

LCEMS POLICY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
January 16, 2013

Members Present:

Mary Beth Crawford, M.D.
Chief Daryl McNutt
Chief Barry Cousino
Chief Matt Mathias for Chief Monto
Chief Ed Ellis
Chief Jeff Kowalski
Mayor Angela Kuhn
Peter Ujvagi
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
Village of Whitehouse – Mayor
Lucas County Administrator
LCEMS Medical Director
Emergency Services Director

Absent:

Mayor Michael Seferian
Mayor Michael Bell
Chief Kevin Bernhard
Leslie Kohli
Mayor Richard Carr
Chief Luis Santiago

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

Attendees:

Brent Parquette
Vicki Malinoski
Pat Moomey
Loren Boykin
Jon Ziehr
Captain Mark Benadum
Chief Brian Byrd
Lt. Matt Viertelbeck
Kim Hood
EMS Chief Martin Fuller
Curt Wamer
John Barnes
Josh Weinstein
Matt Heyrman

QA/QI
LCEMS Administrative Specialist
Dispatch Manger
EMS Dispatcher

Toledo Fire – EMS Bureau
Whitehouse Fire
First Care Ambulance
Air Guard Fire
Mobile Care Group
EMA

Call to Order

Dr. Crawford called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Minute Approval

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

Committee Reports:

Medical Committee

No meeting to report.

The next scheduled Medical Committee Meeting is February 4, 2013.

Paramedic Committee

Chief Kowalski reported on the Paramedic Committee Meeting held December 10th. Brent reported at the meeting what great a job A. Dennis from Springfield did in presenting material on infectious diseases. Chief Kowalski said he could attest to that. Brent had also mentioned at the meeting about the game purchased and how well it was accepted. Dr. Lindstrom reported he continued to deal with some issues regarding QA. It was reported at the meeting the CPAP and EZ IO have been distributed. Discussion regarding the CPAP units being used by EMT's and the protocol. Discussion of Versed, Etomidate and Fentanyl. Discussion regarding preceptors and students and their roles. A discussion was brought up regarding trading of the different entities to work. Brent reported on the JEMS Conference and the JEMS Games.

CE Update

Jon Ziehr reported there was no CE in December. January's CE topic is pediatrics and OB and February's CE will have cardiac and 12-lead. March will finish up with blood chemical analysis to fill the State's needs. National Registry certification is March and Brent will be busy getting the paramedic's paperwork prepared to send.

Brent reported the four team member for the JEMS Games have been decided, it is an all female team. There is representation from Toledo, Maumee and Springfield. They are Aislinn Dennis and Linda Bennett from Springfield, Nicole Heckman from Maumee and Tammy Ohrt from Toledo. Brent said the competition is March 6th.

EMS Billing

Vicki reported December's revenue is \$283,510.55 and year to date, 4,287,997.41.

Drug Shortages

Dr. Lindstrom reported we are not having any acute shortages. Epi is on the national watch list. Etomidate is still not available and we just use it for ICE patients. National shortages continue.

Dr. Lindstrom reported we are looking at a potential additional vendor for medications. Jumping through “hoops” to get that.

Open Discussion

Dennis Cole reported we are in the process of our Medicare/Medicad re-evaluation with MED3000.

Dennis reported Stryker will have XPS (expandable patient surface) cot adapters to expand patient surfaces that can be purchased in March at a cost of \$1,750.00. Dennis said he would like to move forward with it. Chief Kowalski made a motion to purchase the expanded surfaces which was seconded. The motion carried.

Dennis Cole reported at the last Paramedic Committee Meeting, the topic of changing the CIDs currently used. Dennis reported the Annex currently makes them and some of the surfaces can be rough on patients. Dennis said the ones being looked at are little more expensive, then the current ones we are using but can be reused.

Brent reported the County purchased a bariatric cot which will be stored at the Annex. Brent said he is developing a procedure to mobilize it. Brent said currently we depend on the privates to bring this kind of a cot when needed. Brent reported it is envisioned during business hours the annex personnel will deliver it and after hours, the department would have to come down to the Annex to get the cot. The weight limit when it is completely lowered is 1600 pounds and raised half way it is 800 pounds.

Dennis reported we currently depend on the privates. We purchased the bariatric cot in the event that no private transports are available with a bariatric cot.

Curt Wamer from First Care reported they have three bariatric cots and if needed, they can be called for their use.

Dennis reported at the last Paramedic Committee meeting the paramedics were still asking about purchasing the Stryker Load System. Toledo Fire purchased them and has had them for about a month. It was suggested at the meeting to wait and see how Toledo likes them.

Mark Benadum reported it has been overall positive. They had a couple little issues, i.e. lemon battery and minor adjustment to heights. Mark said they had one incident where they had a legitimate 600 pound patient and the Load System worked flawlessly once locked in the system.

Dennis reported the Load Systems are \$25,000.00 apiece. Brian Byrd said to wait a month or so to see how the Load System works out.

Matt Heyermann reported a resource to call for patients who are involved an incident requiring the use of a life squad or ambulance that have power wheel chairs or dogs. Black and White cab can be used to transport wheelchairs to the hospital and the dog warden can be called for dogs.

Dr. Crawford asked for a report in March.

Next Meeting and Adjournment

Chief Kowalski asked to go into Executive Session .The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 a.m. .
The next scheduled meeting is February 6th at 8:30 a.m.