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Examination Committee Meeting July 18, 2018 0930-1130 De Champlain Conference Room, Augusta Minutes

Members Present – Sally, Kelly, Joanne, Ben Members Absent - Rick, Jeremy, Cheri Staff – Don, Marc Stakeholders – Dr. Collamore

A. Call To Order

- a. Introductions -
- b. Minutes Kelly Ben, Unanimous
- c. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda Joanne reminded us that we had intended to put a placeholder for testing issues

B. State Update -

a. Staff Addition – Marc Minkler has joined the office as the EMS-C Coordinator and came to give the group a brief on what the program is looking to accomplish in the near future to establish this program as well as some of his background.

C. New Business

- a. Review NREMT Pass Rates
 - i. Don gave a review of the data and expressed his concerns
 - ii. Joanne gave some thoughts on the differences of students in college vs others, those who prepare
 - iii. Joanne now requires computer based testing as part of the program Is going to check on whether the final is comprehensive. Item analysis is being done.
 - iv. Ben is doing both computer based with a comprehensive final. Starting to do item analysis
- b. Discuss Concept of State set pass rates Please go back and think about pass rates and retention rates.

D. Old Business

- a. Committee Makeup What is needed for success?
 - i. Should we have a list of representation rather than seats?
 - ii. Recent grad EMT or EMR should we do this through a focus group.
 - iii. PSE evaluator -

- iv. Training Center -
- v. Psychometrician Contract position
- vi. Paramedic Program Director (portfolio experience) -
- vii. BLS Instructor –
- viii. Experienced BLS Provider -
- ix. AEMT Instructor
 - 1. Further work and discussion on this at future meetings.
- b. Exam Issues Question answers
- E. We need a mission statement for this group.
 - a. Recommendation: The exam committee is responsible for advising the Maine EMS Board and Maine EMS Office on best practices for evaluation of EMS provider competency. This amended version will be distributed to the group for consideration discussion and decision at the next meeting.
- F. Action Plan
 - a. NREMT Best performing TCs
 - b. Can Don contact other states to reach some of their programs.
 - c. In September we will develop question to ask in State TCs
- G. Next Meeting
 - a. Date and Time Sept 18
- H. Adjournment: 1145 Ben Kelly

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