethics courses, as approved by the Director of the Division within three hundred sixty-five (365) days of the ratification of this order. Proof of instruction must be submitted within thirty (30) days of completion of the instruction.

Motion by Mr. Rowe to approve to the order as presented and seconded by Mr. Strange.									
Board Member’s Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	Board Member’s Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X				Twila Rose	X			
William Beaman	X				James Ross RN	X			
Dr. Chris Brooks	X				Dennis Rowe	X			
Kappu Deshpande				X	Tim Strange	X			
Thomas Dunavant				X	Tyler White	X			
Greg Patterson	X				Jeanne Yeatman RN	X			
Brian Robinson	X				Motion Passed				

Agreed Order: James David Huskey Docket No.: 17.34-200318A

Stipulation of Fact: Respondent was at all times pertinent hereto licensed by the Office as an Emergency Medical Responder in the state of Tennessee, having been granted license number 15049 on April 7, 2015, with an expiration date of January 31, 2018.

On March 23, 2018, Respondent pled guilty in the Moore County Tennessee Circuit Court of the following:
Two (2) Counts of Sexual Exploitation of a Minor.

Respondent was sentenced to incarceration in the Tennessee Department of Corrections for nine (9) years, six (6) months on count one, and four (4) years, six (6) months on count two.

Order: NOW THEREFORE, Respondent, for the purpose of avoiding further administrative action with respect to this cause, agrees to the following:

- Respondent agrees to VOLUNTARILY SURRENDER Respondent’s license to practice as an Emergency Medical Responder in the state of Tennessee, license number 15049, to be effective immediately upon ratification of this Order.
- Upon the agreement of the parties, this AGREED ORDER was approved as a FINAL ORDER by a majority of a quorum of the Tennessee Board for Emergency Medical Services at a public meeting of the Board and signed this 25th day of March, 2020.
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Motion by Dr. Brooks to approve the order as presented and seconded by Mr. Strange.									
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X				Twila Rose	X			
William Beaman	X				James Ross RN	X			
Dr. Chris Brooks	X				Dennis Rowe	X			
Kappu Deshpande				X	Tim Strange	X			
Thomas Dunavant				X	Tyler White	X			
Greg Patterson	X				Jeanne Yeatman RN	X			
Brian Robinson	X				Motion Passed				

Consent Order: Zachary Cole Jones Case # 2018048901

Stipulation of Fact: Respondent was at all times pertinent hereto licensed by the Office as a Paramedic in the state of Tennessee, having been granted license number 30130 on June 4, 2004, with an expiration date of April 30, 2020. On or about October 6, 2018, while on duty with Franklin County American Medical Response (AMR), a co-worker observed Respondent having difficulty staying awake. This co-worker questioned Respondent about his current state and Respondent advised that his difficulty staying awake arose from a lack of sleep due to the double shift he had worked the previous evening.

Hours later, the same co-worker went into the facility restroom and found, on the floor, a used syringe containing what appeared to be a bloody substance and bloody napkins in the restroom waste bin. The items were secured and placed in an onsite refrigerator and were later turned over to the Winchester Police Department. As a result, the on-duty supervisors were directed to inspect all narcotic boxes and vials for evidence of tampering. The supervisors' inspection uncovered four (4) vials of Versed and one (1) vial of Fentanyl with needle holes in the rubber tops. The items were secured in the unit's lock box.

On or about October 7, 2018, AMR reached out to Respondent to request he submit to a drug screen. On or about October 8, 2018 Respondent replied and agreed to immediately submit to a drug screen at First Choice Clinic. Following the drug screen, Respondent met with AMR to discuss the incident and denied being under the influence of any drugs and having any knowledge regarding the tampered medicine vials.

In Respondent's signed written statement dated October 8, 2018, he wrote, "Found loose lid off of a Versed in drug box on unit that Trish Res (medic) was coming off of unit as I signed. I don't know anything about the other issues on the drugs in question." On or about October 9, 2018 Respondent was interviewed by the Winchester Police Department.

During an instance when Respondent was left alone in the interview room, Respondent was observed removing a sample swab from the interview desk. He later switched the newly obtained swab with the swab used to obtain his DNA sample. At this time he was confronted by authorities.

Once confronted, Respondent admitted to being under the influence of Fentanyl during the shift in question and claimed the syringe found in the restroom as his. He also accepted responsibility for removing the Versed and Fentanyl from the narcotics box and using and replacing the used contents with saline solution. He further accepted responsibility for manipulating the hinges on the narcotics box to avoid detection of the boxes being opened. AMR subsequently terminated Respondent for what it considered a violation of company policy.

On or about April 4, 2019, in the Criminal Court of Franklin County, Tennessee, Respondent pled guilty to tampering with evidence, a Class C Felony. This plea is subject to judicial deferment. One condition of Respondent's probation is that he must attend a long-term (six (6) months or more) in-patient alcohol and drug treatment program. If Respondent fulfills the all the conditions of his probation, the judicial deferment will conclude. On April 4, 2022 and Respondent's criminal record will become eligible for expungement at that time.

Stipulation of Disposition: For the purpose of avoiding further administrative action with respect to this cause, Respondent agrees to have Respondent’s license to practice as a Paramedic in the state of Tennessee, license number 30130, is REVOKED. However, the revocation is STAYED and Respondent’s license is placed on SUSPENSION immediately upon ratification of this order. Respondent shall complete the in-patient alcohol and drug treatment program mandated by the Order of Deferral entered into on April 4, 2019. 21. Respondent may undergo an evaluation approved by the Tennessee Professional Assistance Program (“TnPAP”) within (180) days of completion of the in-patient treatment program. The SUSPENSION shall remain in effect throughout Respondent’s completion of the in-patient alcohol and drug treatment program mandated by the Order of Deferral and until a decision is made by TnPAP regarding a monitoring agreement. Should the results of the TnPAP-approved evaluation recommend monitoring, then Respondent may sign a TnPAP monitoring agreement and obtain the advocacy of TnPAP.

Upon receipt by the Division of notification from TnPAP that Respondent has signed a monitoring agreement prior to or during the period of suspension, the revocation shall remained STAYED and the license shall be immediately placed on PROBATION on the following terms and conditions:

- The period of probation of Respondent’s license shall run concurrent with his or her monitoring agreement with TnPAP, but in no event shall the period of probation be less than three (3) years from the date this ORDER is entered. Should Respondent’s monitoring agreement with TnPAP be extended, the term of probation of Respondent’s license shall be extended to run concurrent with the new term of the TnPAP monitoring agreement.
- Respondent’s failure to maintain compliance with all of the terms of the monitoring agreement and the advocacy of TnPAP until the completion of the monitoring agreement and any amendments thereto will be a violation of probation and a violation of this ORDER, and shall result in the immediate lifting of the stay of the REVOCATION of Respondent’s license and Respondent’s license shall become REVOKED. If thereafter, Respondent wishes to have Respondent’s license reinstated, Respondent must submit an application to the Division, appear before the Board, and demonstrate his/her present ability to engage in the safe practice of emergency medical services. The Board reserves the right to impose other reasonable conditions of reinstatement at the time of Respondent’s appearance.
- Upon receipt by the Division of notification from TnPAP that Respondent underwent a TnPAP- approved evaluation but monitoring was not recommended, the REVOCATION shall be lifted and Respondent’s license shall be immediately placed on PROBATION for a period of no less than three (3) years from the date this ORDER is entered.
- Respondent’s failure to undergo the TnPAP approved evaluation or sign a recommended monitoring agreement during the period of suspension shall result in the automatic termination of the stay of REVOCATION of the Respondent’s license.

Motion by Mr. Strange to deny the order as presented and seconded by Mr. Beaman									
Board Member’s Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	Board Member’s Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X				Twila Rose	X			
William Beaman	X				James Ross RN	X			
Dr. Chris Brooks	X				Dennis Rowe	X			
Kappu Deshpande				X	Tim Strange	X			
Thomas Dunavant				X	Tyler White	X			
Greg Patterson	X				Jeanne Yeatman RN	X			

Brian Robinson	X					Motion Passed
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Consent Order: Katherine L. Post Case No.: 2019029211

Stipulation of Fact: Respondent was at all times pertinent hereto licensed by the Division as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (“AEMT”) in the state of Tennessee, having been granted license number 210901 on July 7, 2017, with an expiration date of April 30, 2021. Respondent was at all times pertinent hereto employed by Puckett EMS Ambulance Service. On March 11, 2019 Respondent and partner were dispatched to a single-car automobile accident involving a 68-year-old patient J.L. (“Patient”) for transport to the emergency room of Erlanger Hospital Chattanooga.

Respondent encountered Patient on an embankment 15-20 ft. off the road sitting in the driver’s seat with her feet on the ground. Patient retained consciousness, but appeared to experience a broken arm. Respondent assisted Patient but failed to transport her to the ambulance by stretcher because Respondent and her partner determined that Patient was comfortable enough to walk based on their observation that the ground was covered with brush and on a steep hill, that the stretcher was in the closest, safest position, and the results from their assessment. In addition to a broken arm, Patient suffered extensive injuries to her back, a left-hand fracture, a cracked sternum, and broken ribs.

Stipulation of Disposition: For the purpose of avoiding further administrative action with respect to this cause, Respondent agrees to the REPRIMAND of Respondent’s AEMT license number 210901, to be effective immediately upon ratification of this Order.

Pursuant to TENN. CODE ANN. § 68-140-305, TENN. COMP. R. & REGS. RULE 1200-12-01-.17, and Board policy, Respondent must attend a Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support course (16 hours), as approved by the Director of the Division within one hundred twenty (120) days. Proof of completion of the Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support course must be submitted to the Division within one hundred twenty (120) days.

Motion by Mr. Ross to approve the order and second by Ms. Rose.									
Board Member’s Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	Board Member’s Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X				Twila Rose	X			
William Beaman		X			James Ross RN	X			
Dr. Chris Brooks	X				Dennis Rowe			X	
Kappu Deshpande				X	Tim Strange	X			
Thomas Dunavant				X	Tyler White	X			
Greg Patterson	X				Jeanne Yeatman RN	X			
Brian Robinson	X				Motion Passed				

Consent Order: Anthony D. Sipes Case No.: 2019012931

Stipulation of Fact: Respondent was at all times pertinent hereto licensed by the Division as an Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (“AEMT”) in the state of Tennessee, having been granted license number 36349 on January 28, 2010, with an expiration date of November 30, 2020. Respondent was at all times pertinent hereto employed by Henry County Medical Center EMS Ambulance Service.

On February 20, 2019 while on duty at Henry County Medical Center, Respondent receive a call from his child mother stating that the child had fallen and received a laceration to his head. Respondent met the mother and child at the emergency room (“ER”) and examined the child. After examination, Respondent consulted with ER staff who advised that the wound required either stitches or staples. Respondent took the child to one of the examination rooms and unsuccessfully

used super glue to mend the wound. Respondent then went to his vehicle, retrieved his personal staple gun, and without medical direction. Proceeded to place two staples into the wound. He then reexamined and bandaged the wound, checked the child’s mental status, and discharged the patient with the mother. The child did not register with ER at this time.

Approximately six hours later. The mother returned to the ER to request a treatment summary and obtain a school excuse. The attending physician discovered that no documentation of the previous visit existed, and expressed concern that the child had visited the ER previously and been allowed to use materials from the ER, but did not register as a patient nor receive the required medical screenings. Respondent acknowledged to investigators that the procedure lie performed on his child was beyond his scope or practice. Respondent’s employment was terminated as a result of this incident.

Stipulation of Disposition: For the purpose of avoiding further administrative action with respect to this cause, Respondent agrees to the SUSPENSION of Respondent’s AEMT license number 36349, for a period of 30 days. To become effective fourteen (14) days following the ratification of this Order. Pursuant to TENN. CODE ANN. § 68-140- 05, TENN. COMP. R. & REGS. RULE 1200-12-01-.17, and Board policy, Respondent must complete eight (8) hours of ethics training. As approved by the Director of the Division within twelve (12) months following the ratification of this Order.

Pursuant to TENN. CODE ANN. § 68-140-305. TENN. COMP. R. & REGS. RULE 1200-12-01-. 17, and Board policy, Respondent must instruct eight (8) hours of ethics training, as approved by the Director of the Division, within twelve (12) months following the ratification of this Order. Pursuant to TENN. CODE ANN. § 68-140-305, TENN. COMP. R. & REGS. RULE 1200-12-01-. 17, and Board policy, upon the lifting of the SUSPENSION, Respondent’s AEMT license will be placed on PROBATION for a period of three (3) years. Proof of completion of the Ethics training must be submitted to the Division.

Motion by Dr. Brooks to approve the order as presented and seconded by Mr. Beamon.									
Board Member’s Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	Board Member’s Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith		X			Twila Rose			X	
William Beaman	X				James Ross RN		X		
Dr. Chris Brooks	X				Dennis Rowe		X		
Kappu Deshpande				X	Tim Strange		X		
Thomas Dunavant				X	Tyler White		X		
Greg Patterson	X				Jeanne Yeatman RN		X		
Brian Robinson	X				Motion Failed				

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Director’s Report

- Report on the effect of COVID-19 pandemic on the Office.
- Plan is for Committee meetings will start back in July.
- Clinical practice and psychomotor exams procedure has been changed.
- Out of State Schools doing clinicals in Tennessee has been a point of contention. Merry Mattix from Southwest Community College presented concerns in relation to decreased clinical space due to this practice. Glen Faught of Arkansas State University presented his situation to the Board Members concerning the lack of clinical opportunities in the West Memphis area. A discussion ensued between Board members as to effect of removing approval for Arkansas State University to do clinicals in Tennessee. It was also discussed the effect on schools that were approved before this.

Motion by Mr. Rowe to reaffirm the approval of Arkansas State University to do EMS Clinicals in Tennessee and seconded by Mr. Strange.									
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X				Twila Rose	X			
William Beaman	X				James Ross RN	X			
Dr. Chris Brooks	X				Dennis Rowe	X			
Kappu Deshpande				X	Tim Strange	X			
Thomas Dunavant				X	Tyler White	X			
Greg Patterson	X				Jeanne Yeatman RN	X			
Brian Robinson	X				Motion Passed				

B. Medical Director's Report

- COVID is demanding a large amount of time at present.
- Tennessee Chapter NAEMSP is resource of information.
- The 2020 Protocol Revision is nearly done.
- A report was received on the Williamson County EMS Pilot Program of field administration of blood products.

Motion by Mr. Rowe to extend the Field Administration of Blood Product Pilot Program by Williamson County EMS or one (1) year and seconded by Mr. Strange.									
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Recused	Absent
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X				Twila Rose	X			
William Beaman	X				James Ross RN	X			
Dr. Chris Brooks	X				Dennis Rowe	X			
Kappu Deshpande				X	Tim Strange	X			
Thomas Dunavant				X	Tyler White	X			
Greg Patterson	X				Jeanne Yeatman RN	X			
Brian Robinson	X				Motion Passed				

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for September 23rd, 2020.

A motion was received to adjourn with multiple seconds. Motion carried on voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 1:06 pm