

Paramedic Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
March 11, 2013

PRESENT

Chief Jeff Kowalski  
Dr. Daniel Schwerin  
John Barnes  
Lt. Matthew Viertelbeck  
Captain Mark Benadum  
Chief Rick Helminski  
Captain Jeff Hibbard  
Lt. Brian Dotson  
Nicole Knepper

REPRESENTING

Sylvania Twp. Fire  
St. Vincent Mercy Hospital  
180<sup>th</sup> ANGB  
TFD EMS Bureau  
TFD EMS Bureau  
Springfield Fire  
LS 9 – Whitehouse Fire  
LS 9 – Whitehouse Fire  
MSCH

STAFF

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

Emergency Services Director  
Medical Director  
QA/QI  
Communications Manager  
EMS Dispatch

ABSENT

Toledo Fire – LS1  
Toledo Fire – LS2  
Toledo Fire - LS3  
Toledo Fire – LS4  
Toledo Fire – LS5  
Sylvania Fire – LS6  
Maumee Fire – LS7  
Oregon Fire – LS8  
Springfield Fire – LS10  
Jerusalem Twp. Fire

Rich Ellett

Chief Charles Flack

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Chief Kowalski.

**Minute Approval**

The minutes from February 11<sup>th</sup> meeting were available for review. A motion was made by Captain Benadum and seconded by Brian Dotson to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved as written.

## **Training**

Brent mentioned the comments and evaluations from February were available for review. Brent reported they did a slightly different seating set up in CE, which they will continue to do in the future. Brent reported March's CE have the last two items needed to complete the curriculum requirements for the State. It includes Blood Chemistry, PEEP and a comprehensive protocol review at the end of the CE session.

Brent reported he had just returned from Washington D.C. from the JEMS Conference. Brent said at the next meeting he would like to show pictures and videos of the JEMS Games. Brent reported the girls did an exceptional job and is proud of them. Brent said there were ten teams involved and the girls placed 9<sup>th</sup>. A number of the teams have been there in the past. Afterwards Brent said they talked to a couple of the teams and got more insight on how to prepare for the competition. Unfortunately, due to the weather delay, the girls could not attend the preconference or see the setup and they had to go into it cold. Brent said he would like to take the same team back next year.

## **QA**

Dr. Lindstrom reported he has a handful of cases, nothing specific.

## **Old Business**

Drug Shortages – Dr. Lindstrom reported no shortage on Etomidate and as well as Versed.

## **New Business**

### **Open Discussion**

Matt Viertlbeck asked if there was any movement on the Power Lift System. Dennis reported the Policy Board asked that we hold off until we heard back from Toledo Fire's experience.

Captain Benadum reported their Workers Comp/Injury person, Lt. Verdell Franklin creates the data for injuries and he has noted a significant downward trend for back injuries with the use of the Power Lift Cots.

Chief Helminski inquired if it would benefit to merge this committee and Medical Committee together citing the lack of attendance and the shortness of the meetings.

Dr. Lindstrom reported the Paramedic Committee was formed so the paramedics could bring issues forward as it relates to them. The Medical Committee was for the physicians to discuss procedural issues.

Dennis said we could look at holding the meeting every other month.

Chief Kowalski suggested putting this on the Agenda for the next meeting. The decision was made to have the next meeting May 13<sup>th</sup>.

Dennis reported in following up with the XPS, there is going to be a demo this month.

**Next Meeting and Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m. The next meeting will be Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

Lucas County EMS  
Noncredit Course and Instructor Evaluation  
Course: 12-Lead EKG Review/Thrombolytic Therapy  
Course Dates: February 5,6,7,12,13,14,19,20,21,26, 2013

## COMMENTS

### February 5, 2013

- Very well presented, clear and understandable. Time change up in seating was refreshing and conducive to learning. Did not miss the skill stations. Skill stations are good teaching tool, but are not needed every month.
- Good review & format!
- Hard to see screen. Table arrangement nice for class participation.
- Brent was a little hard to hear tonight. Maybe the arrangement of the tables and him having to rotate around.
- Great EKG review! Esp. for us old timers. Game – a good way to learn the new info.
- Lucas County needs more lifesquads! Rattle in HVAC vent is distracting.
- Like the team approach. Very informative class, great review of 12 lead ECG
- Very well done.
- Great lecture from Brent. Seating uncomfortable, most people not facing screen & had to look around people to see screen.
- Always great to review 12-leads – never have enough practice.
- Good class
- Extremely useful information in the field.
- Great review of 12 Lead.
- Always good to review 12-lead criteria.
- Great information

### February 6, 2013

- Group technique works well. Very good review
- Excellent as always
- Nice change with the seating arrangement. Great review. Always learn something new when we review 12-Leads. It would be nice to mix up the categories on occasion during the Game Show.
- “Team 12 Lead” is the way to go!!!
- Excellent refresh – thanks!

### February 7, 2013

- Will look at materials next time Team 9
- Great CE this month. Like cardiac review! Game is good teaching tool!
- Great review & the game was great also
- Excellent – 12 L review always helpful. Love the “Game” format!!!
- Couple too many EKG’s. The follow up about pt’s is great to see.
- Like the game. 12-Lead rationales got lengthy, but the knowledge base & info is always welcomed by Brent.
- Mix us up again! Continue games also.
- Great 12-lead review! It’s always helpful
- Great review!

- I'm fine with change in seating, but I like to see the presenter for non verbal cues for interaction/communication; also tables up front make it difficult to see lower screen.

### February 12, 2013

- Great review!!!  
Great Lecture  
Great session → no more assigned seating!  
Always learn something new. Great job!  
Excellent, excellent, excellent. I never feel 100% confident with 12-leads because they can be so complicated, but this was an awesome refresher.  
Very good reinforcement liked the way class was set up. Need to get medics used to working as teams.

### February 13, 2013

- Love the game!  
Pre-course music = great! Seating arrangement=fail. Speakers very scratchy.  
Good CE  
Excellent & fun game  
Great review

### February 14, 2013

- Work like you play – sm group w/people you work with  
Like the friendly competition. The games make learning fun & interesting.  
More games!  
Great review. Learned a lot.  
Good information professionally presented. 10/10  
Good 12-lead review!  
Good 12-lead review & info – love game review format  
Good 12-lead review  
Awesome class  
The LUCAS Suction cups need to be disposable! All other pt. contact items are disposable! Stop being so cheap!  
Excellent review  
Great information  
Excellent review. Nice change w/group set-up.  
Excellent review  
Always enjoy this class, i.e. 12-lead review. The game thing is always a pleaser & educational  
Like the 12-lead review! EMS question – Would it be possible to get electric razors for all LifePacks? The disposable razors stink. Great CE!!  
Excellent review

### February 19, 2013

- 12 Lead review is my favorite C.E. always learn something new and is a great review to knock cobwebs off stuff as well.

- Great job. Thanks for the review.
- Great CE
- Much needed much appreciated review! Post ECGs w/case scenarios on website monthly w/ criteria review. Bud Crosby idea! I agree
- -Need continuous 12-Lead case review. Good stuff. –Game piece is a nice addition.
- Great 12 Lead class
- Very informative
- Great class
- Very informational
- Wellen's Syndrome not covered, but it was still an excellent CE! (Wellens Syndrome – ECG signs of impending occlusion of the left main or left anterior descending coronary artery. ECG show an inverted symmetrical T wave w/little or no associated change of the ST segment or R wave. Inversion appears principally in the V leads. The finding identifies patients who are at risk for an extensive MI.
- Great job! Great class
- Good session
- Very good review of EKG. Thanks. Very good class overall thanks again
- Good 12-Lead review. Thanks
- 12-Lead of the month posted on website (or every other month) Teaching points (not testing) or case study. Bud
- Very good learning concept.
- Damn you Sgarbossa!!! (Sgarbossa's Criteria – a set of electrocardiographic findings generally used to identify acute MI in the presence of a left bundle branch block (LBBB) or a paced rhythm.
- Great game!
- I think it would be good to do a CE segment on the various major heart defects such as Hypoplastic right heart syndrome or hypoplastic left heart syndrome + challenges w/ pt's w/single ventricle hearts and/or repairs. Also, info on myocarditis, children w/cardiac arrhythmias, etc. It seems that the complaints of those patients may be downplayed by EMS because they are not very well understood. Also, could you qualify criteria for use of nitrates + MS in pt's w/RVI by measurements of BP or other criteria in protocol? Very good class.
- Thanks!
- Informative! Thanks. Needed the review.

### **February 20, 2013**

- The review cases were a great tool. The 12-lead EKG Q&A/strips were an invaluable refresher!! Thanks. And, of course, the game is always fun & makes learning sink in better.
- Game test was a little long
- Great CE. Lots of good learning points. Fun game
- Fun CE, very informative.
- Great lecture & review of EKG's
- Great job
- Nice job. Very good review.
- Excellent review of EKG's
- Great Class! Good review.

### **February 21, 2013**

- The Euchre tournament seating arrangement was not favorable!

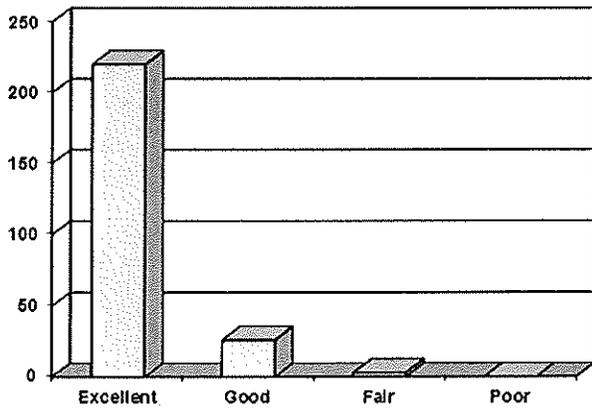
- Good CE – helpful info
- Brent should write a book
- Excellent class
- Great 12 Lead refresher.
- Very good CE
- Very good review. Nice to see added info.
- 12-Lead always a good review. Always enjoy the game.
- Thank you
- Good game
- Another great job!
- Need ice water and snacks on tables.
- 12-Lead lecture awesome as usual!
- Can we please get a continuity of codes at the ambulance doors at each hospital, including Bay Park? -Stop calling people out during class game.
- More classes like this!

### **February 26, 2013**

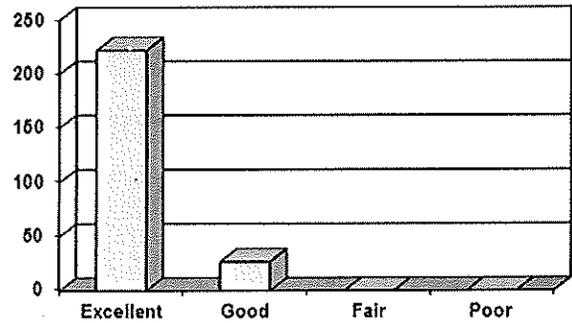
- These reviews are very good – helpful. Don't always need skill stations, reviews such as these allow more critical thinking time.
- Dislike seating – back to screen sucks. I enjoy working with personnel I see in the field. It's nice to meet other people, but I'd rather learn with people I'll call in the field. Please teach 12-lead basics for CE's! Advanced is nice, but many of us need the basic refresher again (trust me!) I personally suck at 12 leads. I don't do it every day, even though you assume we all do. I would love to be better, but generally, 12-lead CEs are well above my head. Sure, when I'm done with CE, I remember more, but the basic muscle memory is just not there! – Please consider offering a refresher BASIC 12-lead class annually so that those of us who don't turn often as medics can get the training we need. – Or, maybe CEs should be focused on the basics (good muscle memory) and you could offer optional advanced 12-lead classes.
- The Game Show continues to stimulate the mood of CE sessions. Also, enjoyed the café' floor design set-up, precipitated classmate intimacy (intellectually speaking of course)
- Exciting
- Excellent CE!
- Great job!
- Good job
- 12-Lead review is always appreciated & much needed. Thanks!
- Like the table set up. Nice to get to meet others.

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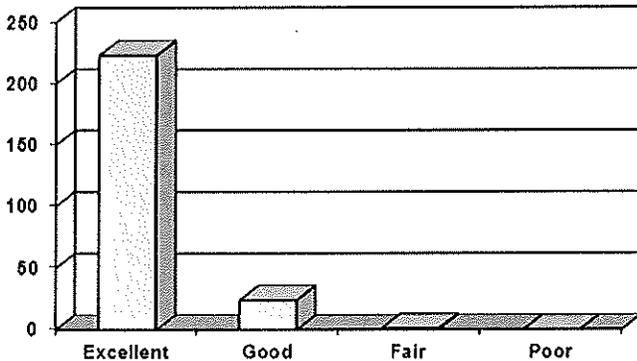
1. The course started on time



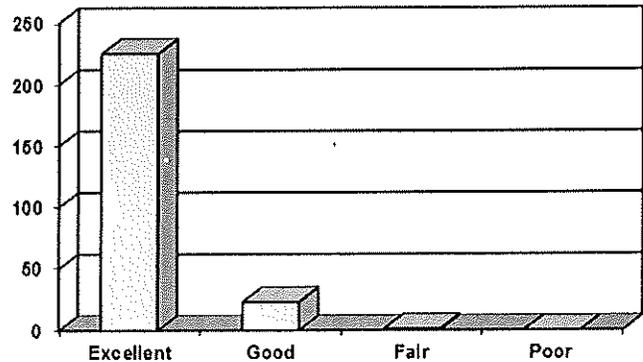
2. Course Objectives were clearly stated



3. Material was presented in an understandable manner



4. The instructor spoke clearly and loud enough to be heard



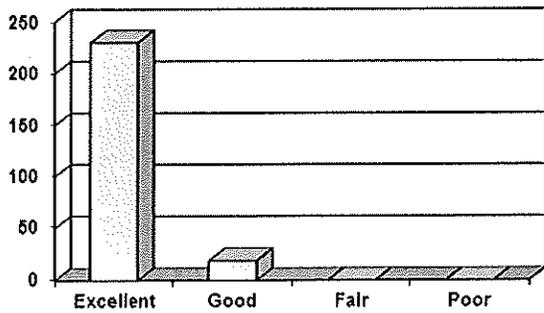
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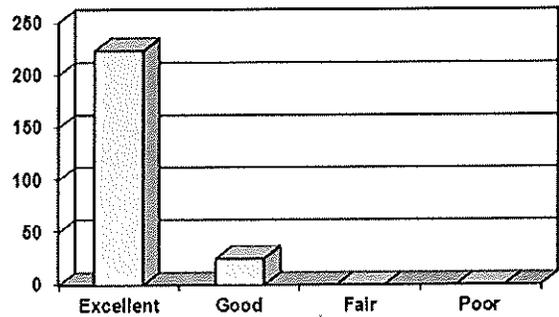
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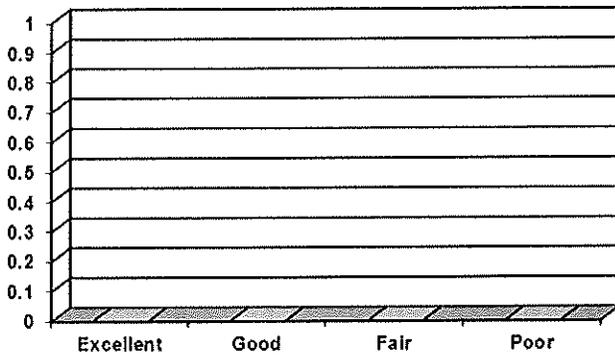
5. The instructor encouraged participation where appropriate



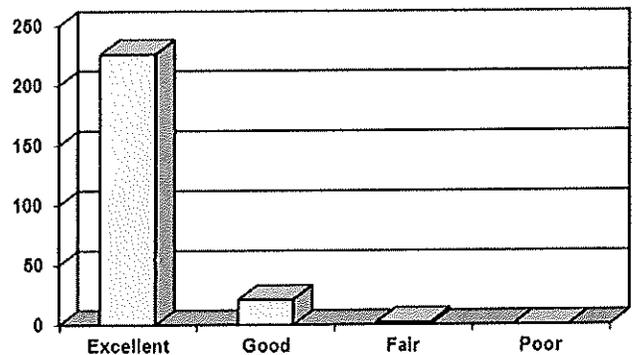
6. Handouts were easy to use and helpful



7. Did the written test reflect the objectives and course content? N/A



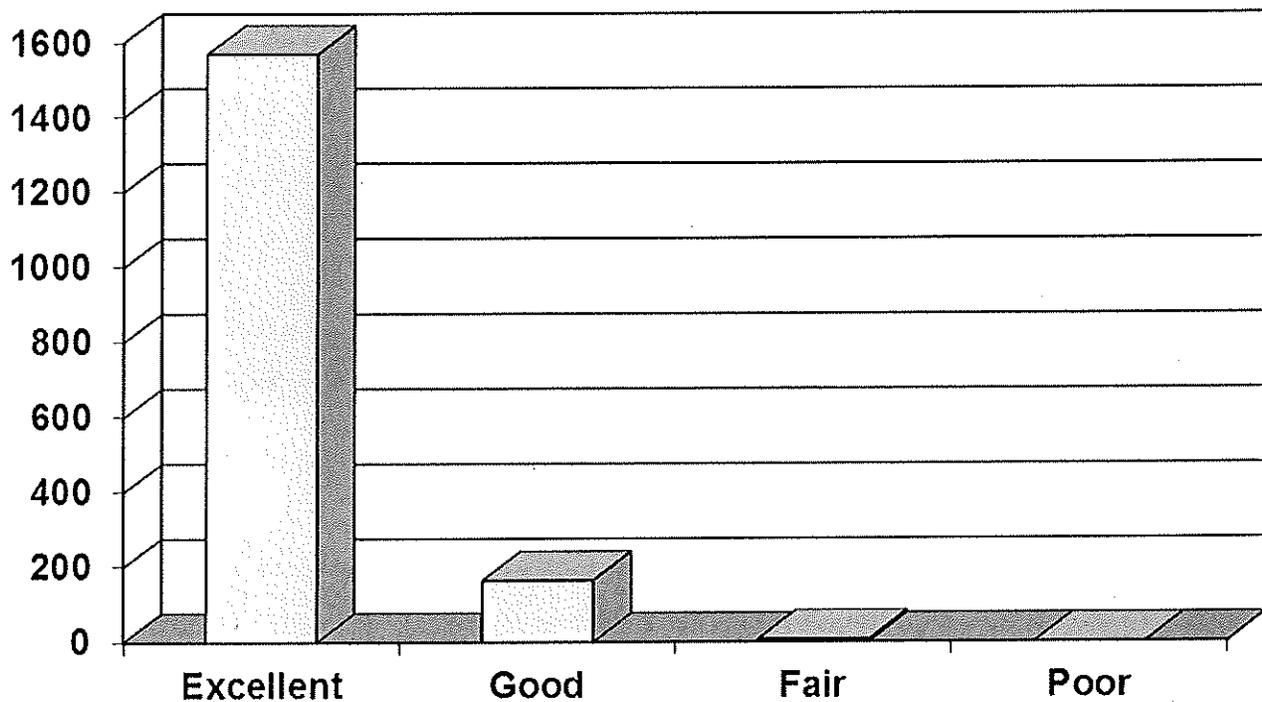
8. 8. My overall rating of session?



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## Summary of All Responses to All Questions



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