

LCEMS POLICY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
September 4, 2013

Members Present:

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

Representing:

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

Absent:

Mayor Michael Seferian  
Mayor Michael Bell  
Chief Barry Cousino  
Chief Kevin Bernhard  
Mayor Richard Carr

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

Peter Ujvagi

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Chief Richard Monto

Attendees:

Pat Moomey  
Vicki Malinoski  
Brent Parquette  
Loren Boykin  
Matt Heyrman  
EMS Chief Martin Fuller  
Assistant Chief Mike Ramm  
Tony Parsaliti  
Chief Brian Byrd  
Lt. Kirk Keane  
Captain Mark Benadum  
Mike George  
Dr. Todd Brookens  
Chief Matt Mathias  
John Barnes  
Dr. Daniel Schweirn

LCEMS Dispatch Manager  
LCEMS Administrative Specialist  
QA/QI Specialist  
LCEMS Dispatcher  
EMA  
Whitehouse Fire – LS9  
Sylvania Twp. Fire  
Jerusalem Twp. Fire  
Toledo Fire  
Toledo Fire EMS Bureau  
Toledo Fire EMS Bureau  
Monclova Fire  
ProMedica  
Maumee Fire Dept.  
180<sup>th</sup> Air Guard Fire  
St. Vincent Mercy Hospital

**Call to Order**

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

## **Minute Approval**

The minutes from the August 7, 2013 meeting were distributed to review. Chief Kowalski made a motion to accept the minutes which was seconded by Chief McNutt. Minutes were accepted as printed.

## **Committee Reports:**

### **Medical Committee**

Chief Cousino not in attendance and no meeting to report.

### **Paramedic Committee**

Chief Kowalski reported this committee met August 12<sup>th</sup>. Brent reported on September's CE which is ACLS and it's an eight hour class. Two life squads will be re-evaluating the cooling collar, LS6 and 10. There was nothing to report on QA. It was reported on the drug shortages that Saline was running low, but the Annex stock piled some and Haldol is on back order. Dennis reported on the PowerLift system saying it was approved and purchased. There was discussion on the LUCAS and hospital purchasing them so the patient wouldn't have to be taken off and they could exchange, but there is the money issue. It was reported at the meeting there is a shortage of backboard straps at the hospital, but there is a supply at the Annex. The question was raised as to the availability of ePCR patient reports for the hospitals.. A discussion of ALS on scene and the first responder specializing a life squad. Dennis mentioned at the meeting the county is entering into the 2014 budget cycle and asked if there was any new equipment or other needs. Brent reported the King Vision is out to the first responders and discussion of vehicle specs and the idea of going from a bench seat to a jump seat. Next meeting is scheduled for September 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **CE Update**

Brent reported ACLS is this month with one more month left for CE. November and December has no CE.

### **EMS Billing**

Vicki reported August brought in \$351,938.36 and year to date \$2,844,676.38. Vicki reported we are down from last year by \$134,000.

### **2014 Draft Budget**

Provided was a draft EMS Budget for 2014. Dennis reported the significant items are the day car vehicle and the Advance Practice Paramedic. Dennis reported if anyone has any questions in the future, to contact him or Vicki.

Chief Kowalski asked when does the budget have to be submitted to the Commissioners for approval. Dennis reported tht the budget process usually runs into November and December.

Mayor Kuhn asked about the additional dispatcher positions. Dennis reported he presented this to the administrator the two new dispatcher positions. Dennis reported Pat is utilizing a program that lets you input the amount of work that is done to determine the number of people needed per shift.

Dr. Crawford asked if there was a descriptive information on the Advance Practice Paramedic. Brent reported there is data in other areas to look at. It is something that would have to be developed. This program would look at alternative destination, well patient checks, elderly fall victims and children.

Dr. Crawford asked if there was a geographic stand point. Brent reported no, not at this time.

Dr. Lindstrom said they can go with partnership with a hospital or insurance. Insurance companies try to target huge consumers but none of that is in place at this time.

### **Open Discussion**

Disaster Trailers – Dr. Lindstrom reported the Annex personnel are restocking the Disaster Trailers with narcotics and Versed. The Versed is in place of the Valium.

Hospital Bypass – Dr. Lindstrom reported Pat has been communicating with Hospital Council to put in the EMsystem a stroke diversion. This is for a hospital that cannot take a stroke patient because their CT is down or they do not have the thrombolytic drugs. It is structured for the future if facilities become a Stroke Center and adapt it like we do with STEMI patients.

Power Lift System – Brent reported the Power Lift System is in and the back up trucks will be the first to have it installed. Brent said he provided a link to the chiefs for the device training in case a crew has to use a back up life squad and they will know how to operate it. Dennis reported the system will be put in the life squads one or two a week.

Residents – Dr. Lindstrom reported he oriented new residents from UTMC last week to the street side of EMS.

### **Next Meeting and Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 a.m. The next scheduled meeting is October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8:30 a.m.