

State Emergency Medical Services Board

February 17, 2016

Minutes

Board Members Present: (all by phone): Donald L. DeVries, Jr., Esq., Chairman; Vic Broccolino, Vice-Chairman; Sally Showalter; Fred Cross; Sherry Adams; Kyrle Preis; Mary Alice Vanhoy.

Board Members Absent: Dany Westerband, M.D.; David Hexter, M.D.; Roland Berg; Dean E. Albert Reece, MD;

MIEMSS: Dr. Seaman; Ms. Gainer; Ms. Abramson; Ms. Oliveira; Dr. Bass (phone) Ms. Goff; Mr. Brown

OAG: Mr. Magee

Upon the motion of Ms. Adams, seconded by Mr. Broccolino, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn to closed session to discuss a procurement issue and related legal matters.

In Closed Session:

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In closed session the Board discussed the criteria for procuring a paper examination for a one time test for EMT certification for those EMT students who completed an EMT course between Oct 1, 2014 – Sept 30, 2015 and who either failed the National Registry, have not yet tested, or have not yet applied to test.

The Board returned to open session.

Mr. DeVries stated that in order to ease the transition to NREMT testing, the Board will continue to explore the potential to develop a one-time test for EMT certification for

those EMT students who completed an EMT course between Oct 1, 2014 – Sept 30, 2015 and who either failed the National Registry, have not yet tested, or have not yet applied to test. The Board will await word on whether is possible to accomplish this. Such a test will be at no expense to students.

To date MIEMSS has spent approximately \$120,000 for NREMT examinations and educational materials to assist students. MIEMSS expects to pay an additional \$30,000 on NREMT test preparation courses to prepare students for the NREMT examinations.

EMT Instructors are being required to take the NREMT computer adaptive examination so they will be familiar with the process. Which body will be responsible for the costs of that testing has yet to be decided.

The Board adjourned by acclamation.