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INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING Thursday, August 24, 2023; 09:00 – 12:00 45 Commerce Dr. Gambling Control Board Room, Augusta, ME 04333 ZOOM: <u>https://maine-ems-gov.zoom.us/j/91542570561</u> One tap mobile: +13017158592, 91542570561# US

MINUTES

- I. Called to order at 09:00 Acting Chair Giberson read the mission statement.
- II. Attendance
 Committee Members Present: Laura Downing, Judy Gerrish, Dr. Brandon Giberson, Andrew Turcotte, *Amy Drinkwater
 Committee Members Absent: Tim Beals (excused), Steve Smith (excused)
 Maine EMS Staff: Jason Cooney, Melissa Adams, AAG Katie Johnson
 Guests: Cameron Ouellette, Michael Gatti, Matthew Tavares, Park Swan
- III. Public Comment: None
- IV. Modification to Agenda: None
- V. Investigations

A. 23-303 Gatti Application; Informal Review, Applicant Present

Summary: The reciprocity applicant failed to disclose disciplinary action for patient care violations taken against their EMS license in another state.

MOTION to issue the license with a letter of guidance citing the importance of adherence to Maine EMS Protocols and Chapter 11 §1(1) and (29), to be kept on file for two license cycles. (Turcotte, seconded by Gerrish) In Favor: Giberson, Gerrish, Downing, Turcotte Opposed: None Abstained/Recused: None

PASSED

*Drinkwater joined the meeting

B. Case Review #22-250

Summary: It is alleged that while treating and transporting a patient, that the EMS clinician did not provide emergency medical treatment to the applicable standard of care.

MOTION to recommend that the Board dismiss the case finding no malfeasance or intent to harm, and direct staff to refer the case to the service level medical director for quality assurance review. (Turcotte, second by Downing) In Favor: Giberson, Gerrish, Downing, Turcotte, Drinkwater Opposed: None Abstained/Recused: None

PASSED

C. Case Review #22-251

Judy Gerrish disclosed a familiarity with the licensee as their employer approximately 11 years ago, she does not have any bias.

Summary: It is alleged that while treating and transporting a patient, that the EMS clinician did not provide emergency medical treatment to the applicable standard of care.

MOTION to recommend that the Board dismiss the case finding no malfeasance or intent to harm, and direct staff to refer the case to the service level medical director for quality assurance review. (Giberson, seconded by Turcotte) In Favor: Giberson, Gerrish, Drinkwater, Downing, Turcotte Opposed: None Abstained/Recused: None

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- VI. Old Business
- VII. New Business
- VIII. Adjourned at 09:24 Next Meeting: Thursday, September 28, 2023, 09:00