

# 2022/01/07 Maine EMS Labor Committee

Monday, January 10, 2022 10:55 AM

**Meeting Date:** 1/7/2022 8:30 AM

**Location:** <https://mainestate.zoom.us/j/86103072954>

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## Invitation Message

### Participants

- [Oko, Jason A](#) (Meeting Organizer)
- [Stephen Smith](#) (Accepted in Outlook)
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- [brian.chamberlin](#) (Accepted in Outlook)
- [Mark Cotter](#)
- [Kellner, Joseph](#) (Accepted in Outlook)
- [jay](#)
- [Matthew Sholl](#)
- [Aiden Koplovsky](#)
- [Matthew Quinn](#)
- [Joe Brichetto](#)
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- [Brent J. Libby](#)
- [Davis, Darren W](#) (Tentative in Outlook)
- [Hurley, J Sam](#) (Accepted in Outlook)
- [Adams, Melissa F \(MDPS\)](#) (Accepted in Outlook)
- [Azevedo, Christopher](#) (Declined in Outlook)

## Notes

Labor Committee Meeting

January 7, 2022 08:30 – 10:00

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### MINUTES

1. Call to Order 08:32

2. Maine EMS Mission Statement

“The mission of Maine EMS is to promote and provide for a comprehensive and effective Emergency Medical Services system to ensure optimum patient care with standards for all providers. All members of this Committee should strive to promote the core values of excellence, support, collaboration, and integrity. In serving on this Committee, we commit to serve the respective providers, communities, and residents of the jurisdictions that we represent.”

3. Attendance

1. Members Present: Tim Beals, Joe Kellner, Jay Bradshaw, Aiden Koplovsky, Matt

Quinn, Joe Brichetto, Rick Petrie

2. Members Absent: Steve Smith, Brian Chamberlain, Dr. Matthew Sholl

3. Staff: Melissa Adams

4. Minutes: December 17, 2021

1. MOTION to accept as written with the addition of the attendance (Kellner, Koplovsky; no objections)

Note: Rick Petrie arrived 08:36

5. Public Comment: None

6. Modifications to the Agenda: None

7. Old Business

1. Labor Survey

1. Kellner presented a survey proposal with a flow chart representing a pathway for EMS workforce who have left EMS and for those who have stayed in EMS.
2. Darren will put the proposal into a survey format for the next meeting.

2. Maine EMS Staffing Coalition Report

1. Discussion about what additional information could be sought in this survey that we didn't capture in the multiple vaccination reporting surveys completed by services in November and December. It is the committee's understanding that Maine EMS has the data to answer the question posed by the Board as to how many clinicians left services due to the vaccine mandate. Kellner will bring this item back to the Board for clarification.

3. Re-entry Plan

1. Adams discussed the legislative requirement for a Board approved evaluation, subsequently defined in rules. Currently there is an NREMT re-entry pathway for certification of anyone who has previously been certified or held a state EMS license; this pathway requires both psychomotor and cognitive evaluation.
2. Discussion regarding waiver of the two-year requirements around testing for licensure, specifically for EMR and EMT levels. Beals and Adams will consult AAG Guay for legal advice on this.

Note: Kellner left the meeting at 10:00

4. Remaining Agenda Items will be Moved at the Next Meeting

8. Action Items and Next Steps

9. Next Meeting Date and Time

1. January 21, 2022 at 08:30

10. Adjourn at 10:02

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