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Dr. Joel E Hornung, Chair
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Board Meeting Minutes

August 25, 2016 12:30 pm

August 26, 2016 8:30 am

Approved

10/07/2016

Board Members Present

Dr. Joel Hornung
Director Chad Pore
Comm. Ricky James
Director Deb Kaufman
Chief Shane Pearson
Director John Ralston
Director Jeri Smith
Rep. Susie Swanson
Dennis Franks
Dr. Martin Sellberg
Sen. Mitch Holmes
Sen. Oletha Faust-Goudeau
Comm. Robert Saueressig
Dr. Gregory Faimon

Board Members Absent

Rep. Broderick Henderson (E)

Attorney General Staff

Sarah Fertig

Staff Present

Joe House – Exec Dir

Guests

James Zeeb
Craig Isom
Charles Foat
Jason White
Marvin VanBlaricon
John Hultgren
Gary Winter
John Helmer
Ashlye Arnold-Baxter
Terry David
Dan Hudson

Representing

Kansas City Kansas FD
MedTrans / EagleMed
Johnson County Community College
Mid-America Regional Council
Clay County EMS / Region IV / KEMSA
Dickinson County EMS / KEMSA
Region I EMS
McPherson EMS
McPherson EMS
Reno County EMS / Region III
University of Kansas Hospital

Call to Order

Chairman Hornung called the Board Meeting to order on Thursday, August 25, 2016 at 12:35 pm.

Introductions of Commissioner Robert Saueressig and Dr. Gregory Faimon as newly appointed members of the Board. Comm. Saueressig replaces Comm. Keith Olsen. Dr. Gregory Faimon replaces Dr. David Kingfisher.

Discussion

Executive Director House led the Board through a facilitated discussion to identify goals and objectives of the Board. During the discussion, key words and topics were identified along with multiple possible goals and objectives for the Board. The discussion identified strengths, weaknesses, threats, and opportunities for the Board.

Recess

The Board recessed until 8:30 am, Friday, August 26, 2016.

Day 2

Senator Faust-Goudeau was excused for Day 2 for a previously scheduled legislative event. The Board resumed their meeting at 8:30 am and Executive Director House provided a summary of the Day 1 discussion. Further refinement was provided to the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats determined during the Day 1 discussion.

Executive Director House presented a conceptual plan for continuing education and certificate renewal to the Board. The plan was designed based upon the following 8 points that were brought forward during the public comment period for continuing education regulation changes in December 2015:

- 1) Hours do not equal competency.
- 2) Increased hours equates to increased cost.
- 3) Experience should count to decrease an hour requirement for continuing education.
- 4) Categories of education increase difficulty to attain.
- 5) What is the overall purpose of completing continuing education?
- 6) Increased hours are a time burden to volunteer providers.
- 7) Hours are excessive in comparison to other healthcare professions.
- 8) Absence of a needs assessment stating that more education is necessary.

The conceptual plan is a complete deviation from a mandated hours-based continuing education approach and becomes an assessment based educational process. The provider completes an assessment and is only required to complete education in those areas identified as not meeting an expectation. The expectation is entry-level cognitive knowledge at the level for which the provider is certified. The plan requires that quality assurance/quality improvement continue to be performed to ensure that patient care is still appropriate and adequate.

The Board asked that the conceptual plan be placed into writing and disseminated for public comment and for a more formal discussion at the October meeting.

Dr. Sellberg asked the Board to consider scheduling a planning meeting similar to this annually. This received a consensus approval of the Board without a formal motion or vote.

Director Pore asked that a process begin to look at the regulatory requirements specifically of paramedic programs and to compare them with the current accreditation requirements to identify any similar or conflicting areas.

Adjourn

The Board adjourned at 12:15pm.

Future 2016 Board Meeting Date(s)

October 7th, 2016
December 2nd, 2016

2017 Board Meeting Date(s)

February 3rd, 2017
April 7th, 2017
June 2nd, 2017
August 4th, 2017
October 6th, 2017
December 1st, 2017