

Summary Minutes

Meeting of the **Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board**

10:00 a.m., June 29, 2011
2829 University Avenue SE
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Members Present

Kelly Spratt, Chair
Jennifer Deschaine
Kathleen Haney
Michael Jordan
Pat Lee
Kevin Miller
Gary Pearson
Paul Satterlee, M.D.
Mark Schoenbaum
Matt Simpson
Marlys Tanner
Mari Thomas, M.D.

Members Absent

Brenda Brown
Lisa Consie
Michael Gormley
Paula Fink Kocken, M.D.
Sen. Gary Kubly
Rep. Duane Quam
Jill Ryan Schultz

Guests

Staff

Pam Biladeau, Executive Director
Melody Nagy
Robert Norlen
Rose Olson

Karen Andrews (AGO)

I. Call to Order

Mr. Spratt called the meeting to order.

II. Approval of Agenda

Dr. Satterlee moved approval of the agenda. Ms. Tanner seconded. Motion carried.

III. Closed Session

Mr. Spratt announced that the meeting will be going into closed session. Ms. Andrews presented information on the disciplinary cases.

Dr. Satterlee moved to accept the Stipulation and Consent Order recommended by the Complaint Review Panel. Mr. Pearson seconded. Motion carried

Mr. Schoenbaum moved approval of the Stipulation and Consent Order for the second case discussed. Mr. Lee seconded. Motion carried. Dr. Satterlee, Mr. Miller, and Mr. Simpson abstained.

Ms. Deschaine joined the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

Mr. Spratt opened the meeting again.

IV. State Shutdown Discussion

Mr. Spratt said that this is a sensitive issue and staff will be affected by this. The Governor's office has a process for releasing communications. The EMSRB is limited in their communications and may only send out approved information.

Ms. Biladeau thanked staff for their efforts during this uncertainty and the added burden of shutdown planning. Ms. Biladeau said that the EMSRB services have not been considered a critical at this time. Mr. Schoenbaum said that the judge's order will be published today. Ms. Biladeau said that the HLB Executive Directors will be meeting today at 1 p.m. to continue contingency planning discussions.

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Mr. Miller said that the State duty officer will be available in case of emergency. Mr. Miller asked what the process is in case of a large scale emergency. The normal response is to call the duty officer. Ms. Biladeau said that we have submitted information to the duty officer. Ms. Biladeau said that we will receive information on incidents but we cannot respond to the SEOC without authorization. Mr. Norlen said we can relay information to the MAC without delay.

Mr. Lee asked if MNTRAC will be available. Mr. Schoenbaum said that he would find out and send an email to all Board members.

Mr. Simpson asked about ambulance service licensing if there is an extended shutdown. Ms. Biladeau said that she submitted information about renewals to the state contingency response team who will forward it to the courts for a determination about whether or not this is a critical service. The usual timeline is to send renewal information to ambulance services by July 15. This may affect metro ambulance services. Statutorily they cannot respond or bill Medicare with an expired license.

Ms. Biladeau said that information should be held and input into MNSTAR when the shutdown is over.

Mr. Spratt said that if there is anything that the Board can do -- we stand ready.

Mr. Norlen said that there is a perception that staff is on vacation. This is a layoff and may cause considerable hardship.

Mr. Spratt complimented Ms. Biladeau for her communication efforts. This is a very challenging time for us all.

Mr. Spratt said that we will be holding Board planning sessions in the future.

Mr. Lee said that he also wanted to thank Ms. Biladeau (she attended a recent NE regional board meeting) and commented that the regions are very happy about the communications with the EMSRB.

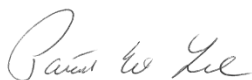
V. Next Meeting

Mr. Spratt announced that the July 21 Board meeting is cancelled.

VI. Adjourn

Mr. Miller moved to adjourn. Mr. Pearson seconded. Motion carried.

Reviewed and Approved by:



8/24/11

Pat Lee, Secretary

Date

Kelly Spratt, Chair

Date