



**Minutes of the
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD
December 8th, 2021**

The meeting of the Emergency Medical Services Board opened at 9:00 am 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

The Chairperson had Ms. Ferguson to conduct 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	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange		X
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson		X	11 Present; 2 Absent; A quorum was declared		

Office of EMS Staff present:

- Brandon Ward Director Office of Emergency Medical Services
- Joe Holley MD State Medical Director
- Paul Richardson Legal Counsel
- John Dabbs Region 1 EMS Consultant
- Dwight Davis Region 5 EMS Consultant
- Kevin Cagle Region 7 EMS Consultant
- Mike Duck Region 8 EMS Consultant
- Randall Kirby EMS Consultant at Large
- Tory Ferguson Regulatory Board Administrative Assistant 2
- Britnei Outland EMS Data Manager

APPROVAL OF THE September 29th, 2021 and November 15th, 2021 MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Porter to approve the presented minutes 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	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	

Brian Robinson	Absent	11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.
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Legislative Affairs

No report.

OGC Report

Mr. Richardson read the Conflict of Interest Policy.

He then reported that OGC had 53 open case for the Board of EMS. Today, there will be 12 Consent Orders, 1 Agreed Order and 2 Contested Cases heard.

He then gave a brief report on pending Rules.

TnPAP Report

Teresa Phillips came to the Board and presented report. The Board did respond with a couple questions to which were answered by Teresa Phillips.

Recognition:

Recognizing Mr. Randall Kirby on his retirement from the Office of EMS. Mr. Kirby addressed the Board.

OGC Cases

All cases were presented by Mr. Paul Richardson.

Agreed Order

Mark William Allen-AEMT-No. 38296
APD Case No. 17.34-204031A

Board Members who abstain: Dennis Rowe

Motion by Mr. Porter and seconded by Mr. Ross to approve the order as written					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith		X	Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman		X	James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	Abstain	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White		X
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN		X
Brian Robinson	Absent		6 Ayes; 4 Nays; 2 Absent; 1 Abstain; Motion carried.		

Contested Order

Dylan Bennett-EMT-No. 212019

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Mrs. Yeatman to accept the order as in default					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	x	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Motion by Mr. Porter and seconded by Mr. Ross to accept the Finding of Facts					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	x	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Motion by Mr. Porter and seconded by Mr. Phillips to accept the Conclusions of Law					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	x	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Motion by Mr. Phillips and seconded by Mr. Porter to accept the Discipline/Action of revocation					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	

Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	x	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Motion by Mr. Rowe and seconded by Mr. Ross to accept the Policy Statement					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	x	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Contested Order

James Bennett-Paramedic-No. 32474

Case No. 17.34-213536A

Motion by Mr. Porter and seconded by Mr. Ross to accept Finding of Fact-all but #10 and #13					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Motion by Mr. Porter and seconded by Mr. Phillips to accept Conclusions of Law under allegations 14-16					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	

Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Motion by Mr. Porter and seconded by Mrs. Rose to accept the Discipline/Action of suspension with classes					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith		X	Twila Rose		X
Jeff Beaman		X	James Ross RN		X
Dr. Seth Brown		X	Dennis Rowe		X
Greg Miller		X	Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips		X	Tyler White		X
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN		X
Brian Robinson	Absent		1 Aye; 10 Nays; 2 Absent; Motion fails.		

Motion by Mr. Rowe and seconded by Mr. Ross to accept the Discipline/Action of revocation as stated by council					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter		X	Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		10 Ayes; 1 Nay; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Motion by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Ross to accept the Policy Statement					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Air Ambulance Committee

Director Ward delivered the report. No action was needed.

B. Ambulance Committee

Director Ward delivered the report. No action was needed.

C. Clinical Issues Committee and Medical Director’s Report

Dr. Joe Holley delivered the CIC report and his report. Asks Board to accept the CIC recommendation to insert language for the tourniquet and to retrack the withdrawal of approval for the single pole traction splint.

Motion by Clinical Issues for Board to accept CIC recommendation					
Board Member’s Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member’s Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		12 Aye; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

D. COPEC

No report given.

E. Continuing Education Committee

No report given.

F. Initial Education Committee

Director Ward delivered report. No action was needed.

G. TASA Report

Mr. Rick Valentine delivered report. No action was needed.

H. Trauma Council

No report given.

DIVISION REPORTS

A. Director’s Report

No report given.

B. EMS Medical Director’s Report

No report given.

Consent Order
Brandon Hicks-AEMT-No. 41475
Case No. 2021008151

Motion by Mr. Ross and seconded by Mrs. Yeatman to approve the order as written					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Consent Order
Barney Bates-Paramedic-No. 16244
Case No. 2020011111

Motion by Mr. Beaman and seconded by Mr. Rowe to deny order as written					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Consent Order
Stephen William Barnes-Paramedic-No. 401870
Case No. 2021018401

Motion by Mr. Rowe and seconded by Mrs. Yeatman to approve the order as written					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	

Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.
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Consent Order

Cortese Christopher-AEMT-No. 213902

Case No. 2021013621

Motion by Mr. Ross and seconded by Mr. Porter to approve the order as written					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Consent Order

Rhonda Damewood-Paramedic-No. 21147

Case No. 2019045411

Motion by Mr. Porter and seconded by Mr. Phillips to approve the order as written					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe		X
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		10 Ayes; 1 Nay; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Consent Order

Hosea L. Foster, Jr.-AEMT-No. 209885

Case No. 2021009851

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Mrs. Yeatman to approve the order as written					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	

Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Consent Order

Jonathon Goodwin-Paramedic Critical Care-No. 40596

Case No. 2021003521

Motion by Mr. Porter and seconded by Mr. Beaman to approve the order as written					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Consent Order

Justin Keathley-Paramedic-No. 35691

Case No. 2021013601

Motion by Mr. Porter and seconded by Mr. Beaman to approve the order as written					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Consent Order

Winesha J. Patterson-AEMT-No. 39537

Case No. 2021017151

Motion by Mr. Porter and seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the order as written					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	

Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Consent Order

Marlon Pollard-AEMT-No. 210344

Case No. 2021015821

Motion by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mrs. Yeatman to approve the order as written					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Consent Order

Tyler Lee Sullivan-Paramedic Critical Care-No. 35732

Case No. 2021020571

Board member who recused: Dr. Smith and Mr. Porter

Motion by Mr. Beaman and seconded by Dr. Brown to approve the order as written					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	Recused		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN (CHAIR)	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	Recused		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		9 Ayes; 2 Recused; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Dr. Smith and Mr. Porter return to Board room.

Consent Order

Chase K. Montgomery-AEMT-No.211069

Case No. 2021008131

Motion by Mr. Ross and seconded by Mrs. Yeatman to approve the order as written					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay

Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Mr. Richardson presents a few issues to the Board for approval: Agreed Citation Proposal and Practices of Unprofessional Conduct Statue Proposal.

Mr. Richardson asks the Board to accept the Agreed Citation Proposal with the addition of timeline to respondent.

Motion by Mr. White and seconded by Mrs. Yeatman to approve the Agreed Citation Proposal					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Mr. Richardson asks the Board to accept the further study of the Practices of Unprofessional Conduct Statue Proposal.

Motion and second made by members of the Board to accept further study of statue					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Mr. Richardson suggests to the Board to develop a task force to set a list of guidelines to go by for disciplinary cases. Will send out a Board packet for review before next Board meeting.

School Approvals

Director Ward states Saint Thomas Ascension completed a site visit for a community Paramedic program. Was considered compliant and would like approval for them to move forward.

Motion by Mr. Phillips and seconded by Dr. Brown to approve the Agreed Citation Proposal					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Old Business – None

New Business –

New Board Chair election

Motion by Mr. Ross and seconded by Mrs. Yeatman to cease nominations and Dr. Smith maintain as Chairman					
Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay	Board Member's Name	Aye	Nay
Chrm Dr. Sullivan Smith	X		Twila Rose	X	
Jeff Beaman	X		James Ross RN	X	
Dr. Seth Brown	X		Dennis Rowe	X	
Greg Miller	X		Tim Strange	Absent	
Brad Phillips	X		Tyler White	X	
Randy Porter	X		Jeanne Yeatman RN	X	
Brian Robinson	Absent		11 Ayes; 2 Absent; Motion carried.		

Mr. Ross brings into discussion on radio communications EMS strategies. Director Ward mentions a working proposal that would approve a statewide radio tacking system.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for March 23rd, 2022.

A motion was received to adjourn with multiple seconds. Motion carried on voice vote.