

**State EMS Advisory Board Meeting**  
**Norfolk Waterside Marriott, Norfolk, Virginia**  
**Wednesday, November 7, 2012**  
**1:00 PM**

Members Present:	Members Absent:	Staff:	Others:
<b>Anita Ashby</b> <i>Virginia Hospital &amp; Healthcare Association</i>	J. David Barrick ( <i>Excused</i> ) <i>Peninsulas EMS Council</i>	Gary R. Brown Scott Winston	<b>Marissa Levine, M.D., MPH</b> <i>Virginia Department of Health</i>
<b>Dreama D. Chandler</b> <i>VA Assoc of Volunteer Rescue Squads (VAVRS)</i>	B.R. "Beau" Blevins, III <i>Virginia Association of Counties (VACO)</i>	George Lindbeck, M.D. Michael D. Berg	<b>Ed Rhodes</b> <i>VFCA/VAVRS; EMS Councils/VAGEMSA</i>
<b>Gary Critzer</b> <i>Central Shenandoah EMS Council</i>	Michael Crocket ( <i>Excused</i> ) <i>Associated Public Safety Communications Officials</i>	Karen Owens Carol S. Morrow	<b>Carol Rhodes</b>
<b>James R. Dudley, M.D., MBA</b> <i>VA College of Emergency Physicians</i>	Steve Ennis <i>Virginia State Firefighters Association</i>	Ken Crumpler Dennis Molnar	<b>Melinda Duncan</b> <i>Northern VA EMS Council</i>
<b>Bruce Edwards</b> <i>Tidewater EMS Council</i>	Cathy C. Fox, RN, CEN, CPEN ( <i>Excused</i> ) <i>VA Emergency Nurses Assoc / VA Nurses Assoc</i>	Warren Short Tim Perkins	<b>Wayne Perry</b> <i>Rappahannock EMS Council</i>
<b>Stephen J. Elliott</b> <i>Thomas Jefferson EMS Council</i>	L.V. Pokey Harris ( <i>Excused</i> ) <i>Southwest VA EMS Council</i>	Paul Sharpe Carol Pugh	<b>Jennifer Mae Smith</b> <i>Peninsulas EMS Council (for M.Player)</i>
<b>R. Christian Eudailey</b> <i>Rappahannock EMS Council</i>	Ajai Malhotra, M.D. <i>American College of Surgeons</i>	Chad Blosser Deborah T. Akers	<b>Byron Andrews</b> <i>State Firefighters Assoc / SVRS</i>
<b>Robin L. Foster, M.D.</b> <i>American Academy of Pediatrics</i>	Anthony D. Wilson <i>Virginia Ambulance Association</i>	Amanda Davis Marian Hunter	<b>Rob Lawrence</b> <i>Richmond Ambulance Authority</i>
<b>David Hoback</b> <i>VA Fire Chief's Association</i>	Allen Yee, M.D., FAAEM ( <i>Excused</i> ) <i>Medical Society of Virginia</i>	Wanda Street Irene Hamilton	<b>Kim Craig</b> <i>Staunton-Augusta Rescue Squad</i>
<b>Brian Hricik</b> <i>Northern VA EMS Council</i>			<b>Wayne Peer</b> <i>Rockingham County Fire &amp; Rescue</i>
<b>Richard D. McClure</b> <i>Old Dominion EMS Alliance</i>			<b>Jason Campbell</b> <i>Lynchburg Fire</i>
<b>Marilyn McLeod, M.D.</b> <i>Blue Ridge EMS Council</i>			<b>Barbara Brown</b> <i>FARC/Prince William County Fire/Rescue</i>
<b>Wayne Myers, Jr.</b> <i>VA Assoc of Volunteer Rescue Squads (VAVRS)</i>			<b>Thomas J. Beasley</b> <i>Westmoreland County Dept of EMS</i>
<b>Andrea W. Oakes</b> <i>Virginia Municipal League</i>			<b>Eddie Ferguson</b> <i>Botetourt County Emergency Services</i>
<b>Larry A. Oliver</b> <i>Lord Fairfax EMS Council</i>			<b>Kevin Lipscomb</b> <i>Kempville Vol Rescue Squad, VB</i>
<b>Gary Samuels</b> <i>VA Chapter of the International Assoc of Firefighters</i>			<b>Mike Harmon</b> <i>VAGEMSA</i>

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<b>Matthew Tatum</b> VA Assoc of Governmental EMS Administrators (VAGEMSA)			<b>Gary Dalton</b> VAVRS
<b>John Dale Wagoner</b> Western Virginia EMS Council			<b>Karen Wagner</b> VAVRS
			<b>Rob Logan</b> Western VA EMS Council

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<b>Call to Order – Gary Critzer, Chair</b>	<p>Mr. Critzer called the meeting to order at 1:04 PM</p> <p><u><i>Pledge of Allegiance</i></u> – Mr. Critzer began the meeting by asking everyone to stand for the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.</p> <p><u><i>Approval of August 10, 2012 Meeting Minutes</i></u>- The minutes from the August 10, 2012 State EMS Advisory Board meeting were approved as submitted.</p> <p><u><i>Approval of November 7, 2012 Meeting Agenda</i></u>- The meeting agenda was approved as submitted.</p>	
<b>Chairman’s Report – Gary Critzer</b>	Mr. Critzer deferred his report until the Executive Committee report.	
<b>Vice Chair Report – Dale Wagoner</b>	Mr. Wagoner informed the Board that Benny Summerlin, a dedicated EMS volunteer who served the EMS community in various roles, and was a member of the State EMS Advisory Board had recently died. A scholarship has been established in his name, the Benny Summerlin Scholarship that will award scholarships to worthy individuals pursuing a college degree that will lead to a career in public safety.	
<b>Deputy Commissioner of Public Health &amp; Preparedness – Marissa Levine, MD</b>	<p>Dr. Levine reported on the change in leadership at VDH. Dr. Karen Remley has left her position as Commissioner of the Department of Health. Dr. Maureen Dempsey has been appointed as the Acting Health Commissioner. Dr. Dempsey was the Chief Deputy before assuming the position of Acting Health Commissioner. Dr. Levine has been asked to assume the interim position of Acting Chief Deputy in addition to her other duties.</p> <p>Dr. Levine acknowledged the Norfolk Health Department for once again offering flu vaccinations to EMS Symposium attendees.</p>	
<b>Office of EMS Report – Gary R. Brown, Director</b>	Mr. Brown welcomed the audience to the 33 <sup>rd</sup> annual Virginia EMS Symposium. Mr. Brown reminded the audience of the free flu vaccination being offered by the Norfolk Health Department. He also reminded the group of the Governor’s Awards Ceremony being held on Saturday night.	

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	<p><u>National Association of State EMS Officials Annual Meeting</u> Mr. Brown reported that NASEMSO held its annual meeting in Boise, Idaho in September. He reported on some of the highlights that took place during the annual meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ OEMS Staff Members Elected to Serve on National Committees Mr. Brown pointed out some of the OEMS employees who continue to serve on national committees. Paul Sharpe, the Trauma and Critical Care Manager, was selected as president-elect of the Data Managers Council. David Edwards, the EMS for Children Coordinator, assumed the chairmanship of the Pediatric Emergency Care Council. In addition, Mr. Brown reported that he was elected to the NASEMSO Board of Directors as the East Region alternate. During a recent NASEMSO Board of Directors meeting, Mr. Brown was also named Treasurer. After being elected Treasurer, Mr. Brown had to give up the East Region alternate position on the Board of Directors; but he will still serve on the Board of Directors, since he is the Treasurer.</li> <li>❖ MCI MUCC Implementation Mr. Brown reported that currently the Federal Interagency Committee on EMS (FICEMS) is developing a MUCC (Model Uniform Core Criteria) implementation plan for mass casualty triage. He said that the vast majority of states and local jurisdictions are currently utilizing the START (Simple Triage and Rapid Treatment) plan for Mass casualty triage. Therefore, NASEMSO unanimously passed a resolution asking FICEMS to look at the evidence of MUCC (the Model Uniform Core Criteria) versus START and the cost of the implementation plan and asking FICEMS to include provisions that will allow sufficient grants and support to states and local jurisdictions to help them with transition and implementation.</li> <li>❖ NFPA 1917 Ambulance Standards Mr. Brown reported that the NFPA 1917 Ambulance Standards that are replacing the KKK specs were scheduled to go into effect October 1, 2013. However, he said there has been a lot of discussion on these standards nationally and issues on the way they are written. NASEMSO passed a unanimous request to the Feds requesting a two-year delay of the retirement of the KKK specs. The GSA has agreed to a one year delay but would not promise a two-year delay. NASEMSO has petitioned for two years, and the EMS community will be updated of the final decision.</li> </ul> <p>Mr. Brown reported that currently there are actually three sets of ambulance standards (KKK specs, NFPA specs, and the ASTM specs). NASEMSO has worked with the manufacturers, and the manufacturers have done a crosswalk of the three documents and specifications. This document has been posted on the NASEMSO website.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ National Registry Update Bill Brown from the National Registry of EMTs, who will be retiring, gave a presentation on proposed plans and projects at the National Registry.</li> </ul>	<p><b>OEMS will keep the EMS community informed on the outcome of the request for a two-year delay of implementation of the NFPA 1917 Ambulance Standards.</b></p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ As of 2015, there will be no paper forms for recertification; all forms will be online.</li> <li>➤ NASEMSO has identified two research projects that they will work on through the National Registry in 2013 – (1) a research project on EMS Medical Director’s responsibilities; and (2) a research project for the accreditation and the Paramedic Program Director workload.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ NASEMSO Awarded Three Federal Grants <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Model EMS Guidelines</li> <li>➤ Statewide Implementation of a Prehospital Care Guideline</li> <li>➤ Model Interstate Compact for EMS Personnel Licensure for State Adoption</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><u>2013 EMS Advisory Board Tentative Dates</u>  Mr. Brown gave the tentative dates for the 2013 EMS Advisory Board dates. The dates are tentative because OEMS still has to go out on bid to find a meeting location.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="474 711 1583 873"> <thead> <tr> <th>Primary Date – Desired Date</th> <th>Secondary Dates – If Desired Date Not Available</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Thursday and Friday, February 7-8, 2013</td> <td>Thursday and Friday, February 14 and 15, 2013</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thursday and Friday, May 9-10, 2013</td> <td>Thursday and Friday, May 16 and 17, 2013</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thursday and Friday, August 8-9, 2013</td> <td>Thursday and Friday, August 15 and 16, 2013</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">November 6, 2013 at the Norfolk Waterside Marriott in conjunction with the EMS Symposium</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Primary Date – Desired Date	Secondary Dates – If Desired Date Not Available	Thursday and Friday, February 7-8, 2013	Thursday and Friday, February 14 and 15, 2013	Thursday and Friday, May 9-10, 2013	Thursday and Friday, May 16 and 17, 2013	Thursday and Friday, August 8-9, 2013	Thursday and Friday, August 15 and 16, 2013	November 6, 2013 at the Norfolk Waterside Marriott in conjunction with the EMS Symposium		
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<b>Office of EMS Report – Scott Winston, Assistant Director</b>	<p>Mr. Winston reviewed some of the observations that came out of the survey results.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Frequency of transfer calls before reaching a live person or voice mail</li> <li>2. Easier access to administrative staff</li> <li>3. Timeliness of responses</li> <li>4. Need for additional information for individuals who are initially certified</li> <li>5. Respondents expressed frustration related to TRAINVirginia</li> </ol> <p>Mr. Winston gave an overview of some of the steps OEMS has taken to address concerns brought to light by the survey.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Changes in regards to staffing at the receptionist desk</li> <li>2. Changes in policies regarding voice mails and returning phone calls</li> <li>3. The continued use of email to keep agencies and providers up to date on pertinent information. OEMS has set up a general tech assist email address where individuals can send questions. Additionally, individuals can subscribe to an email list based on certain areas of interest.</li> <li>4. OEMS is also using social media sites to get information out to the EMS community.</li> <li>5. The OEMS website has been redesigned, hopefully, making it easier to obtain information</li> <li>6. The EMS Portal allows instructors, providers, and agencies, and soon medical directors, to transact business electronically with OEMS.</li> </ol> <p>Mr. Winston said that the before the end of the year OEMS will be placing on the web page a site where</p>											

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	individuals can provide recommendations and suggestions as to how the Office of EMS can improve customer service. The site will also enable individuals to recommend and commend OEMS staff for exceptional service.	
<b>OEMS Personnel Update – Michael Berg</b>	<u>OEMS Personnel Change – Michael Berg</u> Mr. Berg reported that Nancy Burrows has been hired as a EMS Program Representative filling the position vacated when Andy Daniel left the Office of EMS.	
<b>Symposium Silent Auction – Karen Owens</b>	<u>Silent Auction at the EMS Symposium – Karen Owens</u> Ms. Owens reported that the Office of EMS would like to start in 2013 at the Symposium to have a “Silent Auction” that monies raised from the auction would go to the EMS Memorial Fund or some other not-for-profit organization that recognizes fallen EMS providers or those who have made great contributions in EMS. Ms. Owens solicited help from the Board and the audience to reach out across the Commonwealth to find organizations willing to donate items to this silent auction.	
<b>Office of EMS Report – George Lindbeck, M.D., State EMS Medical Director</b>	<u>Two Day OMD Course</u> Dr. Lindbeck reported that they are having their first two-day OMD course at Symposium this year. The first day is in the classroom and the second day is the operational course. Dr. Lindbeck thanked Dan Norville for all his assistance in making the operational course possible.  <u>Scope of Practice Grids</u> Dr. Lindbeck reported that the Scope of Practice grids have been updated. They have been reviewed in Medical Direction Committee meeting once, and they will review it again to make sure it is correct before it is presented to the EMS Advisory Board at the February meeting.	<b>Scope of Practice grids will be presented to EMS Advisory Board at the February meeting.</b>
<b>Board of Health EMS Representative – Bruce Edwards</b>	Mr. Edwards gave an overview of the discussions at the last Board of Health meeting. One item discussed was regarding Uranium mining and milling. Mr. Edwards said that if a catastrophic event occurs this issue could potentially cause some severe problems. Mr. Edwards said that the other major issue at the last meeting was in regards to the regulations for abortion facilities in Virginia.	
<b>Physicians Guide to Helicopter EMS Use in Virginia – Tim Perkins</b>	Mr. Perkins reported that a while ago Dr. Remley tasked the Medevac Committee with creating a document that would help to educate hospital staff on how the Medevac system works in Virginia and how they can access the Virginia Medevac system.  The final presentation document was included in the Quarterly Report to the State EMS Advisory Board. <a href="http://www.ems.virginia.gov/EMS_Advisory_Board/Quarterly_Reports/November_2012_Quarterly_Report/Appendix_A.pdf">http://www.ems.virginia.gov/EMS_Advisory_Board/Quarterly_Reports/November_2012_Quarterly_Report/Appendix_A.pdf</a>  The Medevac Committee is bringing this document to the State EMS Advisory Board for approval. The Chair opened the floor for discussion and hearing none called for the vote	<b>MOTION:</b> <b>The State EMS Advisory Board moves to approve the Physicians Guide to Helicopter EMS Use in Virginia document as presented by the Medevac Committee.</b>  <b>YEAS = 18; NAYS = 0; ABSTENTIONS = 0</b>  <b>The motion was carried unanimously.</b>  <b>Mr. Perkins said that a copy of the</b>

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		<p>presentation will now be submitted to Dr. Levine so that she can distribute it throughout VDH and to Anita Ashby as the VHHA representative on the EMS Advisory Board for distribution, as well.</p>
<p><b>Standing Committee Reports and Action Items</b></p>		
<p><b>Executive Committee – Gary Critzer</b></p>	<p>The committee met at the Office of EMS on November 1. It was a very productive meeting. Discussion items included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The recertification waiver legislation, that did not make it on Governor’s legislative agenda last session, has been picked up by a delegate; and is pending for the next session.</li> <li>➤ EMS Plan Revision. Mr. Winston informed them that the EMS Plan draft revisions will be going out to the various committees of the board so they can review sections applicable to their committee.</li> <li>➤ The Executive Committee reaffirmed the commitment of the State Medical Protocols Guideline Workgroup’s work under the Medical Direction Committee.</li> <li>➤ Board appointments still have not been made. Hopefully they will soon be made.</li> <li>➤ Putting together a NEMESIS 3 Workgroup as a VPHIB users group. They are recruiting individuals who utilize the various software packages to create a users group to help with technical issues.</li> <li>➤ A meeting will be scheduled with Dr. Dempsey, the Interim Health Commissioner, along with Dr. Levine, Gary Brown, Scott Winston and Gary Critzer sometime in December to discuss EMS issues.</li> <li>➤ A scheduled Senate Finance subcommittee panel meeting on funding affecting the Health Department was postponed due to the State of Emergency. EMS had been asked to do a presentation on EMS funding. The presentation has been prepared, and will be given once the meeting is rescheduled.</li> <li>➤ Mr. Critzer will be attending a meeting of the Health and Human Services Subcommittee of Commonwealth Preparedness on December 12. He is also attending the State Fire Chiefs Executive Committee meeting in the morning of the 12<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Inform Mr. Critzer of individuals, familiar with one of the third party vendors such as Firehouse or EMS Charts, who are willing to serve on the workgroup.</b></p>
<p><b>Financial Assistance Review Committee – Amanda Davis</b></p>	<p>The committee will meet on Thursday, November 8 at 1PM. They will be reviewing the requests for the upcoming cycle. They received grant applications requesting \$9.3 million in funding this cycle. They received 52 requests for ambulances this cycle, as well. Both of these numbers are high in comparison to the last cycle.</p> <p>They changed the conditions for communications equipment this cycle from P25 compliant to P25 compatibility.</p>	

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	<p>They have a special priority this cycle for VPHIB migration to Version 3. It will probably continue to upcoming cycles as well.</p>	
<p><b>Administrative Coordinator – Gary Samuels</b></p>		
<p><b>Rules and Regulations Committee – Gary Samuels</b></p>	<p>The Rules and Regulations committee last met in August. The Governor has signed the EMS Regulations, and they took effect on October 10, 2012. OEMS staff has almost completed updating the template applications and other required paperwork. Mr. Samuels said they are progressing with the Infectious Control Officer Training Program outline and the Drug and Alcohol Model templates.</p> <p>The committee has sent requests to VML and VACO asking for a representative to fill the last vacant seat on the Rules and Regulations committee.</p>	
<p><b>Legislative and Planning Committee – Chris Eudailey</b></p>	<p>Mr. Eudailey reported that the committee is working on the State EMS Plan, which is due to the State Board of Health to be adopted and approved by March of 2014. He reminded the committees that they need to review the areas of the plan relevant to their work and make comments and edits. OEMS will be sending out a template to all standing committee to assure that the format will be consistent when revisions are received from each committee.</p> <p>State EMS Needs Assessment – the working committee is doing a final review of the assessment instrument. They anticipate that this will be sent to all licensed EMS agency in the Commonwealth in the near future. They ask that each agency respond, and they would like to have only one response from each agency.</p> <p>The legislative session will be starting soon. Mr. Eudailey asked that board members let Mr. Winston or him know of any legislation that they may be aware of that may be coming up in the session.</p>	

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<b>Infrastructure Coordinator – Matt Tatum</b>		
<b>Transportation Committee – Matt Tatum</b>	<p>The Transportation Committee met in late October. They reviewed the grant applications requests for ambulances. The committee has discussed the NFPA 1917 document, and is waiting for the crosswalk document that should be available on the NASEMSO website shortly.</p> <p>Mr. Tatum said that there are a few vacancies on the Transportation committee, and the committee will be working with the Executive Committee to get those positions filled.</p>	
<b>Communications Committee – Gary Critzer</b>	<p>The committee has tried to meet twice but both times were unable to have a quorum. Mr. Critzer asked Ken Crumpler to present some pending action items to the Board.</p> <p>Mr. Crumpler encouraged the agencies to please make narrowbanding the focus of their attention.</p> <p>Mr. Crumpler reported that the EMD White Paper presented at the last EMS Advisory Board meeting was very well received across the Commonwealth.</p> <p>Mr. Crumpler brought forth a motion from the committee to grant accreditation to three PSAPs.</p> <p>The Chair opened the floor for discussion. There was one question, and then the Chair called for the vote.</p>	<p><b>MOTION:</b>  <b>The state EMS Advisory Board moves to grant OEMS PSAP accreditation to the Arlington County Emergency Communications Center, the Green County Emergency Communications Center, and the Lynchburg Department of Emergency Services.</b></p> <p><b>YEAS = 18; NAYS = 0; ABSTENTIONS = 0</b></p> <p><b>The motion was carried unanimously.</b></p>
<b>Emergency Management Committee – Steve Ennis</b>	Mr. Ennis was not in attendance, and the committee did not have a report.	
<b>Patient Care Coordinator – Allen Yee, M.D.</b>	Dr. Yee was unable to attend the meeting; and there was no report.	
<b>Medical Direction Committee – Marilyn McLeod, M.D.</b>	Dr. McLeod said that the committee is working on some white papers that should be available by the next meeting.	
<b>Medevac Committee – Tim Perkins</b>	<p>Mr. Perkins reported that the committee met earlier in the day. He said that they encouraged the Medevac community to submit proposals for presentations for the 2013 Symposium. The committee is trying to schedule a planning meeting in January to work on creating a strategic plan for the Medevac system.</p> <p>Mr. Perkins said that the WeatherSafe program name has been changed from Helicopter Turn Down program to Helicopter EMS program.</p> <p>The Air Medical Transport Conference will be held in Virginia Beach in October 2013, and they plan to have a presence at this conference. Mr. Perkins also reported that Lt. Bob Possumato from Virginia</p>	



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	<p>State Police, the head of their Aviation unit is retiring. No one has been named as yet to replace him. Mr. Perkins said that they have made some changes to the Medevac Resource document, and that information can be found on the Medevac page of the OEMS website. The committee is tentatively scheduled to meet on February 7.</p>	
<p><b>Trauma System Oversight &amp; Management Committee – Paul Sharpe</b></p>	<p>Mr. Sharpe reported that they have modified their contract with Image Trend to start utilizing their trauma registry product to replace their existing product. This will bring trauma and EMS data into one system. They are rewriting the Trauma data dictionary minimum data set and that will be brought to the Board sometime early 2013.</p> <p>The Trauma Center Designation Manual was accepted by the Health Commissioner on behalf of the Board of Health.</p> <p>The Trauma Performance Improvement Committee is continuing to meet. The Office of EMS will be hosting the Trauma Outcome Performance Improvement Committee course in December.</p>	<p><b>The Trauma Oversight &amp; Management Committee will present a draft of the rewritten Trauma data dictionary minimum data set to the Board sometime in early 2013.</b></p>
<p><b>EMS for Children – Robin Foster, M.D.</b></p>	<p>The committee met on October 4. The committee is working on the Voluntary Hospital Designation Program for pediatric emergency departments. They held a meeting on October 15 to engage stakeholders and get their input regarding the proposed program. They will make some revisions to the proposed program based on the input they received in that meeting.</p> <p>EMSC is offering two educational programs. One is the EPC (Emergency Pediatric Care) course. This is a two-day course that is being provided in areas that may not have pediatric expertise. The only cost for the course is a \$25 registration fee. Dr. Foster said that the EMSC committee is also offering a two-day course at the Symposium this year, the ENPC (Emergency Nursing Pediatric Course). She hopes that this program will continue to be offered in the future.</p>	
<p><b>Professional Development Coordinator – Larry Oliver</b></p>		
<p><b>Training &amp; Certification Committee – Larry Oliver</b></p>	<p>The last scheduled Training &amp; Certification Committee meeting in October was cancelled. The meetings in 2013 will be set for the day before the Medical Direction Committee. The committee has formalized a subcommittee to review competencies and access to achieving the competencies. The committee will be chaired by Rick McClure. Letters were sent out to the individuals selected to serve on the committee, and they have all accepted. The committee will start meeting after the first of the year.</p>	
<p><b>Workforce Development Committee – Dreama Chandler</b></p>	<p>The committee met this morning. They now have rough drafts of all seven of the core areas identified for Areas of Excellence survey. They will develop a cover letter to go with each assessment and also work on developing a resource guide. The EMS Officer I is in rough draft and should be available for the Board's approval at the next meeting.</p>	<p><b>EMS Officer I draft will be presented to the Board at the February meeting.</b></p>
<p><b>Provider Health &amp; Safety Committee – Brian Hricik</b></p>	<p>The committee will meet next in February. Mr. Hricik said that he and Mr. Perkins participated in a group effort to bring forth a professional video public service announcement to help the National EMS Memorial Service as well as the Air Medical Memorial Service to raise funds for their causes. They are working with the Ultimate Challenge as well as both of the organizations to post the video to their</p>	

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	<p>websites. They are also working with OEMS and the Regional EMS Councils to have the video posted to their websites as well. The website is up and running. It is <a href="http://www.ultimate-challenge.org">www.ultimate-challenge.org</a>.</p> <p>Gary Brown stated that it has been posted on the OEMS website. Mr. Brown said that since he is now on the National EMS Memorial Service Board of Directors, he has asked that NASEMSO also post this link on their website. Mr. Brown thanked Mr. Hricik for his hard work on this effort.</p>	
<p><b>Nominating Committee Report – Election of Officers – Bruce Edwards</b></p>	<p>Mr. Edwards reported that the Nominating Committee, which was composed of Gary Samuels, Chris Eudailey, Dale Wagoner, Marilyn McLeod, and him, met and agreed upon a slate of officers for 2013 that they would like to present to the Board for their approval.</p> <p>The following EMS Advisory Board members are nominated:  Chair: Gary Critzer  Vice Chair: Dale Wagoner  Administrative Coordinator: Gary Samuels  Infrastructure Coordinator: Matt Tatum  Patient Care Coordinator: Allen Yee  Professional Development Coordinator: Larry Oliver  Rules and Regulations Committee: Gary Samuels  Legislative and Planning Committee: Chris Eudailey  Transportation Committee: Matt Tatum  Communications Committee: Gary Critzer  Emergency Management Committee: David Hoback  Medical Direction Committee: Marilyn McLeod  Medevac Committee: Allen Yee  Trauma System Oversight and Management Committee: Ajai Malhotra  EMS for Children Committee: Robin Foster  Training and Certification Committee: Larry Oliver  Workforce Development Committee: Dreama Chandler  Provider Health and Safety Committee: Brian Hricik</p> <p>The Chair, in accordance with policy, opened the floor for nominations. There were no nominations from the floor.</p>	<p><b>There were no nominations from the floor.</b></p> <p><b>By acclamation the Slate of Officers were accepted.</b></p>
<p><b>Regional EMS Councils – Greg Woods</b></p>	<p>The Regional EMS Council Directors group has not met. They will schedule their meeting in December in conjunction with the RSAF Grant Awards meetings to minimize travel expenses.</p> <p>Mr. Woods reported on several information items.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Regional EMS Council Designation: 11 applications were received by OEMS by the application deadline. All 11 currently designated regional EMS Councils submitted applications for redesignation.</li> <li>➤ The Regional Directors Group (RDG) is pleased to support the Virginia EMS Symposium as a</li> </ul>	

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	<p>sponsor. We were able to sponsor specific educational tracks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ RDG is planning a Board leader/managers workshop to facilitate collaboration and standardization. An RSAF grant was submitted for funding of that meeting. They plan to hold it in the spring.</li> <li>➤ Mr. Woods thanked OEMS and specifically the Division of Educational Development for their continued work to give Council staff access to various data systems. Most recently council staff was given access to print test eligibility letters for candidates.</li> </ul>	
<b>PUBLIC COMMENT</b>	None	
<b>OLD BUSINESS</b>	Mr. Eudailey said at the last meeting he asked that the Executive Committee and Mr. Gary Brown to review possibilities for additional funding for the councils, and he wanted to know if there is anything to report at this time. Mr. Critzer said that this did not get on the agenda for the last meeting, but he will make sure it is on the next agenda of the Executive Committee.	<b>Mr. Critzer told Mr. Eudailey that they will have something to report on the question of additional funding for the councils at the next meeting.</b>
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>	<p>Dr. Dudley asked the Board to initiate a resolution to honor Dr. Remley for her service to the Commonwealth and EMS. Dr. Dudley said that Dr. Remley was a true ally to EMS.  <a href="#">..\..\Resolution for Dr. Karen Remley.docx</a></p> <p>The Chair opened the floor for discussion. Hearing none, the Chair called for the vote.</p>	<p><b>MOTION:</b>  <b>The State EMS Advisory Board moves to adopt a resolution honoring Dr. Karen Remley for her service to the Commonwealth and EMS.</b></p> <p><b>YEAS = 18; NAYS = 0;  ABSTENTIONS = 0</b></p> <p><b>The motion was carried unanimously</b></p>
<b>Adjournment</b>	The meeting was adjourned at 2:21 PM	