State EMS Advisory Board Executive Committee Meeting February 2, 2017 11:00 a.m.

Members Present	Members Absent	Staff	Others
Gary P. Critzer, Chair		Warren Short	Jeff Michael
Central Shenandoah EMS Council			Rockingham
Genemarie McGee, Vice-Chair		Michael D. Berg	Paul Sharpe
Tidewater EMS Council			Henrico Doctor's Hospital - Forest
Bruce W. Edwards		Cam Crittenden	Luis-Pedro Gonzalez
Board of Health – EMS Representative			HRSA
David Hoback		George Lindbeck	Chad Blosser
Virginia Fire Chiefs Association			Central Shenandoah EMS Council
Marilyn McLeod, M.D.		Gary R. Brown	Jose Salazar
Blue Ridge EMS Council			Loudoun County Fire & Rescue
Christopher L. Parker		Scott Winston	Michel Aboutanos, M.D.
Virginia Emergency Nurses Association / Virginia			American College of Surgeons
Nurses Association			
Ronald Passmore		Irene M. Hamilton	
Southwest Virginia EMS Council			

Topic / Subject	Discussion	Recommendations, Action/Follow-up;	
		Responsible Person	
Welcome and Introductions	Mr. Critzer, the Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.		
Approval of the agenda	The committee moved to approve the agenda for the meeting as submitted.		
Approval of the minutes	The committee moved to approve the minutes from the August 4, 2016 meeting		
	as submitted.		
National Registry Update Mr. Critzer asked Jose Salazar, an EMS Advisory Board member, who is also on the National Registry Board of Directors, to give the group an update on some			
	 items of concern to OEMS in regards to the National Registry. Background Checks and DUI's – National Registry addressed this issue at their November 2016 meeting. Single DUI's will no longer be an issue. 		
	 National Registry will accept the policies already in place in states, like Virginia. States that do not have their own DUI policy will adhere to the 		

	policies of the National Registry.	
	Mr. Critzer asked Mike Berg and/or Jose Salazar how close the National Registry's criminal background checks mirrors Virginia's policy. Mr. Berg said that he has not compared the two policies side by side, as yet.	 Mr. Critzer said he would like to see a policy comparison between the two groups.
	 Mr. Salazar said that a big issue has been when the National Registry makes changes to their guidelines and states are not notified in a timely manner. The National Registry understands this issue and will work to give states more notice of impending changes. Mr. Salazar said that his goal is to make sure that there is good communication between the National Registry and Virginia. Mr. Critzer stated that at the Education Coordinator Update at EMS Symposium it was announced that Virginia will accept 100 percent of CE being done online and that the National Registry has said that they will accept Virginia's providers CE even if 100 percent is done online, even though the National Registry's standards say otherwise. Mr. Berg brought up the fact that in background checks it has come to his attention that several providers have numerous DUI's. He is concerned that the National Registry might make the guidelines more restrictive than it is currently. 	 Mr. Salazar said he would look into doing a comparison. Mr. Short said that Debbie Akers will be sending correspondence to all Educators informing them of this change. Mr. Critzer asked Mr. Salazar to give another update the EMS Advisory Board at their May 2017 meeting. Mr. Critzer asked Mike Berg to follow up with the National Registry regarding any impending guideline changes in regards to
		multiple DUIs and reporting back to the Executive Committee and letting them know if there are issues that Virginia needs to address.
ACS Task Force Update	 Mr. Critzer informed the Executive Committee that EMS is on the agenda for the March 16, 2017 Board of Health meeting to provide an update on the status of the Trauma System Plan Workgroups. Mr. Critzer plans to attend the meeting and will give the Board of Health an update on the 	 The Board of Health meeting is scheduled on March 16 at the Perimeter Center. The meeting starts at 9 a.m. The EMS

	 overall work of the State EMS Advisory Board, why the ACS Task Force was established and highlight the inclusion of the Trauma committee and the entire EMS system in the vetting of the Task Force work. Dr. Michel Aboutanos gave a presentation and update on the work of the ACS Task Force to date. Dr. Aboutanos emphasized that this is not the final work but just an update on the progress to date. 	presentation will be conducted at lunchtime.
EMS Training Funds Update	 Mr. Harrell reported that OEMS conducted a special-initiative RSAF grant as a stop-gap measure for retroactive funding. Long-term funding will be provided by OEMS working with the VDH Office of Health Equity to offer scholarships to students for initial education programs. Auxiliary and CE Programs will be going through a contract with the Regional EMS Councils. They hope to have both of these programs up and running by the beginning of the next fiscal year on July1, 2017. Members of the Executive Committee discussed some of their concerns in regards with possible issues that could arise with the new programs. OEMS plans to begin advertising the new programs in the beginning of April with the first applications being ready by late May or early June. 	
EMT-I Update	 Mr. Critzer reminded the group that tonight (Thursday, February 2) is the first of a series of Town Hall meetings. The meeting is at 7 p.m. The State EMS Advisory Board will be taking the lead on the meetings and OEMS staff will be available to answer any questions. Other Town Hall meetings have been scheduled February 23, 2017 – 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. in Virginia Beach at the Virginia Fire Chiefs Association Rescue Conference March 14, 2017 – 10 a.m. – 12:00 noon at the Manassas Volunteer Fire Company 9322 Centreville Road, Manassas, VA March 21, 2017 – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the Rappahannock Community College, 52 Campus Drive, Warsaw, VA 22572 March 31, 2017 – 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Holiday Inn – Tanglewood in Roanoke, VA in conjunction with the VAVRS Spring Board of Governors Meeting. Two other Town Hall meetings will be scheduled, one in 	

	Abingdon, Virginia and the other in Harrisonburg, Virginia. Those dates and times have not yet been announced. The meetings will be recorded. Mr. Critzer said that there was a meeting held a couple of weeks ago at the request of the Virginia Fire Chiefs Association to talk about some of
	their concerns with the future EMT-I in the Commonwealth. The meeting was attended by Gary Critzer, Gary Brown, Scott Winston, and Debbie Akers from OEMS; and Chief Hoback, Chief Dent, Chief Layman, and Chris Eudailey from the Fire Chiefs Association. The Fire Chiefs expressed interest in maintaining some level of
	 advanced life support between EMT and Paramedic. One of the options suggested by the Fire Chiefs was having the ability to modify the Scope of Practice to allow a cardiac component for EMT Advanced and make it a local option. It
	would not be a state certified, endorsed program. This option will have to be discussed by the Medical Direction Committee.
Regulation Update	 Mr. Berg reported that the Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (NOIRA) has been submitted to VDH Administration for their approval to start the regulatory process to conduct a comprehensive review of the existing EMS regulations (12VAC5-31). OEMS was informed that they need to include EMS in 15 VDH-sponsored vaccine administration clinics in the upcoming year.
Legislative Update	 Mr. Brown referred the group to the Quarterly Report for information on the proposed budget and interagency transfers. There is a budget amendment regarding the Trauma Fund which will require the Department of Health to analyze the impact of policy changes implemented or under consideration in 2017 and collaborate with the Department of Medical Assistance Services on strategies to match state resources with federal funds to enhance or preserve critical support to Virginia's trauma services. There is also a budget amendment that eliminates language in the budget requiring that \$400,000 in nongeneral funds from the Rescue Squad Assistance Fund (RSAF) be set aside for the purchase of 12-lead EKG devices.
	OEMS will be assigned the bill directing the Virginia Dept. of Health to the

	study Air Medevac Services in Virginia (HB1728).	
Board of Health Appointment	 Mr. Critzer said he has only had two individuals interested in filling the EMS seat on the Board of Health when Bruce Edwards's term expires on June 30. He asked for a third name, as well. Gary Samuels, former member of the State EMS Advisory Board Gary Critzer Marilyn McLeod These names will be brought before the entire board at the State EMS Advisory Board meeting on Friday, Feb. 3 for a vote. The State EMS Advisory Board will select one of the three as their recommendation to be sent to the Secretary of Commonwealth. A motion was made and properly seconded to submit those three names to the State EMS Advisory Board on Friday at their meeting. 	MOTION: The Executive Committee moves to submit the names of Gary Samuels, Gary Critzer, and Marilyn McLeod to the State EMS Advisory Board as their recommendations to send forth for the EMS seat on the Board of Health. VOTE: YEAS = 7; NAYS = 0; ABSTENTIONS = 0 THE MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
VAVRS Financial Report	 Mr. Critzer asked Adam Harrell if he could provide the committee with the VAVRS Financial Report that should be given to the EMS Advisory Board annually. Mr. Harrell reported that they do not have the final report from VAVRS, but he knows they are working on the report. Mr. Harrell will remind VAVRS that the report is due to the State EMS Advisory Board. 	Mr. Critzer asked Mr. Harrell if he could get the report so that it can be presented to the Board at their May 2017 meeting.
Committee Work/Actions	 Mr. Critzer said he has received correspondence from Training and Certification Committee stating that they want to change their Bylaws to allow multiyear appointments to their committee. Mr. Passmore explained that the committee is completely reseated every year. This makes it hard for the committee to complete work before a new committee is seated. Mr. Critzer suggests reviewing that section of the Bylaws so it can possibly be revised. Medevac Committee Membership Mr. Critzer said that the Medevac Committee has submitted proposed changes to the membership for approval by the Executive Committee (see Attachment A). Mr. Critzer opened the floor for discussion and, hearing none asked for a 	Mr. Critzer asked Bruce Edwards to review the Bylaws section. MOTION: The Executive Committee moves to accept the Medevac Committees

	motion to approve the Medevac Committee composition.	composition as presented.
	Dr. McLeod made a motion to approve the composition and it was seconded by Mr. Critzer. Mr. Critzer called for the vote.	
Open Discussion from the Floor	None.	
Public Comment	• None	
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.	

<u>ATTACHMENT A</u> <u>State Medevac Committee Representation 2017 - Proposed</u>

	Stakeholder Group	Member Name	Email Address
1	Committee Chair - Advisory Board Member (Virginia Hospital and Healthcare Association)	Anita Perry	Anita.Perry@wellmont.org
2	Member At Large/Vice Chair - Advisory Board Member (Consumer)	Julia Marsden	julia.marsden@verizon.net
3	Non-trauma Designated Hospital – Augusta Health	Donna Hurst	DHurst@AugustaHealth.com
4	Level III Designated Trauma Center - Johnston Willis Hospital	Kate Challis	Katherine.Challis@hcahealthcare.com
5	FAA Part 91 - Virginia State Police Aviation	Lt. H. Jay Cullen	jay.cullen@vsp.virginia.gov
6	FAA Part 91 - Virginia Beach EMS	John Bianco	jbianco@vbgov.com
7	FAA Part 135 - PHI Air Medical	Chris Shaffer	cshaffer@phihelico.com
8	FAA Part 135 - Carilion Clinic PTS	Susan Smith	smsmith2@carilionclinic.org
9	FAA Part 135 - Nightingale	Denise Baylous	dxbaylou@sentara.com
10	FAA Part 91 - US Park Police	Sgt. Timothy Ryan	Timothy_Ryan@nps.gov
11	FAA Part 135 - LifeEvac Virginia	Terry Austin	terry.austin@airmethods.com
12	FAA Part 135 – VCU LifeEvac	Jay Lovelady	jlovelady@mcvh-vcu.edu
13	FAA Part 135 - Wings Air Rescue	Dwain Rowe	Dwain.Rowe@med-trans.net
14	FAA Part 91 - Fairfax County Police Aviation	Jennifer Lescallett	Jennifer.Lescallett@fairfaxcounty.gov
15	Staff to committee (non voting)	Tim Perkins	