

20240314- Community-Paramedicine-Minutes

Thursday, March 14, 2024
09:30 AM



Meeting Subject: CP Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: 3/14/2024 at 9:30 am

Location: Zoom

<https://mainestate.zoom.us/j/82453959343?pwd=eThoUTlxR3E5bisraXhqZ1pDL1ZWdz09>

“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 clinicians. 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 clinicians, communities, and residents of the jurisdictions that we represent.”

- 1) Call To Order
 - a) Dr. Lowry called the meeting to order at 9:31 am.
- 2) Mission Statement
 - a) Dr. Lowry read the mission statement.
- 3) Attendance
- 4) Modifications to the agenda
 - a) None
- 5) Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - a) January 11, 2024
 - i) Motion to approve minutes by Dennis, seconded by Ellen. Passed unanimously.
 - b) February 8, 2024
 - i) Motion to approve minutes by Dennis, seconded by Ellen. Passed unanimously.
 - c) February 22, 2024 – Review at the April Meeting
- 6) Office update – Soliana
 - a) RFP

- i) Soliana updated on the progress forward in developing education standards.
 - b) Save the date: Conference – June 11-12th
 - i) The office will be hosting a conference in Augusta focused on Community Paramedicine.
- 7) Old Business
 - a) Scopes of Practice – Update
 - i) Dr. Lowry provided an update that the scopes have been reviewed by the Board and will be looked at by the Rules Committee.
 - b) Concept rules – Rules committee attendance
 - i) Committee discussed potential attendance to the upcoming rules committee meetings.
 - c) Bison Six Emergency Group
 - i) Joe Palfini (CEO of Bison Six Emergency Group) provided an update on their process. The team is currently completing interviews with folks providing CP services and has a live survey for all other agencies.
 - d) Pediatrics
 - i) Dennis discussed that United has done some asthma prevention work with pediatric patients.
 - ii) Karen discussed that the data shows an increase in the 0-18 range of CP patients within the data set Cutler is reviewing.
 - iii) Ellen discussed potentially reaching out to primary care groups to identify needs.
 - iv) Committee discussed potentially reviewing items that are time consuming and high need for provider groups. They also identified the importance of assessing community needs.
 - (1) Committee discussed doing this through a survey and working over the next meeting or two to identify survey questions that can then go out to PCP groups.
 - v) Committee also discussed potentially looping in the EMSC committee as this work progresses.
 - e) Board Directive
 - i) Discussed the memo has gone to the board and committee wants to keep this as a standing item.
 - f) Committee makeup
 - i) Open positions – Final interviews at 10:30 am

- (1) Committee motioned to enter executive session pursuant to Title 1 §405(6)(A) for the purposes of discussion and consideration of the appointment of an individual to the community paramedicine committee, citing that public discussion could be reasonably expected to cause damage to the individual's reputation or violation of the individual's right to privacy.
- (2) Motion by Dennis and second by Charlie to appoint Daniel Svenson to the at-large representative motion.
 - (a) Motion passes: One abstain by Bridget Rauscher, unanimous approval otherwise.
- (3) Motion by Dennis and Second by Charlie to appoint Raymond Howard to the CP Medical director position.
 - (a) Motion Passes unanimously
- (4) Motion from Charlie and Second by Dennis to appoint Joshua Pobrislo to the Non-Municipal CP Program position.
 - (a) Motion passes: One abstain from Cory Morse, unanimous approval otherwise.

8) New Business

- a) None

9) Action Items for Next Meeting

- a) Soliana will send a Doodle Poll for an off-cycle meeting in April/May.

10) Next Meeting

- a) April 11, 2024 at 9:30 am
- a) Motion to adjourn at

Attendance

Member	Position	Present Y/N
Vacant	Medical Direction and Practices Board Member	N/A
Bruce Lowry, MD	Community Paramedicine Program Medical Director	Y
Bridget Rauscher	Municipal EMS Community Paramedicine Program	Y
Vacant	Non-Municipal Community Paramedicine Program	N/A
Dennis Russell	EMS Training Center	Y
Cory Morse	Hospital Based EMS Community Paramedicine Program	Y
Karen Pearson	College / University	Y
Charlie Mock	At-large Community Paramedicine Clinician	Y

Walter Reed	At-large Community Paramedicine Clinician	Y
Ellen McFarland	At-large	Y
Vacant	At-large	N/A
Nicole Burke	Home Health	N
Shauna McElrath, DO	Hospice/ Palliative Care	N
Jonnathan Busko, MD	Hospital	Y-Late