

LCEMS POLICY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
October 3, 2012

Members Present:

Mary Beth Crawford, M.D.
Chief Daryl McNutt
Chief Barry Cousino
Chief Rick Monto
Chief Ed Ellis
Chief Jeff Kowalski
Chief Luis Santiago
Mayor Angela Kuhn
David Lindstrom, M.D.
Dennis Cole

Representing:

Hospital Council/St. Luke's
Whitehouse Fire Department
Springfield Twp. Fire Department
Maumee Fire Department
Oregon Fire Department
Sylvania Twp. Fire Department
Toledo Fire
Village of Whitehouse – Mayor
LCEMS Medical Director
Emergency Services Director

Absent:

Mayor Michael Seferian
Mayor Michael Bell
Chief Kevin Bernhard
Leslie Kohli
Mayor Tim Wagener
Peter Ujvagi

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

Attendees:

Brent Parquette
Pat Moomey
Vicki Malinoski
Lt. Kari Gonzalez
Captain Mark Benadum
Chief Tom Wagener
EMS Chief Martin Fuller
Lorren Boyken
Steve Memsic
Jim Hightower
Michael Sharp
Matthew Heyerman
Daniel Schwerinn, M.D.

LCEMS QA/QI
LCEMS Communications Manager
LCEMS Administrative Specialist
Toledo Fire – EMS Bureau
Toledo Fire – EMS Bureau
Maumee Fire Department
Whitehouse Fire Dept.
LCEMS Dispatch
MedCorp Amb
Mobile Care
Mobile Care
EMA
St. Vincent Mercy

Call to Order

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

Minute Approval

The minutes from the September 5, 2012 meeting were distributed to review. Chief Cousino made a motion to accept the minutes which was seconded by Chief Kowalski. Minutes were accepted as printed.

Committee Reports:

Medical Committee

Chief Cousino reported this committee met October 1st. Chief Cousino mentioned the committee hadn't met since April. Items discussed were the changes made to the Ice Protocol relative to where patients are transported to. CPAP use changes regarding COPD patients and the expansion use of Capnography. There were a couple of protocol changes, one being in the Weapons of Mass Destruction with the use of DuoDote™. Dr. Lindstrom reported on the drug shortages. Dr. Lindstrom reported at the meeting Versed had been pulled off the first responders because of the shortages allowing the life squads to use. Versed is not a shortage now and the county is considering placing it back on the first responders, but there has to be discussion with the chiefs on tracking of the drug. Discussed the shortage of Epi for cardiac, but the county received 500. Also discussed was the cervical immobilizer currently being used by the county. Dr. Lindstrom reported on the EMS residents responding to EMS runs. The UTMC residents using the MedCorp vehicle to respond. Also, Dr. Lindstrom reported the NWOC cardiologists suggesting the use of Plavix.

Dr. Lindstrom gave a clarification on using Plavix reporting it was affordable, but needs a consensus from all cardiologists.

Paramedic Committee

Chief Kowalski reported this committee met on September 10th and this committee basically covered the same topics. This committee will meet again on October 15th.

CE Update

Brent reported the CPAP training is completed and the equipment is out. This equipment also gives the paramedics the opportunity to nebulize patients with this device. Capnography is expanded. October's CE will address newer items needed for State requirements. One of the new pieces of equipment is the Morgan Lens.

EMS Billing

Vicki reported LCEMS collected \$309,925.67 in September and year to date \$3,288,561.50.

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Drug Shortages

Dr. Lindstrom reported the County is reasonably comfortable right now.

Draft Budget

Copies of the draft budget were provided for review. Dennis went over a couple of items, such as the Advanced Practice paramedic Program, equipment and contract services. Chief Kowalski asked if this draft budget had been submitted. Dennis reported yes. Chief Kowalski asked if there was time to adjust or is it locked down. Dennis reported it's not finalized until December. Chief McNutt asked where they stood with contracts. Dennis reported we need to start discussions. It was decided to meet after November's meeting to start the discussions regarding contracts.

Open Discussion

Dennis Cole reported a meeting has been set up with St. Anne Hospital with Dr. Lindstrom, Brent and himself to discuss the issue of diversion. The meeting is set for Tuesday at 9:00. If anyone present has any issues they would like taken to this meeting to let him know.

Next Meeting and Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 a.m. The next meeting will be **Wednesday, November 7th at 8:30 a.m.**