

Paramedic Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
April 11, 2011

PRESENT

Chief Daryl McNutt  
Chief Jeff Kowalski  
Chief Rick Helminski  
Rod Standiford  
Nicole Knight  
Kenan Mylander  
Jim Fenn  
Chad Premo  
Dr. Daniel Schwerin  
Wayne Hartford  
Dan Desmond

REPRESENTING

Whitehouse Fire  
Sylvania Twp. Fire  
Springfield Fire  
Sylvania Twp. Fire – LS 6  
Toledo Fire – LS1  
St. Vincent Mercy Medical Center ED  
Flower Hospital  
ProMedica  
St. Vincent Medical Center  
Toledo Fire  
Toledo Fire – LS2

STAFF

Dennis Cole  
Dr. David Lindstrom  
Brent Parquette  
Pat Moomey  
Al Moenter  
Loren Boykin

Emergency Services Director  
Medical Director  
QA/QI  
Dispatch Supervisor  
Annex Supervisor  
EMS Dispatch

ABSENT

Rich Ellett

Tracy Stanford  
Keith Mooseman  
Chief Charles Flack

Toledo Fire – LS 3  
Toledo Fire – LS 4  
Toledo Fire – LS 5  
Maumee Fire – LS 7  
Oregon Fire – LS 8  
Whitehouse Fire – LS 9  
Springfield Fire – LS 10  
Washington Twp. Fire  
Waterville Fire  
Jerusalem Twp. Fire

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called at 9:02 am.

**Minute Approval**

The minutes from March 14, 2011 meeting were available for review. With no corrections, Rod Standiford made a motion to accept the minutes which was seconded by Nicole Knight. The minutes were approved as written.

## **Training**

Brent reported the CE comments from March were available to review. Brent reported March's CE topic was presented by Rod Standiford on pediatric emergencies with children with special health care needs and sharing his experience with his own child who has special needs. Brent reported that Rod's presentation was well received as seen on the evaluations. There were also pediatric skills stations. April's CE topic is on Trauma triage. The first couple of CE sessions have gone well. May's topic will be chart review with Dr. Lindstrom at most of the CE sessions.

## **QA**

Dr. Lindstrom reported there were a couple of individual incidents where he has met with both the paramedics and chiefs involved.

## **Old Business**

UTMC - Dr. Lindstrom reported he followed up on the issue brought up regarding UTMC and "holding pattern" issue brought up at the last meeting. Dr. Lindstrom has met with them and they are focusing on the issue.

LP15 – Dennis asked the paramedics in attendance if there were any issues with the new LP15's. None reported. Brent reported there have been some connectivity problems with the blue tooth that he is working on. Brent reported on an update on the STEMI transmission saying St. Vincent and Toledo on line shortly and there is a hold up with St. Luke's that he is going to discuss with Cheryl Herr.

Dr. Lindstrom reported there have been e-mails to IT, nurse managers and the medical directors to get the hospitals to set up so the EKG can get sent to the ER MD and cath lab as well to the cardiologist. Also, the hospital to focus on the STEMI to balloon times to look at the efficiency of our EMS times.

## **New Business**

Regency Hospital - Craig Koperski said LS6 had a couple of runs to Regency Hospital. On one of the runs, they had to call LCEMS Dispatch for a Mobile ICU ambulance to transport due to all the lines and medications the patient was on and not in our protocols. Dr. Lindstrom asked for dates and times for the incident for his review. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding LS responsibility and the hospital calling 9-1-1. Craig also mentioned this hospital called saying a patient was in cardiac arrest to find out it was not.

Annex – Craig asked the question if a couple of meds could be pulled, i.e., 250 cc bags of NS, Lidocaine and Valium. Dr. Lindstrom said Lidocaine needs to be left on due to the recall of Amiodarone and also, Valium due to the shortage of Versed. Rod said he likes using the 250 NS on kids. Dr. Lindstrom mentioned the use of the 3 chamber dialer (Selec 3 tubing) can be used on kids to control the rates.

LS 6 cooler – Rod asked for an update on the refrigerator for LS6's truck. Al mentioned the Chill Core had to be sent back for repair. In fact there are several others that had to be sent back. Dr. Lindstrom said to use an Igloo cooler with ice as back up. Change out the ice twice a day or more frequently with rising heat.

### **Open Discussion**

The question was raised if there was a resolution regarding the privates with one paramedic. Dennis reported there is no resolution. If no life squad is available, we seek a dual medic private ambulance. If one is not available, we will drop down to the private ambulance with one paramedic. The Yearly Total of Private Ambulances Dispatched as Life Squads data was provided to the Policy Board for their review and discussion.

### **Next Meeting and Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:32 a.m. The next meeting will be held Monday, **May 9<sup>th</sup>** at 9:00 a.m.