



KANSAS

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BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

MINUTES

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

BOARD MEETING

June 5, 2009

Board Members Present

Dr. Dennis Allin
J.R. Behan
Deb Kaufman
Dr. Joel Hornung
Comm. Bob Boaldin
Col. Dale Wasson
Joe Megredy
BC Rick Rook

Guests

Deb Brown
Darlene Deck
Jon Friesen
Pam Kemp
Steve Isaacson
Brandon Beck
David Stithem
Chy Miller
Sarah House
Mark Willis
Sherry McCool
Randy Easter
Don Leong
Kathy Dooley
Bill Toon
Randy Cardonell
Gary Winter
Frank Williams
Grant Helferich
Rod Pace
Chad Pore
Chris Way
Wendy Gronau
Mike Simmons
Kerry McCue
Bob Prewitt

Staff

Robert Waller
Steve Sutton
Patti Artzer
Nicole Bradley
Joe Moreland
Jerry Cunningham
Jim Reed

Board Members Absent

Sen. Jay Emler
Rep. Vern Swanson
Sen. Oletha Faust-Goudeau
Rep. Cindy Neighbor

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Allin called the meeting to order on Friday June 5, 2009 at 9:07 am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The first order of business was to approve meeting minutes from the April 5, 2009 board meeting.

Motion: To approve April 5 2009, meeting minutes. Moved by Vice Chair Behan, seconded by Commissioner Boaldin. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Planning and Operations Committee

Chairman Allin called upon Board Member Megredy to give an update on the Planning and Operations committee.

Board Member Megredy discussed the public hearing on KAR 109-2-9 (Variances) and KAR 109-3-1 (Certification) regulations. The Chairman stated that no comments were made from the public, and the Committee recommended that the regulations be passed and forwarded for implementation.

Motion: To accept the language for regulations KAR 109-2-9 and KAR 109-3-1. Moved by Board Member Megredy, seconded by Vice Chair Behan. After further discussion, a roll call vote was requested:

<i>Dr. Allin</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>JR Behan</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Comm. Boaldin</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Deb Kaufman</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>BC Rick Rook</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Joe Megredy</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Col. Wasson</i>	<i>Yes</i>
<i>Sen. Emler</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Dr. Hornung</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Rep. Swanson</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Rep. Neighbor</i>	<i>Absent</i>
<i>Sen. Faust-Goudeau</i>	<i>Absent</i>

There were seven yes votes and zero no votes. Motion passed.

Board Member Megredy advised the Board that the Planning and Operations also discussed the issue of inspections and the need to have a mechanical and safety inspection conducted on a new ambulance. Dr. Allin called upon Mark Willis, Newton Fire/EMS, to speak. Mr. Willis spoke on the issue of “temporary” ambulance licenses and the need for a mechanical inspection.

After some discussion the Board directed staff to implement the following policy:

To fulfill the provisions of KAR 109-2-5 (h) and (I):

1. Provide a safety/mechanical inspection (on KBEMS forms or manufacture’s documentation demonstration some inspect, a quality assurance document or agency validation of specification

compliance), a fee, and application for each vehicle. Forms may be faxed and payment by credit card or purchase order.

2. If no inspection document is available upon application submission and payment, KBEMS will issue a license for 60 days, without extension, to allow for the safety and mechanical inspections to be submitted with the 60 day period.

Staff suggested sending the inspection form with the initial bid, and make filling the inspection form out a mandate by the manufacturer upon delivery.

The Kansas Emergency Medical Information System (KEMIS) Project Manager informed the Committee of the upcoming training dates for the 2nd roll-out of the system, and stated that an “explainer” of the Hospital Bridge and KEMIS had been developed and distributed. Terry David (EMS representative to the Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee) made a presentation on the May 19-20, 2009 meeting of the SIEC. Mr. David stated the Committee was continuing its process of evaluating the system, acquiring funding to complete the project, and possibly revising the advisory committee. Sarah House (Emergency Medical Services for Children) Program manager discussed the emergency pediatric classes (EPC), pediatric emergency disaster life support (PEDLS) class, and introduced Terry the Traumasaurus to the Board. Rosanne Rutkowski, Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) Trauma Program Manager for the Advisory Committee on Trauma (ACT) discussed the new Level IV criteria for hospitals, the EMS Medical Director’s Training and upcoming conference being held on June 17, 2009, and the completion of level III designation and hospitals attempting to “apply” for level III designation. Lastly, she reiterated concerns raised by hospitals and the speed at which patient care reports were being left by EMS services. Lastly, the Executive Director discussed federal legislation and the recommendation made by the Rural and Frontier Steering Committee to hire a “Regional Resource Officer” (part of the KRAF grant) to assist Regions with technical assistance, classes, and the rural and frontier EMS response plan.

Education, Examination, Training and Certification Committee

Vice Chair Behan gave a report on Education Examination Training and Certification. Vice Chair Behan called upon staff member Carman Allen to give an update on the Education Development Task Force (EDTF).

The EDTF held a meeting on April 20 and 21, 2009 in Salina. A presentation was provided on the Restructuring of Educator Processes by Jon Friesen and the EDTF Chairman Chad Pore. The Committee recommended that the document be placed on the Board website, and that the document be preliminarily approved subject to continued review through the Regional Councils. The EDTF recommended that subsection (o) be struck from KAR 109-5-1 and subsection (m) be changed to read 12 hours, as opposed to 28 hours. The EDTF also made recommendations for changes to KAR 109-11-1, KAR 109-11-3, KAR 109-11-4 and KAR 109-11-6 and developed a distance learning regulation (KAR 109-10-7)

KAR 109-5-1 – As previously discussed, the EDTF has recommended changes to this regulation to include the striking of subsection (o) and changes to subsection (m) to reflect 12 hours of distance education as opposed to 28 hours previously addressed in the draft of this regulation.

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KAR 109-5-4 – REVOKED. Replaced by KAR 109-15-1. This regulation was omitted from the Joint Rules and Regulation committee agenda. Board staff was unaware of the oversight due to no discussion being held over either of the revoked regulations. It 109-15-1 will be rescheduled for hearing by the Joint Rules and Regulations Committee.

KAR 109-10-7 – This regulation was developed by the EDTF to address distance education. It is being presented to the Education committee for conceptual approval to begin the legal review processes.

KAR 109-11-1, KAR 109-11-3, KAR 109-11-4 and KAR 109-11-6 – These regulations were rewritten by the EDTF to decrease duplication of information and improve consistency throughout. They are being presented to the Education committee for conceptual approval to begin the legal review processes.

Motion: To begin the regulation process for these seven (7) regulations. Moved by Vice Chairman Behan, seconded by Board Member Kaufman. Motion passed.

The Committee also discussed the Scope of Practice Transition Course Task Force. The Chairman stated that there were four proposals being submitted. These proposals were reviewed by Executive Director and Chairman Behan on April 22, 2009. The Steering Committee met to interview vendors on May 22, 2009 in Salina. The Procurement Negotiating Committee (PNC) at the Department of Administration (with Steering Committee recommendation) has preliminarily chosen the Friesen Group to develop the transition course. The project would be implemented over the next 16 months, and the Task Force would continue to meet. Lastly, Mr. Kim Grubbs from Johnson County Community College (JCCC) presented an overview of their approved hybrid online/classroom skills First Responder course. This course was following the legal interpretation of KAR 109-11-8.

[Executive Committee](#)

Commissioner Boaldin called upon Executive Director Waller to give an update on the Executive Committee. The Executive Director discussed the FY 2009/FY 2010 Budget. The Director stated that KBEMS budget had been reduced by 3.0 percent in FY 2009 and FY 2010. The reductions were made by the Legislature through the transfer of funds from the EMS Operating Fund ending balance to the State General Fund (SGF).

Lastly, the Executive Director presented The Assistance Review Committee (ARC) made completed the initial review of KRAF application. The ARC approved, graded, and ranked (by consensus according to the provisions of the grant) the following applications (the remainder will be reviewed on April 6, 2009):

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Argonia EMS	Lifepak 12 defibrillator	1	22,866.41
CHEYENNE COUNTY AMBULANCE	long spine boards	5	699.75
CHEYENNE COUNTY AMBULANCE	long spine board straps	10	158.50
CHEYENNE COUNTY AMBULANCE	vacuum splints	2	1,318.98
CHEYENNE COUNTY AMBULANCE	adult airway mgmt trainer	1	1,357.25
City of Larned Emergency Medical Service	Zoll Monitor/ Defibrillator	1	14,621.00
Dickinson County EMS	Defibrillator/AED	2	64,828.00
Ellsworth County EMS	Zoll E Series	1	23,211.00
Harper County Emergency Medical Services	LifePack 12 Lead ECG Monitors	3	29,686.50
Kiowa County EMS	EZ IO System	1	829.66
Kiowa County EMS	EZ IO Training System	1	387.00
Kiowa County EMS	Pediatric Spine Boards	1	475.19
Kiowa County EMS	Taction Splint	1	218.50
Kiowa County EMS	KED	1	154.79
Kiowa County EMS	Phillips MRX	1	25,536.00
Lincoln County Ambulance Service	Zoll E-Series	2	48,147.00
Mitchell County EMS	Stryker Rugged Stair chair	4	2,669.00
Mitchell County EMS	Zoll M Series Monitors	1	14,843.00
Moundridge EMS	Stair Chair	2	6,112.00
Northwest Kansas Ambulance Service	Laerdal IV training kit	1	412.50
Norwich Ambulance Service	Zoll M-series heart monitor	1	14,768.75
Phillips County EMS	Defibrillator	1	28,142.10
Republic County Emergency Medical Services	Zoll Med E series defibrillato	1	28,142.10
SEDAN AREA EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE	ZOLL E SERIES	2	42,021.00
DIST. II INC.	DEFIBRILLATORS		
WINFIELD AREA EMS	4 Stryker 6252 Stair Chairs	4	12,224.00
TOTAL			383,829.98

Investigations

Colonel Wasson discussed the two hearing addressed by the Investigations Committee, and stated that the remainder of the Investigations Committee agenda would be completed upon the conclusion of the Board meeting.

- 2009-013. Respondent seeks reinstatement of certificate. Hearing conducted by teleconference. Hearing officer to provide decision to KBEMS legal counsel. Counsel will provide written decision to respondent within the next few weeks.

- 2008-054. Respondent failed to comply with CE audit & certificate suspended. Respondent seeks reinstatement of certificate. Hearing conducted. Hearing officer to render a decision to KBEMS counsel within the next few weeks.

- 2008-038. Respondent to submit EMT-I course records to KBEMS. On receipt of records, committee moved to close case without further action.

- 2009-007. Medication error self reported by service. Committee moved to accept local action and closed case.

- 2009-025. Medication error self reported by service. Committee moved to accept local action and closed case.

Budget/Office Update

The Executive Director had nothing to report.

Public Comment

Chairman Allin called upon Pam Kemp. Pam spoke on the KRAF grant and utilizing the education and support of services.

Executive Session

An executive session was called at 10:20 a.m. for fifteen (15) minutes to discuss non-elected personnel.

Motion: To hold an executive session. Moved by Vice Chairman Behan, seconded by Board Member Kaufman. Motion passed.

Executive session called from 10:20 a.m. to 10:35 a.m.

Extension of Executive session from 10:40 a.m. to 10:50 a.m.

Motion: To extend the Executive session from 10:40am to 10:50am. Moved by Vice Chair Behan, seconded by Comm. Boaldin.

Extension of Executive session from 10:50 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Motion: To extend Executive session from 10:50am to 11:00am. Moved by Vice Chair Behan, seconded by BC Rook.

Motion: To adjourn the board Meeting at . Moved by Commissioner Boaldin, seconded by Vice Chair Behan. Motion passed.

The Investigations Committee meeting was reconvened immediately following the full board meeting.