Board Minutes

KANSAS

DENNIS ALLIN, M.D., CHAIR
ROBERT WALLER, CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR

KATHLEEN SEBELIUS, GOVERNOR

BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

MINUTES

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

BOARD MEETING
Teleconference
May 11, 2007

Board Members Present

Deb Kaufman
Joe Megredy
Dr. Dennis Allin
Dale Wasson
Rep. Margaret Long
Sen. Jay Emler
Comm. Bob Boaldin

Guests

Staff

Robert Waller

Board Members Called In

J. R. Behan
Comm. Duane Mathes
Mike Ryan

Board Members Absent

Rep. Kasha Kelley
Sen. Chris Steineger

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Allin called the meeting to order on May 11, 2007 at 8:40 a.m. Chairman Allin called upon Robert Waller, Chief Administrator to discuss the variance submitted by EagleMed.

Mr. Waller stated that EagleMed is requesting a variance to K.A.R. 109-2-7 Ground and air ambulance staffing. The regulation mandates that each type V service operator will staff each Type V ambulance with a driver or pilot and at least two medically trained persons, one of whom shall be a physician or a licensed professional nurse. EagleMed would like to staff the type V ambulance (vehicle) with 2 persons instead of 3 (1 MICT and 1 nurse) due to the response in Greensburg Kansas.
Discussion continued regarding the declared disaster, the EMS response, and the impact of the variance.

Motion: To approve the variance request by EagleMed in relation to the number of medically trained persons on a Type V ambulance. Moved by Colonel Wasson, seconded by Representative Long. The motion was further amended to stipulate that the approval would be contingent upon the current Governor’s Declared Disaster (FEMA -1699-DR). Motion passed.

Board member discussion continued, and the Chief Administrator was questioned as to whether Board staff was aware of additional variance requests in response to the Greensburg Tornado. The Chief Administrator stated that other requests that did not meet the level of variances had been approved by Board staff, but he could not determine whether additional requests would be submitted.

Motion: To grant the Chair and Vice Chair authority to grant variances in consultation with Board Staff in response to requests for variance to respond to Governor’s Declared Disaster (FEMA -1699-DR), in lieu of a quorum of the Board initiating a meeting. Moved by Board member Megredy, seconded by Senator Emler. Motion passed.

Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the Board Meeting at 8:52 a.m. Moved by Commission Boaldin, seconded by Representative Long. Motion passed.

June 1, 2007

Approved