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Maine EMS Education Committee Meeting

Minutes

Wednesday

September 9, 2015

0930-1130

DeChamplain

**I. Call to Order 0930**

*Members present:* Wellman, Froman, Batsie, Pare, Moore, Brady, Russell, Gurney, Curry, Lebrun, Pillsbury,

*Members Absent:*

*MEMS Staff:*

*Guests:* Minkler

**II. Introductions/Public Comments:** No Comments

**III. Additions to Agenda:**

**IV. Acceptance of Minutes:** Kevin G, Kevin C, unanimous. Joanne abstained as she was absent

**V. Staff Report –**

- a. **Shaun St Germain has joined our office as the director. Shaun comes from an EMS background in southern Maine as a Paramedic and has most recently been working as the clinical coordinator and program director of a paramedic program in Maryland.**
- b. **Katie Boynton has joined us as our Licensing Assistant. Katie has experience in state work and is currently working on a master’s degree.**
- c. **Jason Oko has come to us as our new Licensing Agent from Mayo where he worked as a Paramedic. He is currently working with Alan to learn the ropes and will be out doing inspections over the next month and a half.**
- d. **Protocols are being worked on and updates will be forthcoming.**

VI. November meeting will be held at the Samoset Resort during the APEMS conference. Time and Location will be determined by Dan Batsie and he will notify the group.

VII. October Don will not be present as he will be travelling to the NASEMSO conference in Kentucky. The group is interested in meeting and discussing business. Don will ensure that a member of staff is present for any needs and minutes at the meeting.

**VIII. Unfinished Business**

- a. Instructor series
  - i. Professionalism and Ethics (Joanne) – There has not been any additional work but Joanne is interested in scheduling a time after the protocol roll out is effectively over.
  - ii. Instructor Updates (Dan) – No new update
- b. Protocol Course (Kevin Gurney) – No new update
- c. CEH Rules – The group was interested in keeping the current 2016 plan as the contingency for if the Board chooses to remove the two year license cycle. There was a lot of discussion and the

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general consensus was that it would be too quick of a turn around to come up with a well thought out plan prior to the 2016 change with other rules changes currently being proposed.

- d. Committee written proposal draft policy – The group is still interested in drafting a policy for clarity about when and how written proposals make it to the board.
- e. IC Requirements – The EMS Board was concerned about not having a method to assess experience in the face of no other validated metric. They were interested if the Education Committee had other recommendations if this experience requirement was removed. The group did not feel that there was a way to validate this process but is interested in looking back at this in the future.

**IX. New Business:**

- a. Work Plan / Ideas – This is a placeholder for future ideas.
- b. Phase 2 Protocol Education – The schedule should be disseminated soon.
- c. Exam Proposal – lots of discussion about what we test how we test. Eric Don and Paul wanted more time to digest this and have an opportunity to process concerns. There was discussion about requiring both assessments vs one. The group came to a consensus to allow folks more time to review the materials and discuss this at the next meeting.

**X. Adjournment: adjourned 1100 Russell**