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**Board of EMS Meeting
 August 3rd, 2022
 In-Person (Chamberlain Conference Room, 45 Commerce Drive; Augusta, Maine 04330)**

“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 board should strive to promote the core values of excellence, support, collaboration, and integrity. In serving on this Board, we commit to serve the respective providers, communities, and residents of the jurisdictions that we represent.”

Board Members Present:

Board Member	In Attendance	Late Arrival (if applicable)	Early Departure (if applicable)
Nate Allen			
Timothy Beals	x		
Bill Cyr	x		
Katelyn Damon			
Laura Downing	x		
Amy Drinkwater	x		
Rosie Davis			
Judy Gerrish	x		
Brandon Giberson	x		
Joseph Kellner	x		
Brent Libby	x		
John Martel	x		
Maria Russell	x		
Matthew Sholl	x		
Steve Smith	x		
Tiffany Tscherne	x		
Andrew Turcotte	x		
Christopher Whytock			
Kate Zimmerman	x		

Staff Present: Samantha Morgan AAG, Director Hurley, Jason Oko, Darren Davis, Jason Cooney, Melissa Adams, Chris Azevedo, Marc Minkler.

Guests: John Becknell, Megan McCabe, Joanne LeBrun, Dr. Tim Pieh, Dr. Michael Bohanske, Dwight Corning, Butch Russell.

- **Excellence**
- **Support**
- **Collaboration**
- **Integrity**
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Call To Order: 09:33

1. Introductions
2. Disclosure of any conflicts of interest:
 - a. Libby advised that he will recuse himself from investigations when the Board reviews the Andrews Application.
3. Modifications to the Agenda:

None.
4. Public Comments:

None.
5. Investigations:
 - a. Limited Delegation of Authority to Maine EMS Director to enter into Interim Consent Agreements with Individuals Facing Criminal Prosecution.

MOTION: To extend the delegation order for a period of three (3) years as written.
Made by: Kellner; Seconded by Giberson
In Favor (yes): Beals, Cyr, Downing, Drinkwater, Gerrish, Giberson, Kellner, Libby, Martel, Russell, Sholl, Smith, Tscherne, Turcotte.
No: 0
MOTION CARRIES
 - b. Limited Delegation by Authority to Maine EMS Director to Execute Consent Agreements.

MOTION: To extend the delegation order for a period of three (3) years as written.
Made by: Kellner; Seconded by Cyr
In Favor (yes): Beals, Cyr, Downing, Drinkwater, Gerrish, Giberson, Kellner, Libby, Martel, Russell, Sholl, Smith, Tscherne, Turcotte.
No:0
MOTION CARRIES
 - c. June 29, 2022 Investigations Committee Meetings Minutes.

MOTION: to accept the minutes as drafted.
Made by: Kellner; Seconded by Giberson
In Favor (yes): Beals, Cyr, Downing, Drinkwater, Gerrish, Giberson, Kellner, Libby, Martel, Russell, Sholl, Smith, Tscherne, Turcotte.
No: 0
MOTION CARRIES
 - d. July 28, 2022 Investigations Committee Meeting Minutes.

MOTION: to accept the minutes as drafted.
Made by: Drinkwater; Seconded by Gerish
Abstained: Giberson, Kellner
In Favor (yes): Beals, Cyr, Downing, Drinkwater, Gerrish, Libby, Martel, Russell, Sholl, Smith, Tscherne, Turcotte.

No:0

MOTION CARRIES

- e. Andrews Application, Libby recused himself.

Summary: The applicant disclosed on an application for initial licensure at the EMT level a criminal conviction for class B burglary and Class B Theft by Unauthorized Taking or Transfer.

MOTION: to accept the committee's recommendation to issue the license.

Made by: Beals; Seconded by Smith

In Favor (yes): Tscherne, Russell, Turcotte, Martel, Giberson, Beals, Smith, Gerrish, Drinkwater, Downing, Cyr, Kellner

Opposed: Kindelan

MOTION CARRIES

- f. Salatino Application

Summary: Applicant disclosed on an application for initial licensure at the EMT level a criminal conviction for Class E Shooting of a Domestic Animal and Class D Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol.

MOTION: to accept the committee's recommendation to issue the license.

Made by: Kellner, Seconded by Kindelan

In Favor (yes): Beals, Cyr, Downing, Drinkwater, Gerrish, Giberson, Kellner, Libby, Martel, Russell, Sholl, Smith, Tscherne, Turcotte.

No: 0

MOTION CARRIES

- g. Docket 22-239

Summary: The licensee failed to demonstrate sufficient continuing education hours to renew at their license level during the audit process after attesting to having met all the requirements on their renewal application.

MOTION: to accept the committee's recommendation to resolve the case by issuing a consent agreement with a warning and terms of probation for up to thirty (30) days, citing violation of 32 M.R.S. § 90-A.5.F. Regarding Maine EMS Rules Chapter 11 §1(50) and 32 M.R.S §90. A.5.H regarding Maine EMS Rules Chapter 5 §6.5. requiring the licensee to complete the deficient education completed during the current license cycle, which is sued to meet the deficient requirements for the previous license cycle, will not be applicable toward renewal of the current license.

Made by: Giberson; Seconded by Russel

In Favor (yes): Beals, Cyr, Downing, Drinkwater, Gerrish, Giberson, Kellner, Libby, Martel, Russell, Sholl, Smith, Tscherne, Turcotte.

No: 0

MOTION CARRIES

- h. Docket 22-243

Kindelan recused himself.

Summary: The licensee failed to demonstrate sufficient continuing education hours required to renew at their license level during the audit process after attesting to having met all the requirements on their renewal application.

MOTION: to accept the committee's recommendation to resolve the case by issuing a letter of guidance citing the importance of accurately maintaining ones continuing education record to ensure compliance with Maine EMS Rules, Chapter 5§ 6.5. and reminding the licensee that the education completed during the current license cycle, which is used to meet the deficient requirements for the previous license cycle, will not be applicable toward the renewal of the current license. This letter of guidance will be kept on file for two (2) licensing cycles.

Made by: Kellner; Seconded by Cyr

In Favor (yes): Beals, Cyr, Downing, Drinkwater, Gerrish, Giberson, Kellner, Libby, Martel, Russell, Sholl, Smith, Tscherne, Turcotte.

No:0

MOTION CARRIES

- i. Docket 20-118
Smith recused himself.
Summary: The board voted to resolve this case with a consent agreement requiring a quality assurance review of 100% of all patient care provided by the licensee. Pursuant to the agreement, the reviewer submitted quarterly reports to the office and a final report; the Board may rely on this report to determine whether the quality assurance review should continue.
MOTION: to accept the recommendation of the QA reviewer and close the case acknowledging that all terms of the consent agreement have been met.
Made By: Cyr; seconded by Tscherne.
In Favor (yes): Beals, Cyr, Downing, Drinkwater, Gerrish, Giberson, Kellner, Libby, Martel, Russell, Sholl, Smith, Tscherne, Turcotte.
No:0
MOTION CARRIES
6. New Business
 - a. Board Bylaws
 7. Other
 - a. Items for next meeting agenda
 - b. Next meeting date September 7, 2022 @ 09:30 via. Zoom
 8. Strategic Planning: Began at 10:05 until the conclusion of the meeting.