

OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Name of Governmental Body: EMS Advisory Board			Attending: See end of minutes
Date: 06/02/2021	Time Started: 9:00AM	Time Ended: 4:03 PM	
Location: Virtual - Zoom			Presiding Officer: Jerry Biggert, Chair
Minutes			

Meeting called to order

- 09:00 AM

Welcome and EMS Board Member rollcall

- Completed
- All present less Justin Pluess arrival at 1100 Hrs.

Approval of previous EMS Board meeting minutes

- *Motion – Zils*
- *Second – Eberlein*
- *Discussion - none*
- *Vote – unanimous approval*

Public comment opportunity regarding Board agenda or special announcements (2 minutes max per attendee unless Chair extends period)

- Mary Motiff – Wants to assure small rural communities have a voice on this board. Concerned about training requirements.
- Paul Schilling – DOT representative introduced himself.

Report from EMS Section Chief, DHS Representative(s), and Section Staff, with possible recommendations/action from EMS Board regarding Administration, Education, and Operations

Welcome and introduction of new Section Chief, Amanda Bates

- Amanda introduced herself
- Identified items she would like to focus on

EMS Funding Assistance Program

- 2022 – awaiting state budget approval
- Services need to assure they are current in the STAR system to assure a timely disbursement

Status & Well-being report of EMS Agencies in Wisconsin

- Services struggling with recruitment of young people

CDC Grant Projects awarded to the Wisconsin EMS Office

- \$4M of funding (2 years)
- 3 projects
 - Community EMS coordinator
 - Data System Updates
 - Rural EMS Corps

DHS 110 Status

- In its final process

Community Paramedic Educational Curriculum and Credentialing Status

- Curriculum should be done by August

Community EMT Program Status

- Update provided from Tim Weir from the WTCS of items in process of development

SARS-CoV2 (COVID-19) Updates

- Suggestion to keep this item on the radar
- Develop an after-action report for future reference
- Lessons learned and partner input

CARES 2020 report (Colella/Altenhofen)

- Wisconsin data has been published
- Above average for bystander AED intervention
- Data link: https://secure-web.cisco.com/1LruKBdXFO8jD_8NME33KiyW9O_g9idhucW4YU76wvDAjpvD_FtzUWEQ1tUytK9a0C8ocLGyJtdtfY50FLUHwLYNpy05V7TrN-U-96JJleGendfQoCIJGih9LwQWDLtatB6rYTOMnMWNGLn5trQ0xtNGReQ5-SOnkYGiuF3iwMfuDORakVQHpbGRYP9D5wg7ALGmUNvFX4QZQChWsAZDpzTKVF1W8uA5eDR4tBr-qZ3yFmqrUow9jpWdkvYim4chkZygg8IGckyN1u3RkA6NK8TirmVRgmM3NypMIMNcnSK9Yk-U7sipeLPc1kwWVmTfg08_HHiAIDKT3Kzn87z9qg/https%3A%2F%2Fmycares.net%2Fsitepages%2Fuploads%2F2021%2F2020_flipbook%2Findex.html%3Fpage%3D1

Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) Database

- Matt Wallock & Jennifer Broad from DHS presented
- Seeking to use WARDS data to report to the PDMP
- Reporting suspected opioid overdoses and administration of narcan
- General board concern regarding release of patient identified information and setting release president

Reports from Standing Committee Chairs with possible recommendations/action (see Committee Agendas for business items)*Physician's Advisory Committee (PAC) (Dr. Steven Zils/Chair)*

- Discussion on community EMS
- Training program approval process – joint workgroup on framework for training program approval. Slated for completion at end of summer.
- Stroke/STEMI/Trauma Transport guidelines. Still under discussion.
- Role of Advanced Practice Provider (APP) in medical direction. Will develop a white paper on the role.
- Classification of medications. Seeking to transition from specific medications to classifications for use in protocols.
- TEMS Scope of practice. May be returning out of need.
- National/WI Scope review. Discussion on AEMT opioid pain medications.
- Reviewed national/WI scope as a floor to address deficiencies. Of note, suggesting adding 12 lead acquisition at the EMR level.

Education & Training (Brian Litza/Chair)

- Public comments from Mary Motiff and Dan Clark regarding rural EMS
- Community EMS curriculum is on pace for August 1st completion
- NREMT psychomotor exam season – 70% of training centers have adopted the OOHS exam
- EMS Curricula project
 - Slowed to reduce blind spots in development and deployment
 - New projected implementation is Fall 2023
 - Wanting to provide as much content an instructor resources to assure consistent delivery
 - Hours will be finalized during the development – initial estimates subject to change
- Started student success project
 - Identify blind spots in education
 - Develop resources to make students more successful
 - Working with training centers on improving cognitive exam success
- Instructor enrichment program
 - Equity and inclusion resources on Train-WI
- Working on open education resources sourcing
 - Help reduce costs for textbooks
 - Improve resources for instruction
- State-wide roll-out of the Out Of Hospital Scenario exam in August
- Scope of practice project
 - Identify the changes in scope since their first publishing
 - Match against curriculum and identify deficiency that have not bee addressed in curriculum
- DHA & WTCS looking at cognitive exam data and assisting training centers in improvement planning

System Management & Development (Dr. Clark/Chair)

- Presentation from Behnke and Goodland regarding patient tracking
- Progress on posting position statements through the EMS office.
- Hospital diversion – EMS.
 - Has been sent to WHA, WI ACEP, NAEMSP-WI.
 - Awaiting response.
- Pre-arrival instructions and PSAP – WEMSA project concluded.
 - MCW, Department of Emergency Medicine, Division of EMS and Disaster Care has a collection of Telecommunicator CPR Resource Materials which reflect previous committee recommendations/resources for Telecommunicator CPR Resources
- Trans 309 future direction
 - Need to readdress critical care interfacility guidelines.
 - Looking to create charter and workgroup.
 - Who should be on the workgroup? Partners groups?
 - Board discussed who should be part of the workgroup

System Quality & Data (Dr. Eberlein/Chair)

- What data do we want from the office at each meeting?
 - Workforce
 - Equity
- Biospacial continues to improve their platform.
 - Board suggestion for one sheet overview to hand to services on what it is and can do.

- Public information discussion
 - Better defining what the public wants to see
- WARDS Update
 - How to increase WARDS compliance & use
 - Reduce third party interactions with system
 - Committee Recommendation:
 - ***Motion: It is advised, the office develop and distribute a survey for the Services Directors and QA officers to obtain suggestions on how to improve WARDS.***
 - ***No second needed: committee motion***
 - ***Discussion - None***
 - ***Vote – Unanimous Approval***
 - Reviewed and cleaned up data dictionary for WARDS system
- CQI Project
 - Templates almost completed
 - Hope to present in September
- CARES WI update received
- PDMP Discussion
 - ***Motion – Zils - recommend to the EMS office denial of the data sharing between the PDMP and WARDS.***
 - ***Second – Litza***
 - ***Discussion***
 - ***To many unknowns***
 - ***Too many down sides to sharing personal data***
 - ***Concerns with sharing service owned data***
 - ***General legal concerns***
 - ***Vote – Motion Carried; 8 affirm, 1 Abstain.***

EMS for Children (Dr. Kim/Dr. Browne/Chair)

- 2021 WI EMSC Pediatric Champion
 - Footville FD & Janesville Fire Department
 - Care for a 17 month old struck by car
- Peds Surge plan
 - Amanda Hauser (DHS Preparedness Manager) shared pediatric surge plan draft
- WI EMSC's was funded by Advancing Healthier Wisconsin Endowment's Innovations to Advance Wisconsin's Health Workforce Grant for the Wisconsin Pediatric Emergency Department Readiness Program (Pediatric Readiness Program).
 - Aim is to develop resources and tools for 20 community emergency departments (EDs) to increase pediatric readiness scores prioritizing rural EDs with lower pediatric readiness scores.
 - DHS provided WI EMSC with additional 30,000.00 of funding to support pediatric readiness activities through the pandemic. These activities include a series of four pediatric readiness webinars from national experts.
- Pediatric Training Opportunities
 - Get Ready to be Peds-Ready!
 - 5/14/2021 at 10-11am CST
 - Kate Remick, MD
 - [Webinar Recording](#)

6/7/2021 at 9:30-10:30 am CST
 Moh Saidinejad, MD, MS, MBA
[Registration Link](#)

Using Simulation to Improve Pediatric Readiness in the ED
 6/14/2021 at 12-1pm CST
 Marc Auerbach, MD, MSCi
[Registration Link](#)

Pediatric Minor Head Trauma and CT Use
 6/30/2021 at 2-3pm CST
[Registration Link](#)
 Jeff E. Schunk, MD

- EMSC Performance Measures
 - WI EMSC achieved a 60.9% response rate (430 out of 706 EMS agencies) on the 2021 EMSC Performance Measure.
 - EMSC 02 was 36.5%
 - EMSC 03 was 22.4%
- EMS Pediatric Emergency Care Coordinator updates
 - 187 EMS agencies have identified PECCs and have completed commitment forms
 - June 16, 2021 Virtual PECC Quarterly Meeting from 18:00 – 19:30. The meeting will focus on pediatric drowning response and prevention.
 - Jason Selwitschka Jason@foxrtac.net
- Emergency planning for children with special healthcare needs: Children with Special Healthcare Needs Preparedness for Emergencies (CAPE)
 - Recruitment for the emergency planning for children with special healthcare needs pilot is ongoing.
 - Clayton School District/Clear Lake EMS are actively participating in the pilot.
 - Actively recruiting agencies and school districts: BFarrell@chw.org
- EIIC Telehealth Collaborative
 - The Telehealth Collaborative Workgroup has selected a provider-to-provider “hub and spoke” model as their focus.
 - The Telehealth Collaborative Workgroup has conducted a statewide community ED survey
 - Next steps: drafting a business plan to highlight the benefits of participation among larger hospital systems and to draft the strategic plan for telehealth expansion.
 - Any EMS agencies with telehealth experience or interested, please contact Brittany Farrell BFarrell@chw.org
- Safe transport survey was redeployed on 06/01/2021 have 500 responses so far - THANKS
- POLST efforts ongoing with national and WI POLST Coalition
- DHS CQI measures: awaiting specific instructions from DHS for pediatric measures

-Board Break at 12:17 PM

-Retuned from break – 12:46 PM

SARS-CoV2 EMS Worker Safety Position Statement (Biggart)

- Board Mask Guidance document review
- Robust discussion regarding statement offered by Chair Biggart
 - *Motion West – EMS board recommends to the office that DHS generates guidance for mask usage for EMS providers in the field based on current science in the ever-changing COVID environment*
 - *Second – Bantes*
 - *Discussion – Jerry will provide resources to the EMS office*
 - *Vote – Unanimously Approved*

Report on Health Care Coalition State Advisory Committee (Dr. Clark)

- Burn training will be available through the coalitions
- Discussions about small PPE stockpiles in the regions

Update with possible recommendations regarding Medicaid reimbursement rates/ Ground Emergency Medical Transport reimbursement initiative (Dr. Clark/Anderson/Sechler/Biggart)

- Progress is being made:
 - WI Budget pending – potential increase in Medicaid reimbursement
 - Working on legislation to create the GEMT program in Wisconsin

Updates and Actions, as needed, related to State Overdose & Mental Health Epidemic Initiatives in Wisconsin & Role(s) that the EMS Board can serve in assisting with the Initiative (standing item) (Full Board & EMS Section/DHS)

- Continues to focus on these issues
- Legislation passed for fire and police that provide services to the public to get mental health care relief
- EMT's were removed after initial introduction
- Work continues from EMS/Fire Coalition to include EMT's and volunteers
- Resource list for providers being compiled

Legislation Updates Report on EMS Topics (standing item) (Pluess)

- PTSD Bill
 - Senator Jauch is working on an updated bill to add EMS
 - Hope to be introduced this fall
- SB 89, AB 93 – NREMT exam optional for EMR certification
 - Senate – SB 89 has been passed
 - Assembly – Passed committee – vote 5-4
- SB 90, AB 95 – staffing and other items
 - Senate - committee hearing but no vote
 - Assembly - passed committee - vote 11-5
- SB 88, AB 96 – Restore FAP to its original dollar amount
 - Senate - no committee meeting as of today
 - Assembly – Passed committee – vote 16-0
- Representative Shankland legislation
 - Restrictions on motor vehicles when they approach emergency vehicles
 - Similar to work zone restrictions and fines
 - Senate and Assembly meetings this week

Discuss, as needed, new EMS equipment concepts with possible recommendation as applicable (standing item)

- None discussed

Update Regarding Behavioral Health and Wellness of EMS Workers (standing item) (Pluess/Ridings)

- Continuing work – no update

Future EMS Board Meeting Logistics & Strategic Planning Meeting

- Plan for face-to-face meeting in December, 2021
- Discussion on meeting agenda and sequence of committee meetings
- A survey will go out to board members regarding logistics of the board meetings

Discuss and Develop Future New Business

- None noted

Open opportunity for EMS Board Standing Committee Applicants to address the EMS Board for up to one minute per applicant.

- The following addressed the board with overview of application/credentials:
 - Jane Hanebuth
 - Kyle Wells
 - Brian Goff
 - Dana Sechler
 - Tim Williamson
 - Chris Anderson
 - Jacob Schultz
 - Alyssa Cahoon
 - Matthew Pinsoneault
 - Jeff Matcha
 - Nick Eastman
 - Ryan Huser
 - Keith Melvin
 - Jordan Pullen
 - Rob Schafer
 - Tim Nowak
 - Jason Joling

Electronic vote to determine EMS Board Standing Committee Members for a 1-year term. Vote outcomes will be revealed once outcome provided by EMS Office and certified by EMS Board Chair
RESULTS

Physicians Advisory Committee

- Sean Marquis
- Michael Lohmeier
- Mark Schultz
- Bob Zemple
- Kacey Kronenfeld
- Mathew Chin

EMS Systems and Management Committee

- Dana Sechler
- Dan Pojar
- Chris Anderson
- Aaron Leclair
- Nick Romenesko
- Nick Eastman
- Kyle Wells
- Brian Goff

System Quality and Data

- Ryan Huser
- Ryan Homan
- Matthew Pinsoneault
- Jason Schultz
- Chris Walters
- Kyle Novak
- Tim Nowak
- Jane Hanebuth
- Justin Grenawalt

Education and Training Committee

- Keith Melvin
- Ken Bartz
- Jeff Matcha
- Json Joling
- Jordan Pullen
- Alyssa Cahoon
- Tim Williamson
- Dan Anderson
- Kelly Bechel
- Jason Baumgartner

Emergency Medical Services Human Relations Committee

- Brian Goff
- James Small
- Kyra Sommerfeld
- Tom Boyer

Nominations and Election of EMS Board Leadership 2021-2022 (Chair, Vice Chair, & Secretary) with outcomes effective upon adjournment of the EMS Board Meeting.

- Chair Biggert noted all current officers are interested in continuing in their roles
- Asked for any other interest or nominations
 - No others declared their desire to run
- ***Motion for approval through acclimation – Ridings***
- ***Motion Second – Bantes***
- ***Discussion – None***
- ***Vote – Passed - Unanimous***

RESULTS: Jerry Biggert – Chair
Greg West – Vice Chair
Secretary – Brian Litza

Motion/Vote: Closed session (Board and EMS office) - to review complaints received by the WI EMS program and provide consultation per Wis. Stat. § 256.08(4). The closed session is authorized under Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(f).

- *Motion to enter closed session – West*
- *Motion Second – Pluess*
- *Discussion - None*
- *Roll Call Vote – (9 Affirmative, 1 Absent - Albert) – Passed*

Entered closed session at 3:38 PM

Motion to return to regular session – West
Motion Second- Ridings
Discussion-None
Vote- Passed - Unanimous

Returned to open session at 3:57 PM

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn – West 1603 Hrs
Motion Second - Eberlien
Discussion - None
Vote – Passed Unanimously

Adjourned at 4:03 PM

Attendance

Board Members

Jerry Biggart
Justin Pluess arrived 11:00 AM
Brian Litza
Greg West
Timothy Bantes
Michael Clark
Dustin Ridings
Cheris Eberlein
Vacant
Steve Zils
Laura Albert

Government Representatives

Amanda Bates – DHS Representative
Don Kimlicka – DHS Representative
Paul Schilling – DOT Representative
M Riccardo Colella – State EMS & Trauma Medical Director
Michael Kim – EMS For Children
Timothy Weir – Wisconsin Technical College System