

**Joint Committee of
Emergency Medical Services
in Trumbull County**



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The May, 2008 Board Meeting for the Joint Committee of Emergency Medical Services in Trumbull County was held at 11:30 on 5/29/2008 at Abruzzi's 422 Restaurant.

Voting Members present were as follows:

- 1) **Chairman – Dr. Spirtos**
- 2) **Co Chairman – none**
- 3) **TMH REPRESENTATIVE – Robert Brooks**
- 4) **Education REPRESENTATIVE – none**
- 1) **FIRE CHIEF – Roger French**
- 2) **PRIVATE SERVICE – Jack Popodak**
- 3) **FIRE BASIC – Dale Briggs**
- 4) **FIRE INTERMEDIATE – none**
- 5) **FIRE MEDIC – John Hickey**
- 6) **PRIVATE BASIC – none**
- 7) **PRIVATE INTERMEDIATE – David Woodford**
- 8) **PRIVATE MEDIC – Tom Reed**
- 9) **First Responder – none**

ALTERNATE MEMBERS PRESENT WERE:

George Snyder, Ronnie Conner

GUESTS PRESENT:

Shannon Brown

I. MINUTES

Note corrected spelling necessary to April minutes: NIMMS should be NIMS under III.-C.-4
Motion to accept corrected April minutes by David Woodford; second by George Snyder.
Motions approved with no opposition.

II. TREASURERS REPORT

No Report

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. 6.02 Budget & Finance – Dale
 - i. Planning, Development & Fund Raising –
 - a. Golf outing - 9/5/08. – Rudy Harsany: It was mentioned that Rudy should have more information soon
 - b. Letters of appreciation, '07 golf outing sponsors – Ken Laughlin: no report
- B. 6.03 Code of Regulations – Ken Laughlin – no report

- i. Appointed positions five meeting rule – Ken Laughlin
- ii. 6.04 Elections – none
- iii. Credentialing – none
- C. 6.05 Quality Assurance Committee
 - i. Continuing Education – George Snyder
 - a. CE quarterly meetings: 9/3/08 Spinal Immobilization class will be taught by Dr. Phipps.
 - b. Sports medicine training in August. - George Snyder
George talked to Dr. Jones who will probably be able to do the class. The plan is to have trainers from area football teams to come in as well.
 - c. George mentioned that there is a patient in the area that has an LVAD (a type of assisted balloon pump device for cardiac problems. He is considering having someone come in for the 4th quarter CE training to teach on it.
 - ii. Seminar Committee – Rob Brooks
 - a. Fall Cardiac symposium – nothing as of yet. It will probably be in October
 - iii. CQI – Dr. Sudimack / Rob Brooks
 - a. Monthly attention concerns. - none
 - iv. Disciplinary Committee: none
- D. 6.06 Protocol Committee – George Snyder
 - i. General
 - a. Protocols have been ordered from other Medical Controls
 - b. Tests are being worked on
 - ii. Protocol completions – Fred Stosik – David McGregor / Basic – NF Fire.
Roger French made a motion to grant the above named individuals protocol with the JCEMS. John Hickey seconded the motion. Motion passed with no opposition.
- E. 6.07 Special Committees
 - i. Legal & Legislative – none
 - ii. Run Sheets - none
 - iii. Exchange committee - none
 - iv. Web page - none

IV. Informational reports

- A. State EMS Board update –.The Ohio committee from the EMS board trauma program states that the state is only at about a 30% approval rate. The majority of that is from the SE section of the state, but it is a state wide and nation wide problem. The trauma bill has not been as effectively used as it needs to be and needs worked on.
- B. RPAB –
 - a. There will be a meeting on June 9, noon at St. E’s
 - b. There is continuing discussion concerning Akron Children’s hospital, St. E’s and Beehly Ped’s Center. The director of the children’s ER at St. E’s talked to Dr. Spirtos about it and said it is still “up in the air”; that he will keep Dr. Spirtos informed.
- C. Ohio Medical Transportation Board – none

V. Old Business –

- A. There were about 40 people who attended the awards dinner. It was a nice evening
- B. Jack Popodak would like to thank Assistant Chief Thomas for being concerned enough to note that he was missing at the last meeting.

- C. The TMH accreditation TPA checklist is in process of looking at revisions of the 12-lead application. There are several departments in TC who are using the Phillips monitor instead of the Phiso and TMH is addressing the telemetry challenges
- D. There will be a STEMI drill coming up. TMH would like to have several possibly every month or every other month. It will include a mannequin set up somewhere. The responding units will treat it as a patient with full STEMI treatment. Anyone interested in participating in the STEMI drill should contact George Snyder
- E. Drug box tags – The nurse manager said that they are eliminating the use of red seals, so only yellow ones will be available
- F. There will probably be a board meeting in June. All sub-committees should be sure to continue their work. If the June meeting needs to be cancelled, all will be notified. We will not have a meeting in July unless a special one is needed and will be called for. We will meet in August.

VI. New Business –

- A. Bristol FD is looking for part time FF / Medics
- B. Action is looking for part time Medics
- C. Next month there will be an ITLS course on June 25,26. Both days will be the entire ITLS course. 6/26 will be a refresher only

Minutes recorded by

Secretary: Dale Briggs

Chairman: Ted Spirtos