

Maine EMS Exam Committee Meeting

Tuesday April 30, 2013

De Champlain Conference Room, Augusta

Minutes

Present: Gary Utgard, Chair, Joanne LeBrun, Jeremy Damren, Sally Taylor, Scott Cook

Staff: Drexell White

Guests: Kelly Roderick, Rick Petrie, Steve Corbin

- **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:33 a.m.

Drexell reviewed the upcoming Rules changes scheduled to take effect on May 1, 2013. He also reported that the State of Massachusetts will convert to National Registry of EMT (NREMT) testing as of July 2013.

Rick Petrie indicated that he would be submitting a letter to become the Mid Coast representative to the Exam Committee and discussed having Kelly Roderick fill one of the “At-Large” positions.

A. Assign Timekeeper – Gary Utgard

B. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

- **Minutes – November 27, 2012 Meeting Minutes - review for acceptance**

The minutes of the November 27, 2012, meeting, were reviewed.

Motion: To accept the minutes of the November 27, 2012, meeting (LeBrun; second by Taylor - carries)

- **Old Business**

A. Review of EMR & EMT Process Using NREMT

Members reviewed pass/fail statistics for EMR&EMT psychomotor exams conducted since the beginning of CY 2013 as well as pass/fail statistics for cognitive exams in 2012.

The data collected indicated psychomotor pass rates for the following psychomotor exam attempts, based upon 123 candidates:

- 1A – 27.54%
- 1R1 – 60.38%
- 1R2 – 86.96%
- 2A – 27.27%
- 2R1 – 44.44%
- 2R2 – 100%

The data do not provide information on how many candidates complete a course vs. how many actually participate in licensure testing, nor does it indicate how many candidates drop out of testing after failing the first attempt at the psychomotor exam.

Discussion ensued about pass/fail rates and strategies for helping to ensure exam and examiner consistency. One idea brought forth was to develop a compendium of exam issues identified in Maine Practical Skills Evaluations as a reference to Exam Coordinators and Exam Administrators. Jeremy Damren volunteered to draft the document for the next meeting.

4. New Business - No

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday June 25, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. at Maine EMS in Augusta.

6. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Drexell White