VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH STATE EMS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 2022 9:59 A.M.

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1 APPEARANCES		1	TRACEY MCLAURIN, LFEMS	
2 STATE EMS ADVISORY BOARD COM			STEPHEN PINCUS, PEMS	
3 KEVIN DILLARD, BOARD CHAIR			ED RHODES, VAVRS	
4 VALERIE QUICK, VICE CHAIR			BARRY MCDONALD, VAVRS	
5 SCOTT WINSTON, ASSISTANT DIREC	TOR	5	MONTY DIXON, HENRICO FIRE	
6 KRISTA SAMUELS, ASSISTANT ATTO			WANDA STREET, OEMS	
7 BILL STREETT, LORD FAIRFAX EMS			MOHAMED ABBAMIN, OEMS	
8 REBECCA BRANCH GRIFFIN, PH.D, C	ONSUMER	8	SAM BURNETTE, OEMS	
9 JEREMIAH O'SHEA, M.D., VIRGINIA H	OSPITAL AND	9	CHRIS VERNOVAI, OEMS	
10 HEALTHCARE ASSOCIATION		10	KAREN OWENS, OEMS	
11 SADIE JO THURMAN, PENINSULAS E	MS COUNCIL 1	11	CAMELA CRITTENDEN, OEMS	
12 JOSEPH WILLIAMS, RAPPAHANNOCH	KEMS COUNCIL	12	RON PASSMORE, OEMS	
13 BETH ADAMS - NORTHERN VIRGINIA	EMS COUNCIL 1	13	DEBBIE AKERS, OEMS	
14 JOHN C. BOLLING - SOUTHWEST VIF	RGINIA EMS COUNCIL	14	CHAD BLOSSER, OEMS	
15 THE HONORABLE GARY WAYNE TAN	INER, VIRGINIA	15	LUKE PARKER, OEMS	
16 ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES	1	16	GINA BARBER, VCU	
17 LISA SIMBA, VIRGINIA FIRE CHIEF'S	ASSOCIATION 1	17	HANNAH LYONS, OEMS	
18 MARLON MATTHEW RICKMAN, WES	TERN VIRGINIA EMS	18	RD PEPPY WINCHEL, TJEMS	
19 COUNCIL			DANIEL LINKINS, CSEMS	
20 ANGELA P. FERGUSON, OLD DOMINI			CODY JACKSON, MED-TRANS CORP	
21 DREAMA CHANDLER, VIRGINIA ASSO			MARIAN HUNTER, OEMS	
22 VOLUNTEER RESQUE SQUADS			MINDY CARTER, OEMS	
23 DILLARD "EDDIE" FERGUSON, INFRA			DALLAS TAYLOR, HCA CAPITAL DIVISION	
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10 SONNY SAXTON, ASSOCIATED PUBL	IC SAFETY	11		
11 COMMUNICATIONS OFFICIALS		12		
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13 PATRICK MCLAUGHLIN, M.D., M.S., A	MERICAN ACADEMY	14		
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15 ADAM HARRELL, ASSOCIATE DIREC	11	16		
16 ROBERT W. HICKS, DEPUTY COMMIS	DOIUNER 1	17		
17 GARY R. BROWN, DIRECTOR OEMS	1	18		
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22 KELSEY RIDEOUT, OEMS - REMS 23 WAYNE PERRY, REMS	2	23		
24 BRANDON TRUMAN, VALLEY MEDICA		24		
25 CHARLES FEIRING, CS EMS		25		



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1	VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	1	CHAIR DILLARD: Any opposed, same	
2	STATE EMS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING	2	sign?	
3	FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 2022	3	ATTENDEES: (No audible response.)	
4	9:59 A.M.	4	CHAIR DILLARD: The motion	
5	(WHEREUPON, the meeting of the Virginia	5	carries. Okay, we'll start off with the	
6	Department of Health/State Emergency Medical	6	Chairman's report. I would like to welcome	
	Services Advisory Board was called to order at	7	everybody to our first quarter EMS Advisory Board	
	9:59 a.m.)	8	Meeting. As you know, this meeting is scheduled	
9	CHAIR DILLARD: Okay, good morning	9	from our original February 4th date that we	
10	everybody, I'd like to go ahead and call the	10	postponed until today due to the high positivity	
11	meeting to order of the State EMS Advisory Board.	11	rates of Covid we were experiencing, and the	
	At this time I'm going to call on the Vice Chair	12	immense strains that was putting on our EMS	
	Valerie Quick to lead us in the Pledge of	13	system and on the hospitals, so I want to thank	
14	Allegiance.	14	each and every one of you for your understanding	
15	VICE CHAIR QUICK: I pledge	15	and being supportive of this change.	
16	allegiance to the flag of the United States of	16	We have at least one new Board	
	America, and to the Republic for which it stands,		Member here today, so I would like to go around	
18	one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty		the table and ask everybody to introduce	
19	and justice for all.	19	themselves for the new people's benefit, so I'll	
20	CHAIR DILLARD: Okay, the minutes	20	start up here with me and we'll go to the left.	
21	from the November 12th meeting were sent out to	21	, - ,	
22	all of the Board Members, I will entertain a		represent the Virginia Ambulance Association.	
23	motion at this time for approval.	23	VICE CHAIR QUICK: I'm Valerie	
24	MR. BOLLING: So moved.		Quick, I'm the Vice Chair, I represent the Thomas	
25	CHAIR DILLARD: I have a motion,	25	Jefferson EMS Council.	
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1	do we have a second?	1	MR. WINSTON: Scott Winston,	
2	MR. WINSTON: Second.	2	Assistant Director of the Virginia Department of	
3	CHAIR DILLARD: Motion and a	3	Health, Office of EMS.	
4	second, any discussion?	4	MS. SAMUELS: Krista Samuels, from	
5	ATTENDEES: (No audible response.)		the Attorney General's Office, I am the attorney	
6	CHAIR DILLARD: All in favor,		for the Office of EMS.	
	signify by saying aye.	7	MR. STREETT: Bill Streett, I	
8	ATTENDEES: Aye.		represent Lord Fairfax EMS Council.	
9	CHAIR DILLARD: Any opposed, same	9	MS. BRANCH GRIFFIN: Rebecca	
	sign?	I	Branch Griffin, I'm looking to see what, retired	
11	ATTENDEES: (No audible response.)	11	nurse practitioner.	
12	CHAIR DILLARD: The motion	12	DR. O'SHEA: Good morning, Jake	
13	carries. We also need to approve the agenda for	13	O'Shea, I'm the Regional Chief Medical Officer	
14	today's meeting that was sent out, I would	14	1 5 5	
15	entertain a motion for approval.		Hospital & Healthcare Association.	
16	BOARD MEMBER: So moved.	16	MS. THURMAN: Sadie Thurman,	
l Č		117	representing Peninsula's EMS Council.	
17	CHAIR DILLARD: Okay, we have a	1		
17	CHAIR DILLARD: Okay, we have a motion, do we have a	18	MR. WILLIAMS: Joseph Williams,	
17	-	18 19	representing the Rappahannock EMS Council.	
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1	MS. SIMBA: Lisa Simba,	1	invasion. The next thing I have is, we did	
2	representing Virginia Fire Chiefs Association.	2	receive a letter of resignation from one of the	
3	MR. RICKMAN: Matt Rickman,		Board Members, Tom Schwalenberg, he made that	
4	representing Western Virginia EMS Council.	4	effective March the 7th, and he's accepted a job	
5	MS. FERGUSON: Angela Ferguson,		offer in North Carolina, so he's not eligible to	
6	representing Old Dominion EMS Council.	6	continue to serve. So he did serve as the Chair	
7	MS. CHANDLER: Dreama Chandler,	7	of our Emergency Management Committee, and he	
8	representing the Virginia Association of	8	will need to be replaced by the Governor when he	
	Volunteer Rescue Squads.	9	decides to do so. And then today after our	
10	MR. E. FERGUSON: Eddie Ferguson,	10	meeting, I want to remind everybody we're going	
11	representing the Virginia State Firefighters	11	to have the orientation for the seven new Board	
	Association.	12	Members, and if any of the current Board Members	
13	MR. SAMUELS: Gary Samuels,	13	would like to sit in on that, you're certainly	
14	representing the Virginia Professional	14	welcome to do so also. And that concludes the	
	Firefighters Association.	15	Chairman's report. We will call on Vice Chair	
16	DR. YEE: Allen Yee, representing	16	Valerie Quick.	
17	Virginia College of Emergency Physicians.	17	VICE CHAIR QUICK: I have no	
18	MR. RUSH: Bryan Rush,	18	report at this time.	
	representing Virginia Municipal League.	19	CHAIR DILLARD: Thank you,	
20	MR. NORVILLE: Dan Norville, of	20	Valerie. Deputy Commissioner, Mr. Bob Hicks.	
	Virginia Association of EMS Administrators.	21	DEPUTY COMMISSIONER HICKS:	
22	MS. CRAIG: Kim Craig, Virginia	22	don't have a real formal report today, I was	
	Association of Volunteer Rescue Squads.	23	hoping to bring our acting State Health	
24	MR. LAWLER: Matt Lawler,	24	Commissioner with us today, but it was on his	
	representing the Central Shenandoah EMS Council.	25	schedule and then the administration changed his	
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1	MR. SAXTON: Sonny Saxton,	1	meeting schedule, so hopefully he will join us in	
2	representing the Association of Public Safety	2	May when we meet again. But I do want to thank	
3	Communications Officials.	3	you all for your service to us, and helping us	
4	MR. R. J. FERGUSON: Jason	4	through some difficult times, and appreciate	
5	Ferguson, representing the BREMS Council.	5	being a part of this group.	
6	DR. MCLAUGHLIN: Morning, Pat	6	CHAIR DILLARD: Okay, thank you.	
7	McLaughlin, representing the Emergency Medical	7	At this time, the Office of EMS report, Gary	
8	Services for Children.	8	Brown.	
9	MR. HARRELL: Adam Harrell,	9	MR. BROWN: Okay, thank you Mr.	
10	Virginia Office of EMS.	10	Chairman. First of all is, as you know that for	
11	DEPUTY COMMISSIONER HICKS: Bob	11	the past couple of months I've been sending out	
12	Hicks, Deputy Commissioner for Public Health and	12	every Friday a Legislative grid and report on	
13	Preparedness.	13	legislation that's been introduced in the	
14	MR. BROWN: Good morning, Gary	14	Virginia General Assembly. Hopefully you have	
115		15	kept up with that, and it's been helpful to you,	
1.0	Brown, Director of the Office of EMS.	1		
16	Brown, Director of the Office of EMS. CHAIR DILLARD: Okay, thank you	16	or maybe its bored you, I don't know, but anyway	
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1 to make sure that we did continue our quarterly	1 monthly or a weekly summary of what the status is
2 report on time, however, so hopefully since you	2 of bills as they track through the various
3 have had it for over a month that you've had a	3 committees of the General Assembly. And as
4 chance to read it, and it is full of information	4 staff, we prepared legislative action summaries
5 and updates on all the programs and services	5 and fiscal impact statements, and role bill
6 going on in the Commonwealth and with the State	6 reviews, and these are all confidential working
7 EMS Advisory Board. Also, just to make a plug	7 papers of the Governor that go up through our
8 for the 2022 Virginia EMS Symposium, we are	8 chain of command to the Administration. We were
9 keeping the call for presentations open for a	9 fairly light this year in terms of bills that
10 little bit longer, and we certainly appeal to you	10 were assigned to us, and the bills that we did
11 guys, that is if there is any topic or any	11 receive related primarily to telehealth, and
12 courses you would like to have, see offered at	12 there are just a few bills I will highlight.
13 the Virginia EMS Symposium, or you know of	13 Senate Bill 170, introduced by Senator Peake,
14 instructors, or others that you would like to	14 very early on in the session that bill was
15 recommend, please go to our website and put that	15 removed from the docket at the request of the
16 information, even if you don't have all the	16 patron, that bill was directing the Health
17 information you need to completely fill out the	17 Department to amend the Statewide Telehealth Plan
18 call for presentations, but just put it as a	18 to require healthcare providers providing
19 placeholder, or email Debbie Akers directly and	19 telehealth services to directly contact and
20 you can copy me if you would like, and we would	20 coordinate with Emergency Services, in accordance
21 really like to get all of the Board Members	21 with the standard of care that it was appropriate
22 involved, especially the medical directors, Dr.	22 for the patient's condition, and the services
23 Yee, excuse me, but we need your offerings as	23 that were rendered during the telehealth visit.
24 soon as possible, so we can round that out.	24 This next bill is in good shape, and has been
25 Debbie, I think we have maybe over seven hundred	25 signed by the Speaker of the House and the
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1 call for presentations right now, but we normally	1 President of the Senate, and is awaiting
2 get at least over a thousand or so to choose	2 signature by the Governor. And they were what
3 from, which is why the quality of the symposium	3 are called companion bills, identical bills
4 is so good, and we want to make sure that we're	4 introduced in the Senate and in the House, House
5 offering what the system needs, and what our	5 Bill 81, and Senate Bill 436 are companion bills
6 docs, our nurses, our administrators, our	6 that talk to the Statewide Telehealth Plan, and
7 providers need for education and for continued	7 directing the Board of Health to consult with the
8 education. So please do that if you can. With	8 Virginia Telehealth Network in amending and
9 that, I will defer to Scott Winston, speaking of	9 maintaining the Statewide Telehealth Plan. And
10 legislation, we just had a Legislative & Planning	10 it requires the Board to contract with the
11 Committee meeting and since Scott is, that is his	11 telehealth, Virginia Telehealth Network, or
12 wheelhouse, I've asked him to kind of give a	12 another Virginia-based non-governmental
13 brief legislative update, so Scott?	13 organization based on, focused on telehealth, if
14 MR. WINSTON: All right, thank you	-
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1	requested the introduction of a bill, House Bill	1	MR. WINSTON: Not that I know of.	
	874 that was introduced by Delegate Kay Kory that	2	CHAIR DILLARD: You gave me that	
	would provide a tax credit to anyone who had		look, like. So okay, thank you Scott. Just to	
	purchased an automated external defibrillator.		elaborate on a couple things, or one thing that	
	And it would create a one-time, individual income	5	Scott brought up. In our quarterly report that	
	tax credit of up to twelve hundred dollars. That		you received on February the 4th, I did place in	
	bill got referred to the House Committee on		our report the proposed EMS budget, that it was	
	Finance, then it was assigned to a Finance		in the budget bill, as well as information on	
	subcommittee, and in that subcommittee, at a vote	9	inter-fund transfers, and also adjustments and	
	of six to three, it was lightly laid on the	10	modification to fees, and also budget amendments	
	table, so it did not make it out of the	11	that had been introduced at that time. And we've	
	subcommittee, and therefore there is no further		talked for years now about the Trauma Center Fund	
	action. But there is a substitute that was		and the primary revenue source for that is the	
	introduced on the same day that it was laid on		reinstatement of driver's licenses, and with that	
	the table, and essentially it's a work in	15	has occurred over the past couple of years in	
	progress that we are at the Legislative &		terms of eliminating a lot of reasons of why	
	Planning Committee endorsed the concept of	17	driver's license have been suspended. And so	
	increasing the number of AED's available to the		therefore, if they're not suspended, then they're	
	public for use in emergency situations. And we	19	not reinstating their driver's license fees, and	
	are going to be continuing to communicate with	20	part of those reinstatement fees came to the	
	Dr. Perkins about this project that he is working	21	Trauma Center Fund, so the funds have been	
	on, and whatever we can do to assist him, we will	22	dwindling down, so we've been looking at a more	
	provide information and resources to him. And		secure type of funding source for the Trauma	
	then finally, there is Senate Bill 663, it's a		Center Fund. So there were two budget amendments	
	telemedicine services plan, it would be directing		that were introduced, and both were basically	
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1	the Board of Health to amend the State plan for	1	redirects, basically 12.5 million dollars of	
2	medical assistance services that occur through	2	funding from the two dollar increase in the	
3	the Department of Medical Assistance Services, or	3	annual vehicle registration fee that is	
4	DMAS, to include a provision for the payment of	4	transferred to the general fund each year. As	
5	origination site fee for emergency medical	5	you know, we get four and a quarter for life	
6	service agencies for facilitating synchronous	6	funding from the motor vehicle registration fees.	
7	telehealth visits with distant site provider	7	The General Assembly, years back added two	
8	delivered to a Medicaid number. The bill further	8	dollars to that, but those two dollars don't come	
9	defines what an originating site is, and this	9	to EMS, they go into the general fund, so these	
10	bill has reverted to its original form that was	10	two amendments basically said let's take 12.5	
11	introduced, because there was a substitute that	11	million out of that two dollars and bring it to	
12	was accepted and was being worked on, but it	12	the Trauma Center Fund. Unfortunately, those two	
13	reverted back, and currently the bill is being	13	amendments did not make it, but however, there	
14	reviewed for its fiscal impact, and its proposed	14	were two other amendments that were introduced,	
15	impact on the general and non-general funding.	15	and one on the House side, and it as approved by	
16	It has a million and a half roughly in the next	16	the full House by a floor vote, and it basically	
17	two fiscal years as a potential fiscal impact, so	17	says, the Commissioner of the Department of	
18	that's currently being looked at, and no final	18	Health shall allocate thirteen point, thirteen	
19	decision has been made. So with that, Gary, I	19	million dollars from the American Rescue Plan	
20	will turn it back to you.	20	Act. ARPA, in Fiscal Year 2023 for trauma centers	
21	MR. BROWN: Okay, thanks Scott.	21	that are funded through the Trauma Center Fund	
22	Do you have anything else to add besides	22	established in, and it references the section in	
23	legislation at this point? From?	23	the Code of Virginia, and it says allocations	
24	MR. WINSTON: No.	24	shall be consistent with the formula used for the	
25	MR. BROWN: Okay.	25	fund, except that this one time allocation of	



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1	Federal ARPA dollars shall be distributed only to	1	with code, regulation, and policy. So that	
	those hospitals in which the number of individual		individual is Keith Roberts, Mr. Roberts, if you	
	subject to temporary detention orders served by		would stand please. Many of you may recognize	
	the hospital have increased since Fiscal Year		Mr. Roberts, he was with us for quite some time	
	2014. So that has been approved by the House.		as our HR analyst with OEMS, he transitioned to a	
	On the Senate side, there was an amendment that		Shared Business Service model, and then has come	
	has been approved by the Senate, full Senate, and		back to us. So if you get the opportunity, say	
	it states, evidence appropriation of five million		hello to Keith introduce yourself because, you	
	dollars the first year, and five million dollars		know, he will be, like I said, interacting with	
	the second year, from the general fund shall be		agencies, localities, hospitals, et cetera.	
	transferred to the Trauma Center Fund,	11	The last one, and I don't think	
	established pursuant to the 18.2-270.01 of the		he's here, is Dave Thomas. Dave is our new fleet	
	Code of Virginia. So basically that money would		and logistic administrator, he comes in to the	
	come into the EMS budget, but it would be		position that was previously occupied by Frank	
	earmarked to be transferred out of EMS into the		Cheatham. So if you weren't aware, Frank retired	
16	Trauma Center Fund. Since these are two		at the end of last year, so Dave Thomas, he's	
17	different budget amendments and they are not, the		been working with us for quite a few years in a	
	language is different, it has to go to a Conferee		contract position, but prior to that he worked	
19	Committee. I don't know whether that has	19	with the Department of Correctional Enterprises,	
20	occurred or not, but anyway, the General Assembly	20	in their furniture and hard piece goods services	
21	is due to adjourn actually tomorrow, and but we	21	division, not as an inmate, so.	
22	do think that there is obviously a possibility	22	Other than that there are some	
23	that the General Assembly will be brought back	23	other personnel with, under other groups, I know	
24	into session to deal with budgets and amendments,	24	Wayne, do you want to introduce your new	
25	and things like that. So once we know what the	25	employee?	
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1	disposition of this is, obviously we will notify	1	MR. WAYNE: Sure. Ms. Kelsey	
	you guys by some communique, but just wanted to	2	Rideout, she's out new performance improvement	
	let you know what's going on with the efforts to	3	specialist for the Rappahannock office.	
	replenish the funds in the Trauma Center Fund.	4	MR. HARRELL: And Dan, you had a	
-	So with that I will now turn to Adam Harrell, and		new staff member start as well, didn't you? I	
	first he's got some personnel updates, and then a		don't know if he's here.	
	few other items, and Adam, the floor is yours.		MR. NORVILLE: Charles Feiring,	
8	MR. HARRELL: All right, thank you		he's our technical resource specialist.	
	Gary. So as far as personnel updates go, the	9	REPORTER: I can't hear, I'm so	
	first one I would like to do is introduce Mohamed		sorry.	
	Abbamin, Mohamed, if you would stand up?	11	MR. NORVILLE: Charles Feiring is	
12	Mohamed comes to us as a senior		our technical resource specialist with the	
	policy analyst, he has a history of working with,		Shenandoah region, and who also couldn't be here	
	he worked for quite a while with the Department of Fire Programs as their policy analyst, as well		today, but Laurie Cook is our administrative	
	as a member of Congress, so we are very excited	15	staff specialist.	
	to have Mo with us and we've already started	I	MR. HARRELL: I don't think I've missed any other new staff, if I have please yell	
	putting him to work. Everybody, when you get an	17 18		
	opportunity, say hello to Mohamed.	10	MR. BROWN: Adam, if I may say, I	
20	The next one is another policy	20	think it's nice that Keith has his own fan club	
	analyst position, this specific position is going	21	that he pays to applaud, so you know, he's	
	to focus on compliance with some of the funding	22	starting off pretty good, maybe we're already	
	programs with EMS, so these are the Return to	23	paying him too much.	
	Locality Programs, RSAF grants, scholarship	24	MR. HARRELL: All right, so the	
	programs, insuring that they are in compliance		next thing I have for you all is, and you have a	



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1 draft of it in front of you, is an electronic	1 or questions.
2 meeting participation policy.	2 DR. O'SHEA: Mr. Chair, a
3 So this has been discussed quite a	3 guestion. Jake O'Shea. Has this been circulated
4 bit since the onset of Covid, there have been a	4 to the Board, or reviewed by any Committees to
5 lot of requests, so this comes from a draft	5 the Board before presenting to us today?
6 document that came from Joe Hilbert, who is our	6 MR. HARRELL: No, it has not.
7 Deputy Commissioner for Policy & Governmental	7 Like I said, this came and got specific guidance,
8 Affairs within VDH. And this comes from a lot of	8 so there's not a lot of option for interpretation
9 research associated with Joe, with the FOIA	9 or addition or deletion, and I can defer to Ms.
10 Council, with the AG's Office, and as you look	10 Samuels as our AG rep on that. This was brought
11 through this, and I will have to give credit	11 in as kind of a lump sum, at this point really
12 where credit is due, I just stole Joe's document	12 the only things that could be adjusted is you can
13 and changed the names. But it is scenario-based,	13 have actually take away scenarios that the Board
14 so as you read through this and take a look at	14 doesn't want to entertain, or not include the
15 this, it outlines specific scenarios and specific	15 committees in this, but as far as the actual
16 situations that allow for public bodies, or	16 specificity on how it has to occur, how the
17 public boards such as this, to meet	17 approvals have to occur, that's all Code
18 electronically. This also has the potential to	18 language, we can't adjust that.
19 include our committees, should this Board so feel	19 DR. O'SHEA: I just personally
20 that this policy should apply to all of the	20 have hesitation to vote to approve a policy that
21 committees under the Advisory Board as well.	21 I haven't had a chance to review, or hasn't gone
22 When you look at this, again, this	22 through a committee, it's just there is no chance
23 outlines really the only legal options that we	23 to question. Thank you.
24 have to be compliant with FOIA, while also	24 CHAIR DILLARD: Okay, any other
25 offering some type of electronic participation	25 comments or questions?
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2	CHAIR DILLARD: Okay, we have a		ask us, we would be more than happy to answer	
3	motion and a second that we refer this document	3	your questions.	
4	to the Executive Committee for review, and then	4	All right, we'll give just a	
5	bring back a recommendation to the full Board.	5	little background so we're all on the same page,	
6	Any discussion?	6	and then jump into the highlights. And I	
7	ATTENDEES: (No audible response.)	7	apologize that it's only on the screen, oh it is	
8	CHAIR DILLARD: All in favor,	8	up there, wonderful, so you should be able to see	
9	signify by saying aye.	9	it on all of the screens.	
10		10	We'll start off with letting you	
11	CHAIR DILLARD: Any opposed, same	11	know what questions were added to the needs	
12		12	assessment from 2012. The responses that were	
13	-	13	very similar to the 2012 responses, meaning	
14		14	responses that were not a statistically	
15	carries.	15	significant difference.	
16	MR. HARRELL: All right, the last	16	And then we'll go into what has	
17	thing that I have and I would like the Hannah	17	changed since 2012, what responses were	
18	· · · · · · · · · · ·	18	statistically significantly different, and then	
	work and present on behalf of the chatter	19	let you know from there what the top needs and	
20		20	concerns were as outlined in the agencies that	
21		21	responded to this needs assessment.	
22	č	22	And finally, we'll give just one	
23		23	or two recommendations for the next time this	
24		24	needs assessment is conducted.	
25		25	All right, last year 578 agencies	
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1	years since our last EMS Needs Assessment has	1	were invited to participate in this needs	
	been conducted statewide, so around this time		assessment, so that is a very large sample size,	
3			we're very thankful for all of those who received	
4		4	our communications and responded to the needs	
5	we are excited to show those results with you	5	assessment. The goal of the assessment was to	
6		6	identify the resources, equipment, training and	
7			other sort of priorities that we wanted to	
8	MS. BARBER: Good morning,		highlight and bring to your attention today. As	
9	everyone.	9	Hannah said, last time it as conducted in 2012,	
10	ATTENDEES: Good morning.	10	so almost ten years, and the survey	
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2 2021 needs assessment was as close to the 2012			training. A few more new questions asked about	
3 questions, except where there were new questions			common education levels, which the most common	
4 added or adjustments had to be made.			educational levels were high school diploma or	
5 All right, so in August, just a			GED, Bachelor's degree, and some college.	
6 few months ago, EMS agencies were invited to		6	There were many questions about	
7 participate in the electronic survey, and any			the impacts of Covid-19, and we will get into	
8 agencies that did not respond by September 8th			that more in just a few slides. And also we	
9 were mailed a paper survey, so we had two			asked about the most helpful and least helpful	
10 different methods of completing the survey. And			training types that personnel received, their	
11 by October when the survey closed, 414 agencies			most helpful was EMT courses of recertification.	
12 had responded, and that's just over a seventy		12	And finally, the last section	
13 percent response rate, which is excellent. Thank			about diversity and inclusion that was added in	
14 you again if any of you in the room participated			2021, we asked about partnerships with	
15 in that survey, we very much appreciate it. And			communities and almost half of responding	
16 the needs assessment report has been published,			agencies indicated that they partner with	
17 and we are all here today to learn a bit more.			community groups. Almost half of responding	
18 One note about the highlights we present today,			agencies indicated that they worked to attract	
19 as I said, there's much more in the report, but			applicants from diverse backgrounds. Twenty-two	
20 also in this PowerPoint I have rounded some of			percent of agencies reported that they work with	
21 the percentages just for ease of reading, so			guidance counselors and technical schools to	
22 somewhere it might say 25 percent in the report			develop programs for young people of color and/or	
23 you will read later it might say 24.9.			young women. And finally, 40 percent of	
24 All right, some of the new			respondents indicated that diversity or	
25 questions that were added for 2021, added some			inclusivity training was provided by their	
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1 areas such as the languages spoken by personnel		1	agency, which is different from the culture	
2 I'm these agencies. Some of those answers			competency training, so that's something to maybe	
3 included English of course, but also Spanish,			chew on a little bit more about those two	
4 French, Arabic, and other languages. The age			different types of training.	
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2	responding bill patients for services, and eighty		There are other reasons that there was difficulty	
3	percent use an outside billing agency for this		covering shifts, and we will get to those reasons	
4	purpose. And half of the agencies that responded	4	in just a few slides. All right, the top five	
5	conduct fundraising campaigns, and the minimum	5	needs as identified in the 2021 needs assessment	
6	staffing requirements have not changed. So that	6	are personnel, which includes recruitment and	
7	gives you an idea of what has not changed, here	7	retention, as well as responding to the impacts	
8	is what has changed in a statistically	8	of Covid-19, and the second area is training and	
9	significant way: The likelihood of agencies	9	upgrading personnel. Due to our time today, we	
10	having a website has decreased, which I found	10	are going to focus on just those two, but if you	
11	interesting.	11	have questions on the other areas, we're happy to	
12	In 2012, 59 percent of responding	12	answer, and they're also listed in detail in the	
13	agencies had a website, but in 2021 it was only	13	report.	
14	32 percent. Second area, number of cases	14	All right, in terms of personnel,	
15	transferred to other providers has increased. So	15	looking at the needs assessment, we saw over and	
16	the number of calls they responded to did not	16	over again not only the top five, but the top	
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	cases being transferred to other providers than	18	paramedics, the areas of greatest need are also	
19	it was in 2012. So the same, about the same	19	EMT's and paramedics, we saw that over and over	
20	amount of agencies responded that they had	20	again in the survey responses. Of the agencies	
21	recruitment and retention programs, but more of	21	that had a retention program, like I said	
	those programs have recruitment or retention	22	earlier, they are hiring more program	
	coordinators, so more agencies have hired someone	23	coordinators, and that increased from 48 percent	
	who, one of their main responsibilities is this	24	to 84 percent. However, of the agencies that,	
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	staff are all volunteer, and it was just more		human resource management, and financial	
	difficult to get them to come out over the last		management. So one thing I noticed that there	
	year or so, staff shortage, and staff burnout,		seemed to be a personnel and we need more staff,	
	illness including Covid-19 and quarantine, and		we need to be able to cover shifts, but the human	
	finally, other jobs. So we saw an increase in		resource management training they are getting	
	those areas between 2012 and 2021 on why it was		isn't helpful, so maybe that's an area to look	
	difficult for agencies to cover shifts.		into around recruitment and retention	
9	All right, Covid-19 negative		specifically.	
	impacts on the agency. Two-thirds of responding	10	All right, the way agencies	
	agencies reported it impacted their members or	11	reported their preferred way of providing	
	impacted their recruitment, two-thirds reported		training, first hands-on training, followed by	
	difficult covering shifts. PPE accessibility was		classroom training. Online training and video	
	difficult, a little over half reported it			
	impacted retention. Just eight percent of			
	responding agencies indicated they were not		travel, willing to travel thirty minutes and even	
	impacted by Covid-19, so this probably is not a	17	up to an hour one way, but beyond that personnel	
	tremendous surprise to many of you.	I .	were not willing to travel past that for	
19	All right, the way some of the		training.	
20	agencies responded, which was providing	20	We talked about language and	
	additional benefits to their staff. While over	21	communication barriers earlier, like we said,	
22	half of them did not provide any of these extra	22	thirty percent of agencies responded having that	
	benefits, some agencies provided paid time off,	23		
	family and medical leave, other benefits such as	24	listed Spanish as the biggest language barrier,	
	bonuses, hazard pay, and just a few provided	25	and 34 percent of the responding agencies	
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2	you have now, or we can pass around some business	2	If there are questions regarding	
3	cards and you can email us later if you think	3	the Board of Health or its activities, please let	
4	about it. Thank you.	4	me know. Best wishes for a productive meeting	
5	(WHEREUPON, applause.)	5	today. Gary Critzer.	
6	MS. LYONS: I'm sure many of you	6	CHAIR DILLARD: Okay, thank you,	
7	would like to look through the report and the	7		
	results, this presentation as well as the final	8	Ferguson.	
9		9	MR. R. J. FERGUSON: Just give me	
10	will be posted on the OEMS website next week.	10	one second, sir. Okay, the Nominating Committee	
11	MR. HARRELL: All right, thank you	11	made a recommendation from the following	
12	Hannah, and thank you to the VCU's Performance	12	individuals from the following positions.	
13	Management Group as well. So Gary, that is all I	13	REPORTER: Excuse me, sorry. Who	
14	have, if there are no questions for me.	14	is speaking?	
15	MR. BROWN: Okay, thanks Adam.	15	MR. R. J. FERGUSON: Jason	
16	Mr. Chair, that concludes the OEMS report.	16	Ferguson.	
17	CHAIR DILLARD: All right, thank	17	REPORTER: Thank you.	
	you Gary. Assistant Attorney General Krista		(WHEREUPON, a phone rang.)	
	Samuels?	19	REPORTER: Oh Lord.	
20	MS. SAMUELS: I don't have	20	(WHEREUPON, phone stopped.)	
	anything to report at this time.	21	REPORTER: My apologies.	
22	CHAIR DILLARD: All right, thank	22	MR. R. J. FERGUSON: May they rest	
	you. State Board of Health EMS representative			
	Perry Critzer could not be with us today, so Gary	23	in peace. The, because that's a bad sign.	
	Brown is going to provide that report.		BOARD MEMBER: Only at your own funeral.	
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1	CHAIR DILLARD: All right, thank	1	Deputy Commissioner, to intervene and to look	
	you Jason. So you have the slate of officers		into the possibility of returning to pre-SBS,	
	recommended by the Nominating Committee, are		which is the Shared Business Services staffing	
4			and responsibilities.	
5		5	So that's a recommendation from	
6	ATTENDEES: (No audible response.)	6	the Executive Committee, so we don't need a	
7			second, so I want to open the floor up for any	
8	nominations?	8	questions or comments that you all may have on	
9	ATTENDEES: (No audible response.)	9	this topic. Does anybody have anything?	
10		10	ATTENDEES: (No audible response.)	
11		11	CHAIR DILLARD: All right, hearing	
12	report from the Nominating Committee.	12	none	
13		13	MR. NORVILLE: Mr. Chair, I'm	
14		14	sorry.	
15	CHAIR DILLARD: All right, we have	15	CHAIR DILLARD: Yes sir, Dan?	
16	-	16	MR. NORVILLE: We've had in the	
17	ATTENDEES: (No audible response.)	17	past, and anecdotally there are times when we	
18		18	just really don't understand the accounting	
19		19	processes in SBS, and when it was in-house it was	
20		20	good oversight, there was good direction, and	
21	ATTENDEES: Aye.	21	there was good accountability. And I don't	
22	CHAIR DILLARD: Any opposed, same	22	believe we've had that personally when you look	
23	sign.	23	at the Shared Business Services we have had, I	
24	-	24	have not been real comfortable with that, so	
25	CHAIR DILLARD: The motion	25	that's why I strongly recommend that we note	
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	carries. Thank you, Jason.	I .	that.	
2	57	2	CHAIR DILLARD: All right, thank	
3	Committee reports, first off is the Executive		you Dan. Any other comments? J. C. Bolling?	
4	, ,	4	MR. BOLLING: Mr. Chairman, I will	
	appointed two workgroups of the Office of EMS to	5	just echo some of the comments I made to the	
	work with staff and bring back recommendations to	L _	Executive Committee, there seems to be a big	
8	OEMS, and then from OEMS back to the EMS Advisory Board. One group will be evaluating our bylaws,	7 8	disconnect with the Shared Business Services.	
9	and also insuring we have corrections with any		Pooling all the efforts to handle similar tasks from every part of the Commonwealth under one	
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10	Gary Samuels. The other group is the composition	10	umbrella on paper looks great, and it was an endeavor that probably needed to be tried. I	
12		12	think if we stop and we start looking at the	
13		13	history of how this has gone, it has been a	
14		14	disaster and an embarrassment to the	
15		15	Commonwealth. OEMS has a direct track record of	
16		16	being able to manage the finances in a timely	
17	We also discussed financial	17	fashion, and that is missing at this moment. And	
18	reimbursements yesterday. As Chair of the	18	there are some horror stories, and it's not just	
19	Advisory Board, I have been approached by some of	19	problems that we have seen with OEMS on the,	
20	the Board Members expressing difficulties about	20	through the Shared Business Services, talking to	
21	getting reimbursed, and some people even stating	21	some of the folks from prior programs, there's	
22		22	been some nightmares, I've heard some nightmares	
23	had a good discussion on that. And the Executive	23	through the community college system. The SBS	
24	Committee has voted to bring back to the Advisory	24	system is broke, and I think we need to bring	
25	Board a recommendation to ask Bob Hicks, the	25	back the services back under the Office of OEMS.	
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1 CHAIR DILLARD: All right, thank	1	essential service. So they are going to look at	
2 you J. C., any other comments?		that, the good, the bad, and everything like	
3 ATTENDEES: (No audible response.)		that. We reviewed all of the current legislation	
4 CHAIR DILLARD: All right, hearing	4	that was being followed by the office, as Scott	
5 none, we will go ahead and vote. All in favor of		had discussed earlier. And I think that's all we	
6 the motion before you, signify by saying aye.	6	got time for today, it's been a pretty busy	
7 ATTENDEES: Aye.	7	morning. So thank you.	
8 CHAIR DILLARD: Any opposed, same	8	CHAIR DILLARD: All right, great.	
9 sign.	9	Thank you Gary, and thank you Dan.	
10 ATTENDEES: (No audible response.)	10	Infrastructure Committee Coordinator, Eddie	
11 CHAIR DILLARD: The motion carries	11	Ferguson.	
12 unanimously. Thank you. The final item from the	12	MR. E. FERGUSON: Good morning,	
13 Executive Committee, we did approve five CISM	13	sir, just a couple of things. The Transportation	
14 teams for accreditation, I want to announce those	14	Committee hasn't met since the last EMS	
15 five: The Bradford Police Department Peer	15	Governor's Budget Board meeting, we are due to	
16 Support, York Poquoson Sheriff CISM Team,		meet on April the 5th to review grants. And also	
17 Poquoson Peer Support Team, Newport News Police &	17	I had mentioned yesterday, and I just want to	
18 Fire CISM Team, and the Prince William County	18	mention it for the full Board, that I have been	
19 Sheriff's Office Peer Support Team. That	19	contacted by stakeholders to possibly take a	
20 concludes the Executive Committee report, and	20	fresh look/revisit the ambulance remount	
21 we'll move on to the Financial Assistance Review	21	standards, chassis standards, and see if there	
22 Committee. That committee met yesterday, and we	22	was any possibility of bringing those into modern	
23 reviewed application design, special initiatives,	23	day times from the standpoint of what we're faced	
24 and did a State EMS plan update. Also want to	24	as an industry with the availability of vehicles	
25 remind everybody that the spring 2022 Rescue	25	and the cost of inflation, and all the things it	
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1 Squad Assistance Fund grant cycle is currently	1	takes to get an ambulance that's being remounted	
2 open, and that will close next week on March the	2	up to the triple pick specs. Possibly we may be	
3 15th. And our next meeting will be on May the	3	found to follow that by regulations, and we'll	
4 5th here at the Embassy Suites. Administrator	4	take a look at that when the Committee meets as	
5 Coordinator, Gary Samuels.	5	of April the 4th. If anyone has any thoughts on	
6 MR. SAMUELS: Yes, I'll refer to	6	that, I would be curious to know what they might	
7 Dan first, Dan Norville with the rules and regs.	7	be.	
8 MR. NORVILLE: With Covid and	8	In addition to that, I'd like to	
9 everything we have had some issues trying to get	9	welcome a couple of new Committee Members, Mr.	
10 together. We are studying in the Project 5100,	10	Sonny Saxton to the Communications Committee, and	
11 we continue to review the proposed regulations,	11	Mr. Joseph Williams to the Emergency Management	
12 and we are still waiting on a couple workgroups,		Committee. So I realize that both of them have	
13 Medical, Air Medical, and Integrative Health to	13	just taken these committees over, but certainly	
14 get us some input back, so that we can	14		
15 incorporate those in there. So we're working on	15	5	
16 a product as quick as we can. Any Member of the	16		
147 O and the second second second second second second second	1 4 -	CHAIR DILLARD: All right, thank	
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1 you.	1 assist those areas that may have limitations to	
2 MR. WILLIAMS: We'll be working on	2 clinical sites. And we kind of went off protocol	
3 getting that Committee established and getting	3 for this meeting, we had twelve educators that	
	4 attended in the public, we allowed them to	
4 some work done, and some information to pass back	-	
5 on to you guys, further use this, so bear with me	5 5	
6 while I work through some bugs and try to figure	6 waiting for public comment, and there was a7 consensus with that.	
7 things out, and come back with something positive		
8 and directive to you guys. Thank you.		
9 CHAIR DILLARD: All right, and	9 need with as national registry removes the	
10 well thank you both for stepping up and agreeing	10 psychomotor testing for ALS levels, and	
11 to serve. Professional Development Coordinator,	11 accredited programs in Virginia did not have to	
12 Jason Ferguson.	12 take the psychomotor exam for EMT levels, and no	
13 MR. R. J. FERGUSON: Thank you,	13 one has taken the psychomotor exam at the EMT	
14 Mr. Chair, I'm going to start from the bottom.	14 level during Covid. The Committee voted to	
15 So, Provider Health & Safety did not meet, but we	15 remove CTS testing requirements for EMT as well,	
16 do have a new coordinator there, Lisa Simba, so	16 and for the competency-based form that had been	
17 welcome to her. Do you have anything you would	17 used formerly the TR-90-A was used, it was very	
18 like to say, Lisa?	18 cumbersome, and in response to Covid, the TR-999	
19 MS. SIMBA: No, not yet.	19 was introduced from the Office to ease this	
20 MR. R. J. FERGUSON: For Workforce	20 process. And the group voted to use the	
21 Development, Valerie Quick.	21 competency-based form to continue validation of	
22 VICE CHAIR QUICK: Yes, we met	22 these individuals in lieu of psychomotor testing.	
23 yesterday, March 10th at 10:30 a.m. We had no	23 And that also, the motion passed. And with that,	
24 actionable items. The Committee continues to	24 the discussion came up that as far as competency	
25 support the EMS Officer 1 Programming standards	25 itself from the education programs, to insure	
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1 of excellence, agency designation, and various	1 that we promote good field readiness, so to	
2 recruitment and retention initiatives.	2 bridge some of those gaps from when individuals	
3 Obviously, the results of the needs assessment	3 leave a program and they are at entry level	
4 survey will need to be analyzed when we look at	4 competency to the agencies, and make sure through	
5 really trying to promote future initiatives,	5 the Medical Directors and through the agencies,	
6 especially in recruitment and retention, since	6 that they are deemed field ready.	
7 that is a really high need. There was a very	7 That information was, and we also,	
8 robust discussion from the Committee and the	8 by the way, established two workgroups, one to	
9 public participants about the needs for targeted	9 look at that competency-based form to insure that	
10 marketing for recruitment and retention of new	10 everything was there, and a second workgroup to	
11 and really diverse people for both career and	11 look at, we had a workgroup that was looking at	
12 volunteer agencies. And we're going to be	12 psychomotor testing revisions, so we decided to	
13 exploring that through a workgroup so that we can	13 kind of take that group and use them to maybe	
14 better target that and explore that kind of more	14 incorporate some of those efforts in the use of	
15 centralized. That's it.	15 simulated patients to satisfy some of those	
16 MR. R. J. FERGUSON: Okay, for	16 clinical requirements. And that information was	
17 Training & Certification. We had a special	17 sent up to Medical Direction for endorsement.	
18 meeting on Friday, November the 12th, and the	18 was unable to attend MDC that day due to illness,	
19 purpose of that meeting was to look at the new	19 so it is my understanding that Medical Direction	
20 education standards, and specifically to the EMT	20 has sent that back to TCC for further work and	
21 education programs. And during that meeting, in	21 further review.	
22 reference to the clinical requirements for EMT,	22 So the two workgroups are	
23 the Committee voted to maintain the current ten	23 continuing to work on that and we hope to have	
24 patient contacts, five of which would have to be	24 something to present to them by the next meeting,	
25 live patients, and five could be simulated, to	25 and to present to this Board at our next meeting.	



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1 Our, we, our January meeting was cancelled, and	1 DR. YEE: I believe it's April
2 the April 6th meeting has been moved to March the	2 7th? April 7th.
3 30th at 10:30 a.m. here at Embassy Suites, and	3 MS. ADAMS: April 7th, thank you.
4 that concludes my report.	4 DR. YEE: At 10:30. 10:30?
5 CHAIR DILLARD: All right, thank	5 BOARD MEMBER: 10:30 here.
6 you Jason. Patient Care Coordinator, Dr. Yee?	6 MS. ADAMS: Okay, because I know
7 DR. YEE: I have no report as of	7 some people who have expressed an interest in
8 the Care Coordinator, but for Medical Direction	8 crew configurations and schedules, so, thank you.
9 we have one action item, it's listed in Appendix	9 CHAIR DILLARD: Dr. Yee, what's
10 E, it has the changes to the scope of practice,	10 Medevac or EMS For Children, want to report on
11 which consists of the red dots, which indicate	11 anything?
12 that the agencies and the Medical Director have,	12 DR. YEE: Yes, I defer to those
13 should be providing additional training for those	13 Committee Chairs.
14 competencies.	14 CHAIR DILLARD: Okay. All right,
15 CHAIR DILLARD: Okay, so that's a	15 Medevac Committee, Victoria Smith?
16 recommendation from the Committee?	16 MR. BROWN: Kevin, I just got an
17 DR. YEE: Yes sir.	17 email from Tory, and she is out due to sickness.
18 CHAIR DILLARD: Okay, so that does	18 They did meet yesterday but I don't have a
19 not require a second, so I will open the floor up	19 report.
20 for discussion on the motion to approve the	20 CHAIR DILLARD: All right, thank
21 changes to the scope of practice that have been	21 you. EMS For Children, Dr. McLaughlin?
22 submitted.	22 DR. MCLAUGHLIN: Thanks. We have
23 ATTENDEES: (No audible response.)	23 no action items today, but several things to
24 CHAIR DILLARD: All right, hearing	24 report. We held a special meeting back on
25 no questions, all in favor of the changes to the	25 January 6th and we met again yesterday. First
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1	Trauma Committee reports?	1	designation process. Site visits are slated to	
2	ATTENDEES: (No audible response.)	2	happen within the next couple of months.	
3	CHAIR DILLARD: All right. Oh,	3	The Councils, along with staff	
4	okay.	4	from the Office of EMS held a retreat this week	
5	ATTENDEE: The TAG Committee met	5	at their office to discuss the upcoming changes	
6	on	6	to the MOU's, although lunch was delicious I have	
7	CHAIR DILLARD: Can you come up to	7	to say, to discuss upcoming changes to the MOU's	
8	one of the microphones, please?	8	from each of the eleven councils used to provide	
9	ATTENDEE: The TAG Committee met	9	deliverable items throughout the year and to	
10	one month ago, and basically gave the Trauma	10	discuss future projects. This was also an	
11	Program Manager's group who met a month ago as	11	opportunity for the Directors to meet with all	
12	well. They continue to meet monthly, the Trauma	12	the Division Directors of OEMS to ask questions	
13	Program Manager's group, their major task at this	13	and clarify what they will be looking for within	
14	point is revising the trauma program designation	14	their respective programs within the new MOU's.	
15	manual. We will resume TAG and all of the other	15	We all feel as if the changes will be extremely	
16	committees in May, and Prehospital met yesterday	16	positive, and will better reflect the work being	
17	as well. The other committees did not meet.	17	,	
18	CHAIR DILLARD: All right, thank	18	items that we all do within the MOU's, but then	
19	you for that report. Okay, next will be the	19	within each region there are other items that are	
20	regional EMS Council's Executive Director's	20	provided outside the MOU's based on either our	
21	report, so Terry McLaurin? So Terry welcome,	21	local providers, agencies, and stakeholders.	
22	Tracey, I'm sorry, Tracey, yes. So welcome.	22	In the next few weeks, the	
23	MS. MCLAURIN: That's okay.	23	Directors will be collaborating on a document	
24	CHAIR DILLARD: We want to	24	that we can all work from, so that each of us can	
25	congratulate you on the election and of course we	25	submit our regional work plans to the Office of	
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1	want to thank Greg Woods for his years of	1	EMS in the next few months. Roughly two to three	
2	service, serving in that position.	2	years ago, the councils actually identified over	
3	MS. MCLAURIN: Thank you, good	3	a hundred and fifty items that are being provided	
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2	CHAIR DILLARD: All right, hearing	2	available.	
3	none, do we have any unfinished business to be	3	MR. BROWN: And lunch will be	
4	addressed today?	4	available if we, I think that's at 12:00 noon, so	
5	ATTENDEES: (No audible response.)	5	we'll get started on the orientation and then we	
6	CHAIR DILLARD: All right, any new	6	can certainly break and Members can go get their	
7	business?	7	food and bring it back in here, and we'll	
8	MR. E. FERGUSON: Mr. Chair, Eddie	8	continue so we can get through the orientation	
9	Ferguson, I have one thing for the Board, just a	9	and you could hit the road pretty quickly.	
10	recognition actually, I would like to recognize	10	CHAIR DILLARD: All right, great.	
	the Office of EMS Division of Accreditation,		Any other new business?	
	Certification & Education for what they did at	12	ATTENDEES: (No audible response.)	
	the Virginia Beach a few weeks ago at the	13	CHAIR DILLARD: All right, hearing	
	Virginia Fire & Rescue Conference that is put on		none, our next meeting is going to be on Friday,	
	by the Virginia Fire Chiefs Association. Over		May the 6th, and at this time we will adjourn the	
	four thousand, actually four thousand and twenty- five EMSC credits were awarded at that		meeting. Thank you for attending.	
	conference. I know I speak for the Virginia Fire		(WHEREUPON, the meeting of the Virginia	
	Chiefs Association as well as VAGEMSA, who		Department of Health/State Emergency Medical	
	supports the conference with CE's, that the		Services Advisory Board was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.)	
	Office of EMS does all of the work with that and	21	a.m.,	
	manages all those CE credits, with over four	22		
	hundred entries in CE for Virginia EMS providers	23		
	that attended, so thank you very much for doing a	24		
25	great job again, this is not the first time.	25		
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1	CHAIR DILLARD: Any other new	1	CAPTION	
2	business?	2		
3	ATTENDEES: (No audible response.)	3	The foregoing matter was taken on the date, and at	
4	CHAIR DILLARD: We do have a new	4	the time and place set out on the title page hereof.	
5	Council that's joined as a regional office with	5		
6	the Office of EMS, and that's the Southwest EMS		It was requested that the matter be taken by the	
	Council, they just recently signed their		reporter and that the same be reduced to typewritten	
	agreement to become the fourth regional office,		form.	
	so President J. C. Bolling is here and I didn't	9		
	know if you wanted to make a comment or anything.	10		
11	MR. BOLLING: I just want to say	11		
	that we're very excited to get to move forward	13		
	hand in hand with OEMS. Everything positive, the main question would be why did you we not explore	14		
	this decades ago?	15		
16	CHAIR DILLARD: All right, thank	16		
	you. Anything you want to say about the	17		
	orientation?	18		
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