

LCEMS POLICY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
May 2, 2012

Members Present:

Mary Beth Crawford, M.D.  
Chief Daryl McNutt  
Chief Barry Cousino  
Chief Ed Ellis  
Chief Tom Wagener for Chief Monto  
Chief Jeff Kowalski  
Peter Ujvagi  
Chief Luis Santiago  
David Lindstrom, M.D.  
Dennis Cole

Representing:

Hospital Council/St. Luke's  
Whitehouse Fire Department  
Springfield Twp. Fire Department  
Oregon Fire Department  
Maumee Fire Department  
Sylvania Twp. Fire Department  
Lucas County Administrator  
Toledo Fire  
LCEMS Medical Director  
Emergency Services Director

Absent:

Mayor Michael Seferian  
Mayor Michael Bell  
Chief Kevin Bernhard  
Leslie Kohli  
Mayor Tim Wagener  
Mayor Angela Kuhn

City of Oregon, Mayor  
City of Toledo, Mayor  
Lucas County Fire Chief's Association  
Springfield Twp. Trustee  
City of Maumee, Mayor  
Village of Whitehouse – Mayor  
Sylvania Twp. Trustee

Attendees:

Brent Parquette  
Pat Moomey  
Vicki Malinoski  
Chief Brian Byrd  
Dr. Todd Brookens  
Julie Goins  
Charlene Phillips  
Chris Schultz  
Jack Morash  
Dr. Daniel Schwerin  
Dr. Sean Marquis

LCEMS QA/QI  
LCEMS Communications Manager  
LCEMS Administrative Specialist  
Toledo Fire  
ProMedica  
Life Flight  
Life Star  
Life Star  
ProMedica  
St. Vincent Mercy Hospital  
UTMC

**Call to Order**

Dr. Crawford called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

### **Minute Approval**

The minutes from the April 4, 2012 meeting were distributed to review. Chief Kowalski made a motion to accept the minutes which was seconded by Chief Cousino. Minutes were accepted as printed.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Medical Committee**

No meeting to report. The next Medical Committee meeting is scheduled for June 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Paramedic Committee**

Chief McNutt reported this committee met April 9<sup>th</sup>. Items for discussion were new equipment, i.e, Smart Bag and disposable CIDs (Styrofoam collar), CE issues and drug shortages. The next meeting is scheduled for May 14<sup>th</sup>.

#### **CE Update**

Brent reported May's CE topic is Trauma Triage with skill stations. Also, updating the paramedics on the Controlled Substance Policy. The chiefs were given this policy for their review and suggestions earlier. The topic of Hypothermia has been deferred until the probes have been tested and are adequate for our use.

Chief Cousino reported the disposable CIDs were discussed at the Chief's meeting and he was wondering if they were being distributed to all involved. Dennis Cole reported we will distribute the initial collars to all involved. It will be the same system as we have been practicing.

Chief Kowalski inquired about the Knox Box and those numbers starting with zero. Brent reported he has fixed the issue and this will go live in June.

#### **EMS Billing**

Vicki reported EMS collected in April \$282,189 and to date 1,447,234.

#### **Drug Shortages**

Dr. Lindstrom introduced Dr. Sean Marquis saying he was a third year resident. Dr. Lindstrom said Sean was a paramedic in the past in Minneapolis and will be doing a Fellowship in Milwaukee.

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Dr. Lindstrom reported the Annex received 200 Fentanyl Friday. Dr. Lindstrom said we are awaiting delivery of Midazolam (Versed). Dr. Lindstrom reported with receiving the additional Fentanyl, he will await sending the Dilaudid out in the field. All the chiefs were given the draft Controlled Substance policy to review and with nothing heard back we are moving forward with it. Dr. Lindstrom reported there are several risk points for the County. The Annex, with the possible diversion potential in poor inventory control and at the fire station. Dr. Lindstrom said Brent has thought this through very carefully. Dr. Lindstrom reported we are well ahead of DEA expectations.

Brent reported this policy is being covered with the paramedics. Also, the Fentanyl we received is not in the regular packaging, it is in the glass ampule form.

### **Open Discussion**

Chief Santiago reported the subcommittee on ALS met. In attendance were the chiefs, Dr. Lindstrom, Dennis Cole, Brent and Pat. Primarily discussed were the challenges and stake holders. Further research such as engaging with a consultant. Our next meeting is scheduled for May 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m..

Chief Byrd raised the question regarding another dispatcher on midnights saying it was discussed in the past and has this been nixed? Dennis Cole reported this is under review. Pat Moomey said there are only two dispatchers on midnights and if one is hired, it wouldn't cover seven days.

Chief Wagener reported not all of LS7's patient reports are in the data base and asked if there was a problem. Dennis Cole reported we are aware. Dennis said Dave is at a Zoll conference. The staff is working on the issue.

Chief Wagener mentioned the County paid \$185,000 for a life squad. The valve to switch from heating to air conditioning is located outside. Paramedics have to get out of the rig to change it over. Dennis Cole reported the County mechanic recommended this option and the valve where it is situated is easily accessible.

Dr. Lindstrom reported he and Brent met with a Toledo Fire Paramedic Bryce Blair. Bryce approached them regarding doing a paper for his PhD internship, doctor program at Bowling Green University. Dr. Lindstrom said we are expanding IRB process with the cardiac arrest patients.

Chief McNutt reported he has been the chair of the Paramedic Committee for a number of years. He said Chief Kowalski has expressed an interest in being chair. Chef McNutt said it would start with the next meeting, May 14<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Crawford gave thanks for his volunteering and welcomed Chief Kowalski to the position.

### **Next Meeting and Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 a.m. The next meeting will be **Wednesday, June 6, 2012 at 8:30 a.m.**