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DENNIS ALLIN, M.D., CHAIR
STEVEN SUTTON, INTERIM EXEC. DIRECTOR

MARK PARKINSON, GOVERNOR

BOARD OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

BOARD MEETING – (TELECONFERENCE) MINUTES

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Board Members Present

Dr. Dennis Allin
Dir. Deb Kaufman
JR Behan
Comm. John Miller
Joe Megredy
Comm. Bob Boaldin

Guests

Gary Winter
Sarah Green
Chy Miller
Thomas Co.
Sarah House
Chad Pore
Wendy Gronau
Leoti Amb Svc
Terry David
Dalene Deck
Bill Hellar -
Wellington
Robert Robbins
– Anderson Co.
Overland Park
Fire/EMS
Chris Way
Jack Taylor
Brandon Beck
Cord Anderson

Staff

Steve Sutton

Board Members Absent

BC Rick Rook
Rep. Vern Swanson
Sen. Jay Emler
Dr. Joel Hornung
Col. Dale Wasson
Sen. Oletha Faust-Goudeau
Rep. Cindy Neighbor

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CALL TO ORDER

Steven Sutton, Interim Executive Director, called the Executive Committee teleconference to order on Tuesday, February 15, 2010 at 10:12 am. Individuals on the teleconference were asked to identify themselves for record purposes. With six of thirteen Board Members present on the teleconference, a quorum was not achieved. The purpose of the meeting was to;

1. provide a legislative update to the Board members as well as solicit guidance as to the approach to take regarding the scope of practice language.
2. solicit input on medical protocol approval verbiage
3. discuss board retreat/training
4. deciding interim Executive Director's salary
5. posting of the job announcement of the Executive Director

ISSUE(S) AND POSSIBLE ACTION

1. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE –

- A. SB 221 – a letter had been hand carried to the Chair, Senate Ways and Means Committee (Sen. Emler) notifying him of our intent to withdraw the bill.
- B. SB 222- had been passed out of the House Judiciary committee with amendments on Feb 10, 2010.
- C. SB 223/224 – Last heard on Jan. 21, 2010 with no action. Board members were informed that Interim Executive Director would schedule a meeting with Rep. Kinzer, Chair of Judiciary Committee to make the Chair aware that KBEMS wanted SB 223 and 224 to move forward.
- D. SB 262 –

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- 1) The teleconference attendees were briefed as to the status of the bill upon receipt from the reviser, and the draft transition language provided by the revisers.
 - a) The bill, as it had been received from the reviser and passed by the Senate, only contained language specific to the new attendants and the statutory language describing the new core scope of activities.
 - b) The transition language provided by the reviser's office simply moved all of the old attendant levels to the new attendant levels effective January 15, 2010.
- 2) Attendees were told that staff was scheduled to meet with the reviser after the teleconference to go over the bill with the necessary language changes. Staff expressed a concern about the significance of the changes to a bill already passed out of the Senate and recommended that the changes be as minimal as possible.
- 3) Staff recommended that the old language be re-inserted into the bill to ensure continued ability of currently certified attendants to continue to practice until the completion of the transition. Several comments from participants were made regarding the loss of capabilities with elimination of the EMT-I. After much discussion, Dr. Allin, Chair of the Board, directed staff to keep the Intermediate and Intermediate/Defibrillator language as is, and eliminate the requirement for transitioning, so that the current levels of attendants would be able to continue to function at that level to support their communities.

2. MEDICAL PROTOCOL APPROVAL LANGUAGE –

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A. The various versions of both KS Medical Society and KBEMS Staff verbiage recommendations, relative to the medical protocol approval were discussed and the following was decided;

- 1) Protocol approval language would remain the same, with the addition of the medical advisory council as an option.
- 2) Mandated statewide minimum-standard protocols language would not be included.
- 3) The definition of medical society would be included.

3. **BOARD RETREAT/TRAINING SESSION** – Staff reported that only four board members had responded to the e-mail to solicit interest in a board retreat/training session. Thos four were interested. Based on the responses, the issue of the session was postponed pending further discussion.

4. **INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S SALARY** – Staff made the Board members aware that although several e-mails had been sent out, that very little input had been received. It was decided that the KBEMS Human Resource Officer would coordinate with the Chair and Vice-Chair to resolve this issue.

5. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S JOB ANNOUNCEMENT-** Staff requested a timeline to post the vacancy announcement for the Executive Director's position. It was decided that the job description would be made available to the Board Members' for review to determine what, if any changes, would be made prior to its posting.

Staff informed the Board members that they would meet with the reviser's at 11:00 am (immediately following the teleconference) to discuss the changes required in SB262.

The teleconference was terminated at @ 10:55.