

LCEMS POLICY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
May 2, 2018

Members Present:

Chief Barry Cousino
Dr. Chris Goliver
Chief Brandon Loboschefski
Chief Luis Santiago
Chief Mike Ramm
Dennis Cole
David Lindstrom, M.D.

Absent:

Mayor Michael Sefarian
Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz
Mayor Richard Carr
Trustee _____
Trustee John Jenewine
Chief Kevin Bernhard
Megan Vahey-Casier
Chief Josh Hartbarger
Mayor Donald Atkinson
Chief Paul Mullen

Attendees:

Brent Parquette
Ralph Shearn
Vicki Malinoski
Aislin Dennis
Chief Patrick Wambo
Deputy Chief Orlando Gonzalez
Captain Mark Benadum
Chief Tony Parasiliti
Deputy Chief Jim Dusseau
Melissa Amonette
Don Murray
Kevin Barber
Dr. Tom Boggs
Magy Bejide, D.O.

Representing:

Springfield Twp. Fire Department
Hospital Council
Maumee Fire Department
Toledo Fire Dept.
Sylvania Twp. Fire Department
Lucas County Emergency Services Director
LCEMS Medical Director

City of Oregon, CEO Mayor
City of Toledo, CEO Mayor
City of Maumee
Springfield Twp. Trustee
Sylvania Twp. Trustee
Lucas County Fire Chief's Association
County Administrator
Whitehouse Fire
Village of Whitehouse
Oregon Fire Department

LCEMS QA/QI
LC Communications Manager
Administrative Specialist
CE Program Administrator
Waterville Fire
Toledo Fire EMS Bureau
Toledo Fire EMS Bureau
Jerusalem Twp. Fire Dept.
Maumee Fire
NWO Consortium, JTFD
Jerusalem Twp. Fire Dept.
MSVMC EM Resident
St. Luke's Hospital
Mercy St. Vincent

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chief Cousino at 8:33 a.m.

Minute Approval

The minutes from the January 3, 2018 meeting were distributed to review. A motion was made by Chief Santiago and to approve the minutes which was seconded by Chief Ramm. Minutes approved as written.

Committee Reports

Paramedic Committee

Chief Ramm reported on the January 8th and March 12th meetings.

Medical Committee

Chief Cousino reported on the February 5th meeting and Dr. Lindstrom reported on the April 12th meeting.

CE Update

Brent reported for a couple of months, CE had outside speakers. April's topic was on human trafficking as well as child and geriatric abuse and neglect. It gave insight on how the paramedics can be affected when taking care of these types of patients. In May, the Stroke protocol and RACE scoring will be touched on as well as update on policies and procedures and alternative dosing and drug exchange.

Dr. Lindstrom reported we have been told by Bound Tree of the back orders will not be accepting any orders for Morphine, Dilaudid and Fentanyl until August 2019. We have Fentanyl and will be using it for pain management.

Chief Cousino asked about expired medications. Dr. Lindstrom reported extensions are given by the Feds and state. We do have some expired meds and will keep until we know if we can use them or have to destroy them.

Brent reported he just attended the State Board Medical Committee and at that meeting it was discussed alternatives for pain management and signed off by Dr. Cunningham. Options are out there and once we can't get the ones we use.

State Board of Pharmacy

Dr. Lindstrom reported several fire departments have had inspections from the State Board of Pharmacy. There is a new inspector, Amber. Upon an inspection should thought medication were co-mingling and since then that has been changed. We have met with Amber and her supervisor, a registered pharmacist, Mark Kelly. Also, on an inspection, Amber noticed the medication pouch could be manipulated to be able to get medication out because the weaving was incorrect. We are moving to small pelican cases for the meds.

Dr. Lindstrom reported we are now awaiting a letter from the Board of Pharmacy for clarification of items brought up and discussed.

Dennis reported on ALS first responder drugs and how they are kept and how they are under the auspices of the fire department and separate run reports for when the medications are used.

ESO – ePCR – Positive ID

Brent reported this is a mechanism by which a paramedic who administers a drug, name and strength of the drug administered, date of administration, time and amount. Brent reported we are currently holding off until we get clarification from the State to make sure we have all the answers first. Brent also mentioned Toledo Fire has already implemented the Positive ID.

Dennis reported the State wants us to keep track and monitor oxygen used with lot numbers.

It was also reported there can be multiple licenses at one location.

EMS Billing

Vicki reported April brought in \$290,916.39 and year to date is \$1,240,104.75. Vicki also reported we are \$195,000 above from last year at this time.

Dennis reported our billing company Change HealthCare is trying to work with Promedica, but Promedica is not willing to sign a BAA with them. In the meantime we are still collecting face sheets.

Open Discussion

Community Para Medicine – Chief Cousino inquired as to the status of Community Medicine Toledo Fire is trying to implement. Chief Santiago there are legal road blocks. Diagnostics done in the field, kick back logs and question of medical direction at the hospital. Chief Santiago said it's going to happen, trying to pursue partnerships.

Ottawa County – Chief Cousino reported Ottawa County is facing issues with combining a Police levy and complicating it with fire levy and funding.

Life Squad Cancellation Rate – Dr. Lindstrom reported one of the things from the last meeting discussed is figuring out how to reduce the life squad cancellation rate. Dr. Lindstrom said he wants to proceed with the ALS response in Dispatch. Initially we want to start with Sylvania, Springfield and Toledo. We need to look at this process and how to commit to engines being ALS staffed.

Chief Santiago said they are ready as well and thinks this is a great idea.

Chief Ramm and Chief Cousino said they are ready to move forward.

It was reported there is training that needs to be done in Dispatch and how it will be communicated if the engines are ALS or not.

Adjournment

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 a.m. The next scheduled meeting is July 11, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.