

STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY MAINE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES 152 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333



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Examination Committee Tuesday 20 Sep 2022 0930-1130

Online via ZOOM meeting platform due to COVID-19 Meeting address: https://mainestate.zoom.us/j/460163384

MEETING NOTES ONLY - NO QUORUM PRESENT

Members Present: Sally Taylor, Jeremy Damren, Amy Drinkwater, David Mejia, **Members Absent:** Ben Zetterman, Joanne Lebrun, Rick Petrie, Cheri Volta

Staff: Chris Azevedo

Stakeholders: Don sheets, Michel Mullin, Eric Wellman

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

I. Call to Order

- a. Introductions and roll call.
- b. Sally Taylor does introductions and takes roll. At this time, there is no quorum present. However, the meeting will proceed for purposes of putting out information only. Any action requiring a motion for approval will be tabled for October's meeting.

II. Approval of Minutes

- a. Approval of July 2022 minutes.
- b. August 2022 meeting was cancelled. No August minutes for approval.
- c. There is no quorum present for this meeting. Therefore, approval of meeting minutes is tabled for October's meeting.

III. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

a. None

IV. State Update

a. Chris Azevedo

- i. New office administrator Emily Burgess has started in her position as the new Office Associate II, replacing Jessica Ricciardelli. She will be coordinating receipt and payment for PSE requests. However, Chris Azevedo will still be the point of contact for distributing PSE scenarios and stations for PSE Administrators, and processing and verification of PSE results.
- ii. Discussion of several newly proposed, grant-funded positions for the Maine EMS office.

iii. NREMT

- 1. Update on NREMT Board decision on Paramedic program candidate eligibility for NREMT certification
 - a. Discussion of decision to maintain current requirement for paramedic program accreditation. This was a reversal of the Board decision back in June. Link to announcement placed into chat: https://www.nremt.org/News/National-Registry-Board-of-Directors-Rescinds-Expa

2. ALS Re-design

- **a.** The NREMT will sunset PSEs for AEMT and Paramedic on PSE on 30 Jun 2025. A link to the NREMT announcement document is placed in the chat:
 - i. https://www.nremt.org/Document/ALS-Redesign
- iv. EMT Skills portfolio implementation update
 - Maine EMS has received packages from SMCC and EMCC. Reminder that Training Centers may not use portfolios for classes without PSEs until you have sent your package to Maine EMS, you have received approval.
- b. No further updates from the office.

V. Old Business

a. None

VI. New Business

- a. Open "At-Large" committee position
 - i. Sally Taylor
 - Kelly Roderick has resigned from her "At-Large Representative" position on the Exam Committee. If you are aware of anyone interested, please notify Sally Taylor and Chris Azevedo.
 - 2. Sally Taylor discusses the application and interview process for the position.
 - 3. The process will be put out by the Maine EMS office (time for advertising, application period, etc.), candidates will be interviewed, and vote will be taken by the committee members.
 - 4. Sally Taylor asks that the information for the application process be provided for distribution for the next committee meeting.

VII. Next Meeting

a. Date and Time: 18 Oct 2022

VIII. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 0950 hrs.