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Maine EMS Education Committee Meeting

Minutes Wednesday May 13, 2015 0930-1130 DeChamplain

I. Call to Order 0931

Members present: Eric Wellman, Christopher Pare, Leah Mitchell, Joe Moore, Paul Froman, Carol Pillsbury, Dennis Russell, John Brady, and Kevin Curry

Members Absent: Dan Batsie, Joanne Lebrun, Kevin Gurney, Brian Chamberlin

MEMS Staff: Don Sheets

Guests: Minkler,

- II. Introductions/Public Comments No public comment
- III. Additions to Agenda: None
- IV. Acceptance of Minutes: Motion to approve by Carol Pillsbury seconded by Joe Moore, Unanimous

V. Staff Report -

- a. Legislative The bills Maine EMS put in have all gone through committee as ought to pass and are on the floor of the legislature for their readings.
 - i. Community paramedicine Remove the cap on pilot programs and leave the authority to approve pilot programs with the Board of EMS
 - ii. Statue Changes this was primarily updates to do things such as remove LAA from the text.
 - iii. MDPB there is an addition of 3 positions Assistant State Medical Director, At large, Pharmacist or Toxicologist.
- b. Protocol discussion about the numbers of providers who have currently completed the online program and an estimate of those who have completed in person training.

VI. Unfinished Business

- a. Instructor series
 - i. Professionalism and Ethics (Joanne) Not present for report
 - ii. Instructor Updates (Dan) Not present for report
- b. Protocol Course (Kevin Gurney) Not present for report
- c. CEH
 - i. Maine 2016 forward There was a lot of discussion about the NCCP and how it will impact the state in a positive way.
 - 1. Joe Moore, Leah motion to accept
 - 2. Discussion about moving Skills Verification to 2016 to avoid a gap in skills competency.
 - 3. Joe and Leah accept amendment unanimous approval.

VII. New Business:

- a. Work Plan / Ideas This is a placeholder for future ideas.
- b. Committee process draft for drafting proposals to the Board

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- i. After the process and decision was made about the protocols the group voiced that they wanted to draft a policy for the Education Committee on providing written proposals to the Board and that any dissenting letter also is circulated to the full group so there could be adequate opportunity to address these concerns. Don will bring back a draft for next month.
- c. Leah brought up a discussion on the IC rules and specifically the concept of removing the 3 years of experience Paul expressed concern that a new provider could then teach a paramedic program. Joe Moore expressed the same concern. Those who work for training centers voiced that they were responsible for the quality of an instructor regardless of experience and should be left to evaluate individual candidates who have met the initial education requirements to be an IC.
 - i. Leah motioned to remove 3 years of experience for initial IC licensure John Brady seconded 6 for 2 against

VIII. Adjournment: 1107

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