



# K A N S A S

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

KATHLEEN SEBELIUS, GOVERNOR

## BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

### MINUTES

### EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD MEETING Landon State Office Building, Room 106

May 3, 2007

#### Board Members Present

Dr. Dennis Allin  
J.R. Behan  
Joe Megredy  
Colonel Dale Wasson

#### Present by Conference Call

Deb Kaufman  
Dr. Brian Holmes  
Sen. Jay Emler

#### Board Members Absent

Comm. Duane Mathes  
Comm. Bob Boaldin  
Chief Michael Ryan  
Rep. Kasha Kelley  
Sen. Chris Steineger  
Rep. Margaret Long

#### Guests

John Shipley  
Mike Nigus  
John Ralston  
Chy Miller  
Jeff Smith  
Kent Vosburg  
Patrick Pomeroy  
Ken Yokum  
Chris Alexander  
Kerry McCue  
Sheldon Guenther  
Terry David

David Stithem  
Jon Friesen  
Dalene Deck  
John Hultgren  
Jerry Jo Deckert  
Wendy Gronau  
Steve Isaacson  
Chris Way  
Rich Henkel  
Ruth Schillig  
Jason Bolt  
Gary Winter

#### Other Guests by Teleconference

#### Staff

Robert Waller  
Steve Sutton  
Patti Artzer  
Dave Cromwell  
  
Camille Nohe

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### CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Allin called the meeting to order on Thursday, May 3, 2007 at 12:37 pm.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

#### Education and Examination

Chairman Allin called upon Vice Chairman Behan to report on the Education and Examination Committee Meeting. Vice Chairman Behan reported that the Committee recommended authorizing Board staff to grant requests to Instructor/Coordinators (IC) and the six EMS Regional Councils for a variance to utilize I/O Solutions test as an alternative to the National Registry for First Responders and EMT-B candidates for a 45 day period. Also, he remarked that the Committee recommended students who were not able to take the written test (from April 27, 2007 to May 3, 2007) should have their KBEMS fees waived. Board staff should follow up with I/O Solutions to get data on the test

performance to present at the June meeting. Further, Board staff should invite I/O Solutions and National Registry representatives to the June meeting.

***Motion: To accept variances to allow the use of the I/O Solutions test as an alternative to the National Registry for First Responders and EMT-B candidates for a 45 day period and waive the KSBEMS fees for the students who were not able to take the written test. Moved by Board Member Megredy, seconded by Colonel Wasson. Motion passed. Board Members will be given a list of all variances.***

Vice Chairman Behan further reported that the Committee recommended to not move forward with making a permanent change to K.A.R. 109-8-1, but to direct Board staff to investigate Part h of the regulation and report at the June meeting. In the interim, for out-of-state MICTs applying to become certified in Kansas, by recognizing the NREMT as the state certification exam, the Board can waive the fee to become an EMT-B (not the application) and then the applicant can apply for MICT certification. The Board would recognize the out-of-state test and those individuals entering the state would not have to challenge the exam. Board staff will conduct a curriculum match based on their certification level and Kansas requirements before certification is completed. This does not address MICTs coming in from out-of-state that do not have National Registry.

***Motion: To table making a permanent change to K.A.R. 109-8-1 and to direct Board staff to review Part h and report at the June meeting. Moved by Vice Chairman Behan, seconded by Dr. Holmes. Motion passed.***

### Other

Chairman Allin announced realignment of the Committees. This document will be e-mailed to the Board members. The Education and Examination Committee will be split into 2 committees. Vice Chairman Behan would chair the Education Committee, Dr. Allin would chair the Examination Committee, and Dr. Holmes would chair of the Investigations Committee. The Executive Committee will become an ad hoc committee, meeting when necessary. The Planning and Coordination Committee would be renamed the Planning and Operations Committee, with Board member Megredy remaining as chair.

Board Member Megredy reported on the status of the Memorandum of Agreements with the Regions. Region III and VI have decided not to test. Regions I, II, and V have assured that they will sign the MOA. Region IV has unresolved issues.

***Motion: To adjourn the Board Meeting. Moved by Dr. Allin, seconded by Vice Chairman Behan. Motion passed.***



June 1, 2007

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Approved