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STATE EMS ADVISORY BOARD

1:00 p.m. – November 12, 2021

Embassy Suites Hotel, 2925 Emerywood Parkway, Richmond, VA

Draft Agenda – Not Approved

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- I. Call to Order – Kevin Dillard, Chair
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Approval of August 6, 2021 Meeting Minutes
 - Approval of November 12, 2021 Meeting Agenda
 - II. Chairman's Report – Kevin Dillard
 - III. Vice Chair Report – Valerie Quick
 - IV. Deputy Commissioner – Bob Hicks
 - V. Office of EMS Report – Gary R Brown, Director, Scott Winston, Assistant Director; Adam Harrell, Associate Director, George Lindbeck, M.D., State EMS Medical Director & OEMS staff
 - VI. Assistant Attorney General – Krista Samuels
 - VII. State Board of Health EMS Representative Report – Gary Critzer
 - VIII. Standing Committee Reports and Action Items
 - a) Executive Committee – Kevin Dillard
 - Affirmation of Members of Standing Committees
 - b) Financial Assistance Review Committee (FARC) – Kevin Dillard
 - c) Administrative Coordinator – Jon Henschel
 - Rules and Regulations Committee – Jon Henschel
 - Legislative & Planning Committee - Gary Samuels
 - d) Infrastructure Coordinator – Eddie Ferguson
 - Transportation Committee – Eddie Ferguson
 - Communications Committee – Jon Korman
 - Emergency Management Committee – Tom Schwalenberg
 - e) Professional Development Coordinator – R. Jason Ferguson
 - Training & Certification Committee – R. Jason Ferguson
 - Workforce Development Committee – Valerie Quick
 - Provider Health & Safety Committee – Lori Knowles
 - f) Patient Care Coordinator – Allen Yee, M.D.
 - Medical Direction Committee – Allen Yee, M.D.
 - Special Guest: Jack Perkins, MD, Founder and Executive Director, Compress and Shock Foundation
 - Medevac Committee – Victoria Smith
 - EMS for Children Committee – Patrick McLaughlin, M.D.

Approved meeting minutes from August 6, 2021 meeting agenda.

Approved agenda for meeting today (November 12, 2021).

Chairman's Report (Kevin Dillard): Thanked OEMS for their work on the EMS Symposium.

Vice Chairman's Report (Valerie Quick): No Report

Deputy Commissioner's Report (Bob Hicks): Thanked everyone for their continued work through the pandemic.

Office of EMS Report:

Gary Brown: Spoke about EMS Symposium's attendance. All registrants totaled 2,000. This number is slightly down from years previous. Very happy with the success of the event. Listed the Governor's Award winners.

Scott Winston: Updated the Board on the hybrid EMS Council offices. Soon to add a fourth office with the SWVA EMS Council to go along with Blue Ridge, Central Shenandoah, and Rappahannock EMS Councils.

Adam Harrell: Not Present

Dr. Lindbeck: Not Present

OEMS Staff: Ron Passmore from Regulation and Compliance gave updates on Chapter 32 (New Rules & Regulations) in draft form. DEA rule changes are in public comment. The public comment period will close next month and then be available to OEMS. EMS Portal will begin to look differently. Changes are to be made to go paperless to include background checks. More information to come after January 1. Return to practice pathway is now established for those with sanctions dealing with substance abuse.

Regional EMS Council Executive Director's Committee: Have not met in person. They do meet virtually. Hope to meet in-person in January

Assistant Attorney General (Krista Samuels): No Report

State Board of Health Representative Report (Gary Critzer): Met on September 2. Next meeting is December 10th. Discussed the latest achievements in terms of vaccination benchmarks.

Executive Committee (Kevin Dillard): Approved 9 CSIM teams across the State. Discussions about moving some of these meetings to a virtual platform as an option is being weighed at the AG level. As of now, virtual meetings are not an option due to FOIA requirements. Full Board made a motion to pursue the virtual option for all GAB and committee meetings. Executive Committee made a recommendation to have a retreat of the GAB to discuss the make-up of the Board. The GAB voted to form a by-law workgroup to begin planning the retreat.

FARC (Kevin Dillard): Fall 2021 process showed 85 applications with over \$10 Million in requests. All applications are under review.

Administrative Coordinator (Jon Henschel): Not Present

Rules & Regulations Committee (Jon Henschel): No Report

Legislative & Planning Committee (Gary Samuels): No action items

Infrastructure Coordinator (Eddie Ferguson):

Transportation Committee (Eddie Ferguson): Met October 18th. Reviewed 35 grants.

Communications Committee (Jon Korman): No Report

Emergency Management Committee (Tom Schwalenberg): No Report

Professional Development Coordinator (R. Jason Ferguson):

Training & Certification Committee (R. Jason Ferguson): Met October 6th.

Workforce Development Committee (Valerie Quick): Discussed EMS Officer 1 program. Officer 1 has been successful. This program is going to update the program before moving onto building Officer 2, 3.

Provider Health & Safety Committee (Lori Knowles): No Report

Patient Care Coordinator (Dr. Allen Yee):

Medical Direction Committee (Dr. Allen Yee): Met October 7th. Scope of practice to reflect certain items be under Paramedic/Intermediate scope with additional training and credentialing by agency medical directors. Also made a motion to adopt legislation to push for AED throughout the state.

Dr. Jack Perkins from the Compress & Shock Foundation advertised his initiative to give tax credits to those citizens that buy new cars and also buy an AED. The Roanoke City Council and their attorney's have written the legislation and will forward this to Richmond for passing into law.

Medevac Committee (Victoria Smith): No action items. Discussed drone safety and near-misses.

EMS for Children Committee (Dr. Patrick McLaughlin): Met October 7th, meeting on January 6th to discuss grant money be available to safely treat and transport children in ambulances.

Trauma Systems Coordinator (Dr. Michel Aboutanos):

Trauma Administrative and Governance (Dr. Michel Aboutanos): Workgroup will be formed to help the Trauma Fund get better funding.

System Improvement: No Report

Injury and Violence Prevention: No Report

Prehospital Care: No Report

Acute Care: No Report

Post-Acute: No Report

Emergency Preparedness and Response: No Report

Regional EMS Council Executive Directors (Greg Woods): See Above, spoke early

Public Comment Period: No public comments

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Meeting Adjourned
