EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

DATE: August 24, 2016
TIME: 3:30pm
LOCATION: Indiana Emergency Response Conference
Sheraton Keystone at the Crossing
8787 Keystone Crossing
Indianapolis, IN 46240

MEMBERS PRESENT:
G. Lee Turpen II (Private Ambulance)
Darin Hoggatt (Paramedics)
Stephen Champion (Medical Doctor)
John Zartman (Training Institution)
Myron Mackey (EMTs)
Mike Garvey (Indiana State EMS Director)
Melanie Jane Craigin (Hospital EMS)
Terri Hamilton (Volunteer EMS)
Sara Brown (Trauma Physician)
Charles Valentine (Municipal Fire)
Andrew Bowman (RN)
Matthew McCullough (Volunteer Fire and EMS)
Brandon Wood (Director of Preparedness and Training)

OTHERS PRESENT:
Field Staff, Robin Stump, Tony Pagano, Candice Pope, and members of the
EMS Community.
CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 3:52pm by Chairman Lee Turpen. Mrs. Candice Pope called roll and announced quorum.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a. Adoption of minutes from the June 24, 2016 session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to accept the minutes from the June meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

Chairman Turpen took a moment to recognize the paramedic students that were in attendance. Chairman Turpen also recognized Commissioner Hoggatt for his recent promotion to Chief of the Greenwood Fire Department.

Honorary Certifications

Mr. Jason Smith presented the request for Ms. Debra O’Neal’s honorary EMT certification.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to award a retired EMT certification. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Valentine. Discussion followed regarding setting guidelines for honorary certifications. A sub-committee consisting of Mr. Jason Smith, Commissioner Mackey and Commissioner Zartman was established to work on the guidelines and to work with legal to write a non-rule policy to be presented at the next Commission meeting. The motion passed.

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

a. “In the Process” applications - Mrs. Hokanson reported that at the last Trauma Care Committee meeting it was recommended that the EMS Commission approve Memorial Hospital of Jasper to become an in the process Level III trauma center.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to approve the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mackey. The motion passed.

Mrs. Hokanson reported that the American Center of Surgeons has been going through some changes. Due to these changes there have been some delays in scheduling the site visits for the “in process” trauma centers. The Trauma Care Committee has requested another one year review from the hospitals that are over the two year mark. If there are any deficiencies noted or anything is noted to be of concern those would be brought back to the EMS Commission with a recommendation that they are taken out of the “in process” process.

Good Samaritan Hospital, Community Hospital of Anderson, and St. Elizabeth East have been asked to submit a second one year review.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman for these hospitals to stay in the process for another year. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. The motion was voted on twelve (12) in favor and one (1) opposed. The motion passed.

Mrs. Hokanson reminded everyone that the EMS Medical Director’s conference will be held on Friday (August 26, 2016) there are a few more spots opened for the conference. Mrs. Hokanson talked about the Labor of Love Summit. This year the Summit is being opened to EMS providers. The DOSE program will be
presented at the Labor of Love Summit. The registration fee has been reduced to $25.00 for EMS providers.

EMS FOR CHILDREN (EMSC)

Ms. Margo Knefelkamp shared the proposed performance measures that will begin in March 2017. There is a manual under development and will be available this fall.

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)

a. Report—Chairman of the Technical Advisory Committee Leon Bell discussed the changes to the PI manual.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to approve the recommended changes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

b. TAC Chairman Bell talked about the TAC discussions on the continuing education requirements for all levels of EMS and the TAC needs to do more research prior to being recommendations to the Commission.

A discussion was held regarding when the updated skills sheets should be implemented.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman for the updated skills sheets to be implemented on January 1, 2017. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. The motion passed.

Discussion was held regarding the vacancies on the TAC. The decision was made to hold an executive session prior to the next EMS Commission meeting to go over the applications that have been received for the vacant TAC positions.

INDIANA EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ASSOCIATION (IEMSA)

Mr. Metz reported for the IEMSA. The license plate has sold 600 in less than a year. Mr. Metz briefly discussed the upcoming conference in November. The conference price was dropped this year from $75.00 to $25.00. There will be skills session held on educator’s row at the conference. Mr. Metz talked about a traveling EMS museum that the IEMSA is sponsoring.

EMS EDUCATION WORKING GROUP

Mr. Kraig Kinney reported that they had the biggest attendance they have had so far at their meeting today prior to the EMS Commission meeting. Their meeting was productive and several topics were discussed but do not have recommendations at this time. Mr. Jeff Quinn was elected to a two year term for Vice Chairman.

PERSONNEL WAIVER REQUESTS

The following requested a waiver of Emergency Rule LSA Document #12-393 (E) Section 30 (e) An individual wanting to reacquire a certification shall: (1) complete an emergency medical responder recertification training course as approved by the commission; and (2) successfully complete the state written and practical skills examinations as set forth and approved by the commission. If the individual fails either certification examination, the person must retake an Indiana emergency medical responder training course. Mr. Betz is requesting a waiver to regain his EMR certification. His EMR certification expired June 30, 2015 and he did not renew online as required. Attached is a copy of his in-service record. The emergency rules do not have in place for an EMR to submit the late fee and hour to be renewed. The only option the rules allow is to retest the practical and written to regain EMR certification. Staff recommends: Denial – Based on there are rules in place allowing for expired EMR’s to retest.

John Betz
A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to approve staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown. The motion was voted on twelve (12) in favor and one (1) opposed. The motion passed to deny the waiver.

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 4-4-1 General certification provisions Sec. 1. (a) Applicants for original certification as an emergency medical technician shall meet the following requirements: (1) Be a minimum of eighteen (18) years of age. (2) Successfully complete the Indiana basic emergency medical technician training course as approved by the commission and administered by a certified training institution. (3) Pass the emergency medical technician written and practical skills examinations as set forth and approved by the commission. Mr. Gott is requesting a waiver of the age requirement for EMT certification. Mr. Gott will turn 18 on March 1, 2017. He completed his EMT course in April 25, 2016 and passed his EMT written exam with an 82%. Staff recommends: Approval – Based on supporting documents from Chief of Ramsey VFD.

Jack Owen Gott

A motion was made by Commissioner Valentine to approve staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hamilton. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of Rule 4. Certification of Emergency Medical Technicians 836 IAC 4-4-1 General certification provisions Authority: IC 16-31-2-7 Affected: IC 16-31-3 Sec. 1. (a) Applicants for original certification as an emergency medical technician shall meet the following requirements: (1) Be a minimum of eighteen (18) years of age. (2) Successfully complete the Indiana basic emergency medical technician training course as approved by the commission and administered by a certified training institution. (3) Pass the emergency medical technician written and practical skills examinations as set forth and approved by the commission. (b) The applicant shall apply for certification on forms provided by the agency postmarked within one (1) year of the date that the course was concluded as shown on the course report. Mr. Rothenberger is requesting additional time to complete his practical exam. Staff recommends: 60 day extension

Aaron Rothenberger

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to approve the. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

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Justin Vonderheide

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to approve staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hamilton. The motion passed.
**PROVIDER WAIVER REQUESTS**

The following requested a waiver SECTION 16. (a) This SECTION supersedes 836 IAC 2-7.2-3 (B) Endotracheal intubation devices, including the following: (i) Laryngoscope with extra batteries and bulbs. (ii) Laryngoscope blades (adult and pediatric, curved and straight). (iii) Disposable endotracheal tubes, a minimum of two (2) each, sterile packaged, in sizes 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 millimeters inside diameter. (D) Medications limited to, if approved by the medical director, the following: (i) Acetylsalicylic acid (aspirin). (ii) Adenosine. (iii) Atropine sulfate. (iv) Bronchodilator (beta 2 agonists): (AA) suggested commonly administered medications: (aa) albuterol; (bb) ipratropium; (cc) isoetharine; (dd) metaproterenol; (ee) salmeterol; (ff) terbutaline; and (gg) triamcinolone; and (BB) commonly administered adjunctive medications to bronchodilator therapy: (aa) dexamethasone; and (bb) methylprednisolone. (v) Dextrose. (vi) Diazepam. (vii) Epinephrine (1:1,000). (viii) Epinephrine (1:10,000). (ix) Vasopressin. (x) Furosemide. (xi) Lidocaine hydrochloride, two percent (2%). (xii) Amiodarone hydrochloride. (xiii) Morphine sulfate. (xiv) Naloxone. (xv) Nitroglycerin. Anderson Twp VFD is requesting a renewal waiver of the equipment and medications in the Intermediate rules. Anderson Twp VFD has ADV EMTs that are certified at the ALS level. Currently our rules do not have ADV EMT so the provider needs to follow the rules at the intermediate level. **Staff recommends: Approval – based on previous Commission action.**

Anderson Township Volunteer Fire Department

**A motion was made by Commissioner Valentine to approve the waiver. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.**

The following requested a waiver of SECTION 14. (a) This SECTION supersedes 836 IAC 2-7.2-1. (h) An emergency medical technician-intermediate ambulance service provider organization must be able to provide an emergency medical technician-intermediate level response. For the purpose of this subsection, "emergency medical technician-intermediate response" consists of the following: (1) An emergency medical technician-intermediate. (2) An emergency medical technician or higher. (3) An ambulance in compliance with the requirements of SECTION 16 of this document. (4) During transport of the patient, the following are the minimum staffing requirements: (A) If emergency medical technician-intermediate level advanced life support treatment techniques have been initiated or are needed: (i) the ambulance must be staffed by at least an emergency medical technician-intermediate or advanced emergency medical technician and an emergency medical technician; and (ii) an emergency medical technician-intermediate or an advanced emergency medical technician shall be in the patient compartment. (B) If advanced life support treatment techniques have not been initiated and are not needed: (i) the ambulance must be staffed by at least an emergency medical technician; and (ii) an emergency medical technician shall be in the patient compartment. Anderson Twp VFD is requesting a waiver of the staffing rule. They currently have 2 additional personnel yet to test to become certified. **Staff recommends: Approve – based on previous commission action. 6 month update e-mail EMS District Manager**

Anderson Township Volunteer Fire Department

**A motion was made by Commissioner Valentine to approve the waiver. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown. The motion passed.**

The following requested a waiver of Rule 2. Requirements and Standards for Paramedic Organizations 836 IAC 2-2-1 General requirements for paramedic provider organizations which reads (h) A paramedic ambulance service provider organization must be able to provide a paramedic level response. For the purpose of this subsection, "paramedic response" consists of the following: (1) A paramedic. (2) An emergency medical technician or higher. (3)
An ambulance in compliance with the requirements of section 3(e) of this rule. (4) During transport of the patient, the following are the minimum staffing requirements: (A) If paramedic level advanced life support treatment techniques have been initiated or are needed: (i) the ambulance must be staffed by at least a paramedic and an emergency medical technician; and (ii) a paramedic shall be in the patient compartment. (B) If an emergency medical technician-intermediate level advanced life support treatment techniques have been initiated or are needed: (i) the ambulance must be staffed by at least an emergency medical technician-intermediate and an emergency medical technician; and (ii) an emergency medical technician-intermediate shall be in the patient compartment. (C) If advanced life support treatment techniques have not been initiated and are not needed: (i) the ambulance must be staffed by at least an emergency medical technician; and (ii) an emergency medical technician shall be in the patient compartment.

Patients Transport Service is requesting a waiver of the staffing requirements for an ALS response. They would like to replace the paramedic with a Indiana licensed registered nurse when taking a patient from Dearborn County Hospital to primary specialty centers in Cincinnati and other cities.

Anderson Township Volunteer Fire Department

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to approve the waiver. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 1-4-2 Emergency medical services vehicle radio equipment Authority: IC 16-31-2-7; IC 16-31-3-14; IC 16-31-3-14.5; IC 16-31-3-20 Affected: IC 16-31-3-2 Sec. 2. (a) All communication used in emergency medical service vehicles for the purpose of dispatch or tactical communications shall demonstrate and maintain the ability to provide a voice communications linkage with the emergency medical service provider organization's dispatch center within the area that the emergency medical service provider organization normally serves or proposes to serve. (b) Communication equipment used in emergency medical services vehicles shall be appropriately licensed through the Federal Communications Commission, when applicable. The maximum power of the transmitter shall be not more than the minimum required for technical operation, commensurate with the: (1) size of the area to be served; and (2) local conditions that affect radio transmission and reception. (c) All emergency medical services vehicles shall be equipped with two (2) channels or talk-groups as follows: (1) One (1) channel or talk-group shall be used primarily for dispatch and tactical communications. (2) One (1) channel or talk-group shall be 155.340 MHz and have the proper tone equipment to operate on the Indiana Hospital Emergency Radio Network (IHERN) unless the provider organization vehicles and all the destination hospitals within the operational area of the provider organization have a system that is interoperable with the Indiana statewide wireless public safety voice and data communications system.

Cincinnati Children’s Hospital is requesting a renewal of a waiver for the requirement for the IHERN communications. They currently do all communication by cell phone. They do not do 911 calls or mutual aid calls. Staff recommends: Approval

Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center Transport Team

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to approve the waiver. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of (i) A paramedic ambulance service provider organization must be able to provide a paramedic level response. For the purpose of SECTION 10 [this SECTION], "paramedic response" consists of the following: (1) A paramedic. (2) An emergency medical technician or higher. (3) An ambulance in compliance with the requirements of 836 IAC 2-2-3(e). (4) During transport of the patient, the following are the minimum staffing
requirements: (A) If paramedic level advanced life support treatment techniques have been initiated or are needed: (i) the ambulance must be staffed by at least a paramedic and an emergency medical technician; and (ii) a paramedic shall be in the patient compartment. (B) If an emergency medical technician-intermediate level advanced life support treatment techniques have been initiated or are needed: (i) the ambulance must be staffed by at least an emergency medical technician-intermediate or an advanced emergency medical technician and an emergency medical technician; and (ii) an emergency medical technician-intermediate or advanced emergency medical technician shall be in the patient compartment. (C) If advanced life support treatment techniques have not been initiated and are not needed: (i) the ambulance must be staffed by at least an emergency medical technician; and (ii) an emergency medical technician shall be in the patient compartment.

Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center Transport Team is requesting a renewal of the waiver for the requirement of an Indiana licensed paramedic in the patient compartment during transport. The team as Ohio licensed RN’s, Registered Respiratory Therapists licensed in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana and EMT’s and Paramedic’s certified in Ohio. They are asking that these personnel be approved for the transport in the patient compartment. **Staff recommends: Approval**

Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center Transport Team

**A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to approve the waiver. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. The motion passed.**

The following requested a waiver of SECTION 16. (a) This SECTION supersedes 836 IAC 2-7.2-3 (B) Endotracheal intubation devices, including the following: (i) Laryngoscope with extra batteries and bulbs.(ii) Laryngoscope blades (adult and pediatric, curved and straight). (iii) Disposable endotracheal tubes, a minimum of two (2) each, sterile packaged, in sizes 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 millimeters inside diameter. (D) Medications limited to, if approved by the medical director, the following: (i) Acetylsalicylic acid (aspirin). (ii) Adenosine. (iii) Atropine sulfate. (iv) Bronchodilator (beta 2 agonists): (AA) suggested commonly administered medications: (aa) albuterol; (bb) ipratropium; (cc) isethionate; (dd) metaproterenol; (ee) salmeterol; (ff) terbutaline; and (gg) triamcinolone; and (BB) commonly administered adjunctive medications to bronchodilator therapy: (aa) dexamethasone; and (bb) methylprednisolone. (v) Dextrose. (vi) Diazepam. (vii) Epinephrine (1:1,000). (viii) Epinephrine (1:10,000). (ix) Vasopressin. (x) Furosemide. (xi) Lidocaine hydrochloride, two percent (2%). (xii) Amiodarone hydrochloride. (xiii) Morphine sulfate. (xiv) Naloxone. (xx) Nitroglycerin. Crawford County EMS is requesting a waiver of the equipment and medications in the Intermediate rules. Crawford County EMS has ADV EMTs that are certified at the ALS level. Currently our rules do not have ADV EMT so the provider needs to follow the rules at the intermediate level. **Staff recommends: Approval – based on previous Commission action.**

Crawford County EMS

**A motion was made by Commissioner Valentine to approve staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoggatt. The motion passed.**

The following requested a waiver of Rule 2. Requirements and Standards for Paramedic Organizations 836 IAC 2-2-1 General requirements for paramedic provider organizations (h) A paramedic ambulance service provider organization must be able to provide a paramedic level response. For the purpose of this subsection, "paramedic response" consists of the following (1) A paramedic. (2) An emergency medical technician or higher. (3) An ambulance in compliance with the requirements of section 3(e) of this rule. (4) During transport of the patient, the following are the minimum staffing requirements: (A) If paramedic level advanced life support treatment techniques
have been initiated or are needed: (i) the ambulance must be staffed by at least a paramedic and an emergency medical technician; and (ii) a paramedic shall be in the patient compartment. (B) If an emergency medical technician-intermediate level advanced life support treatment techniques have been initiated or are needed: (i) the ambulance must be staffed by at least an emergency medical technician-intermediate and an emergency medical technician; and (ii) an emergency medical technician-intermediate shall be in the patient compartment. (C) If advanced life support treatment techniques have not been initiated and are not needed: (i) the ambulance must be staffed by at least an emergency medical technician; and (ii) an emergency medical technician shall be in the patient compartment. Knox County EMS is requesting a waiver of staffing. Knox County states that they have an inability to always have an EMT available to run with a paramedic. Action taken at the last EMS Commission meeting: A motion was made by Commissioner Lockard to deny the waiver for normal day to day operations but grant a waiver for a second truck out or in an emergency situation with the requirement to report to their district manager when they have to use the waiver. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoggatt. Discussion followed. The motion was amended by Commissioner Lockard to deny the waiver for normal day to day operations but grant a waiver for a second truck out or in an emergency situation with the requirement to report to their district manager when they have to use the waiver. The waiver will be good for 6 months and that someone from Knox County EMS be present at the next Commission meeting to discuss the waiver. The amended motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. Commissioner Mackey abstained from the vote. The vote was taken and the amended motion passed. The Commission would also like to know what steps are being taken by Knox County EMS to correct their situation.

Knox County

A motion was made by Commissioner Valentine to approve the waiver. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. After some discussion Commissioner Valentine amended his motion to approve the waiver for one year with monthly reporting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 2-14-3 Advanced life support nontransport vehicle specifications Authority: IC 16-31-2-7 Affected: IC 16-31-3 Sec. 3 (b) All advanced life support nontransport vehicles shall meet or exceed the following minimum specifications for electrical systems: (3) Each advanced life support nontransport vehicle shall have an audible backup warning device that is activated when the advanced life support nontransport vehicle is shifted into reverse. (c) All advanced life support nontransport vehicles shall meet the following requirements for external identification: (1) Warning lights of red or red and white, at the discretion of the owner, and shall conform with Indiana law. All lights on vehicle shall be in working condition. (2) Each advanced life support nontransport vehicle shall display the four (4) numbers of the commission-assigned advanced life support nontransport vehicle certification number. The four (4) numbers, in sequence, shall be placed on each side of the advanced life support nontransport vehicle on the right and left front fenders and on the rear portion of the vehicle. Each number shall be in block letters not less than three (3) inches in height. These numbers shall be displayed in color contrasting, reflective material. The numbers shall be placed on the vehicle within seven (7) days of the receipt of the advanced life support nontransport vehicle certificate. The numbers shall be removed or permanently covered by the provider organization when the advanced life support nontransport vehicle is permanently removed from service by the provider organization. (3) A commission-certified vehicle sticker shall be displayed on all certified advanced life support nontransport vehicles. Lake County STAR Team is requesting a RENEWAL waiver of the backup alarm, 4 digit certification numbers and the red/White light requirement. This is a police agency and have blue lights on the ALS non-transport vehicle. Staff recommends: APPROVAL – based on previous Commission action.
A motion was made by Commissioner Valentine to approve the waiver. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hoggatt. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 2-2-1 General requirements for paramedic provider organizations (g) Each paramedic provider organization shall do the following: (1) Maintain an adequate number of trained personnel and emergency response vehicles to provide continuous, twenty-four (24) hour advanced life support services. North Vernon Fire Department is requesting a waiver to allow paramedics to respond but currently does not have 24 hour coverage. North Vernon FD has paramedic from 8-4 Monday through Friday and occasionally on Saturday’s. They are currently have 1 additional student finishing paramedic training and are looking to hire additional staff. Jennings County EMS which is an ALS transporting service responds with the FD. Staff recommends: Approve – based on previous commission action. 6 month update e-mail EMS District Manager

North Vernon Fire Department

A motion was made by Commissioner Valentine to approve the waiver. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zartman. The motion passed.

The following requested a waiver of Emergency rule LSA Document #12-393(E) SECTION 16. (a) This SECTION supersedes 836 IAC 2-7.2-3. (e) The emergency medical technician-intermediate provider organization shall ensure the following: (1) That stocking and administration of supplies and medications are limited to the Indiana emergency medical technician-intermediate or advanced emergency medical technician curriculum. Procedures performed by the emergency medical technician-intermediate or advanced emergency medical technician are also limited to the Indiana emergency medical technician-intermediate or advanced emergency medical technician curriculum. Northwest Allen County Fire and EMS is requesting a waiver to allow one of their ADV EMT’s that is also an RN to take transfers with medication running and managing a ventilator during the transport. They are trying to help with back-up transfers for their local hospital and are having a harder time getting paramedics due to opening another 911 truck last year. The ADV EMT/RN is not employed by the hospital. He currently is a certified ADV EMT, a licensed RN and has ACLS, PALS, PHTLS, NREMT-Advanced. Staff recommends: Denial – Based on rules for inter-facility transfers. (If RN was employed PRN and had the 2nd EMT onboard)

Northeast Allen County Fire and EMS

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to deny the waiver. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. Commissioner Brown abstained from the vote. The motion to deny the waiver passed.

The following requested a waiver of 836 IAC 2-2-1 General requirements for paramedic provider organizations (h) A paramedic ambulance service provider organization must be able to provide a paramedic level response. For the purpose of this subsection, "paramedic response" consists of the following: (1) A paramedic. (2) An emergency medical technician or higher. (3) An ambulance in compliance with the requirements of section 3(e) of this rule. (4) During transport of the patient, the following are the minimum staffing requirements: (A) If paramedic level advanced life support treatment techniques have been initiated or are needed: (i) the ambulance must be staffed by at least a paramedic and an emergency medical technician or higher; and (ii) a paramedic shall be in the patient compartment. (B) If an emergency medical technician-intermediate level advanced life support treatment techniques have been initiated or are needed: (i) the ambulance must be staffed by at least an emergency medical technician-intermediate and an
emergency medical technician; and (ii) an emergency medical technician-intermediate shall be in the patient compartment. (C) If advanced life support treatment techniques have not been initiated and are not needed: (i) the ambulance must be staffed by at least an emergency medical technician; and (ii) an emergency medical technician shall be in the patient compartment. Northeast Allen County Fire and EMS is requesting a waiver to allow them to transport with a driver during a paramedic response. They staff 2 24 hour trucks a day and run short on EMT's if someone calls off at the last minute. They average this happening approximately 3-4 times a year. Staff recommends: Approve – based on previous commission action. 6 month update e-mail EMS District Manager

Northeast Allen County Fire and EMS

A motion was made by Commissioner Mackey to approve the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McCullough. After some discussion Commissioner Mackey amended his motion to approve for 6 months. The amended motion was seconded by Commissioner McCullough. The amended motion passed.

An assignment was given to the IDHS staff to come up with a template for providers to complete that will make sure that the waiver contains all of the information the Commission consistently wanted to have for provider waivers.

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Switzerland County Emergency Response.

A motion was made by Commissioner Valentine to approve the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mackey. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Tables Business and/or waivers-none at this time
2. Current ongoing studies- none at this time
3. National Registry Implementation Briefings – State EMS Director Michael Garvey spoke to the Commission regarding the briefings. Director Garvey stated that three (3) briefings have been held and were well attended. Director Garvey thanked Mr. Rob Wagner from the National Registry for presenting the briefings along with IDHS staff.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Do not Resuscitate ID device- Mrs. Candice Pope stated she had a sample of the bracelet for any one that wanted to see it

A motion was made by Commissioner Valentine to approve StickyJ Medical to supply Do not Resuscitate id devices for the state of Indiana. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Mackey. The motion passed.

Chairman Turpen called for a short break at 5:13pm

Chairman Turpen reconvened the meeting at 5:21pm

2. The National Continued Competency Program – Mr. Rob Wagner went over the continuing education requirements that will be changing with the National Registry. Mr. Wagner also spoke about cognitive competency program.

Commissioner Zartman, Commissioner Valentine, and Chairman Turpen will look at the National registry information and compare it to Indiana’s current continuing education requirements. The sub-committee will being back information at the next Commission meeting.

ASSIGNMENTS

a. Past Assignments
b. Today’s Assignments

SUB-COMMITTEES

a. Accreditation Sub-committee (Commissioner Zartman Chairman)- Commissioner Zartman stated that all of the accredited programs need to make sure they get to a registry roll out so you are up to date on the upcoming changes.

b. Narcotics working group (Commissioner Zartman Chairman)- Commissioner Zartman stated that there are thing in process at the federal level and we are waiting to see what happens.

c. Data Collections sub-committee (Commissioner Valentine Chairman)- No report given

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

1. Administrative Orders Issued
   a. Personnel Orders
      i. 1 Year Probation

Order No. 0057-2016 Ambers, John A
No action required, none taken

Order No. 0048-2016 Eamonn, Brandon P
No action required, none taken

Order No. 0050-2016 Gour, Jason M.
No action required, none taken
      ii. 2 Year Probation
Order No. 0055-2016 Bredemeyer, Meagen T.
No action required, none taken

Order No. 0051-2016 Jones, Paige N.
No action required, none taken

Order No. 0054-2016 Turner, Kindra M.
No action required, none taken

STAFF REPORTS

A. Data Report – Mr. Michael Lockard and Ms. Angie Biggs reported. Mr. Lockard announced that as of today the Nemesis Elite system is in place as of today and is moving into the testing phase.

B. Operations Report – Ms. Robin Stump announce that there is an upcoming DPMU exercise at the Indianapolis International Airport. 56 people at today’s National Registry Briefing. Primary Instructors need to make sure to attend one of the National Registry Briefing.

C. Compliance Report- Mrs. Candice Pope reported that there have been 2,470 certifications audited. 1,276 certifications have been auto rejected, 1,539 certification have been approved. Since July we have held two team reviews regarding background histories. The team has reviewed 27 cases, 21 have been cleared, 2 put on 2 year probation, one renewal of an Emergency Suspension, 8 letters requesting additional information beyond what has already been submitted, and four records have been marked as under review to see if they self-report or not with their next renewal. There have been 12 initial letters sent out requesting additional information due to people checking yes on their initial applications or renewal application. Currently we have 77 active administrative orders – 1 paramedic suspension, 13 Emergency suspensions, 10 revoked certifications, 8 on one year probation orders (1 AEMT, 2 paramedics, and 5 EMTs), 43 on two year probation (7 EMRs, 29 EMTs, and 7 paramedics), 2 denial orders, and one probation order in effect until 2019.

D. Certifications report – (see attachment #1) – no action required, none taken

E. Training Report – (see attachment #2) – Mr. Tony Pagano briefly talked about his report. Discussion was held regarding ALS Training institutions submitting their annual reports to the EMS office.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zartman to have staff send out a letter requesting accredited ALS Training Institutions 2015 annual report within the next 30 days. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. The motion passed.

STATE EMS MEDICAL DIRECTOR’S REPORT - Dr. Olinger reminded everyone about the Medical Director’s conference this Friday.

STATE EMS DIRECTOR’S REPORT - Director Garvey thanked the Indiana Fire Chief’s Association for hosting the EMS Commission meeting and the Indiana Emergency Responder Conference. Director Garvey also announced the resignation of Mr. Michael Lockard from the EMS Commission and Mr. Lockard’s hiring to the IDHS staff. Director Garvey reminded everyone that if they had not completed their survey regarding the status of EMS and Fire in the state of Indiana to please do so and get it submitted. Director Garvey also announced the passing of Debbie Watson and member of the EMS community and the IDHS EMS staff. Director Garvey also discussed the need to discuss the states state of readiness for a mass casualty event. There will be some Mass casualty forums coming soon.
Training Director Brandon Wood announced that there is a state level exercise on September 11 thru September 16th. Director Wood announced that we have hired a new person to help with the LMS system and that a new Blood born pathogens and SIDS program will be released this week on the LMS system.

**CHAIRMAN’S REPORT AND DIRECTION** - Chairman Turpen encouraged everyone to look at the CARES database and to use the Stemi protocol from the Mission life line.

**NEXT MEETING**
City Of Fishers  
Fishers City Hall  
One Municipal Drive  
Fishers, IN 46038  
October 28, 2016 10:00am  
With an executive session at 9:00am

**ADJOURNMENT**
A motion was made by Commissioner Hamilton to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valentine. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:12pm.

Approved __________________________________________

G Lee Turpen, Chairman