

PARAMEDIC COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
March 13, 2023

Members Present:

Chief Mike Ramm
Kirk Keane
Tammy Ohrt
Zak Reed
Greg Szumigala
Brandon Donahue
Chief Joshua Hartbarger
Rich Ellett
Nick Sauber, M.D.
Tim Zwyer, M.D.
Steve Zohn, M.D.
Andrea Donahue
Derek Francis
James Hancock
Emily Medica
Robert DeLeon
Kristie Gallagher
Jonathon Ziehr
Mark Briggs
Shawn Wittkop
Ralph Shearn
Sean Powers
Kimberly Campbell
Julia Benefield
David Johnson

Staff:

Dennis Cole
David Lindstrom, M.D.
Schuyler Beckwith
Brent Parquette

Absent:

Toledo Fire – L.S. 3
Toledo Fire – L.S. 5
Oregon Fire

Representing:

Sylvania Twp. Fire Department
Toledo Fire & Rescue
Toledo Fire & Rescue
Toledo Fire & Rescue
Toledo Fire & Rescue
Whitehouse – LS 9 - Zoom
Whitehouse Fire - Zoom
Maumee Fire – LS 7
Mercy / TFRD
ProMedica - Zoom
NWOEMS / Mercy - Zoom
ProMedica - Zoom
Monclova Fire – Zoom
ProMedica Maumee? – Zoom
Mercy - Zoom
Mercy - Zoom
ProMedica – Zoom
Springfield Twp/LCEMS
Toledo Fire/LCEMS
Sylvania Twp. Fire Dept / LCEMS – Zoom
RCOG
Mercy Health Life Flight Network
ProMedica Maumee - Zoom
UTMC - Zoom
Zoom

LCEMS
LCEMS Medical Director - Zoom
LCEMS
LCEMS

Call to Order

Chief Ramm called the meeting to order at 9am.

Minute Approval

The minutes from the January 9 meeting were distributed for review.

Old Business

Chief Ramm said they are still having conversations with fire chiefs about future of EMS. Dennis said Matt Heyrman is still drafting contract language so will let folks know when that is presented.

Chief Ramm has been in Columbus for Ohio Fire Chiefs legislative group. He did get some information on HB509. He will make sure Sky gets notes from that meeting about the changes the fire chiefs want. The legislation retracts changes for paramedic education.

Rich Ellet asked if the Perrysburg hospital is considered a standalone or a hospital. Rich Ellet says they got it as a standalone about a week ago. Dr. Lindstrom said it is treated as a hospital. Rich said it was probably just an error. Ralph said to let him know when something like that happens so they can address it.

ACLS moved from September to May. Having issues with supplies in the field being expired. Jurisdictions need to keep up on checking expiration dates regularly so we do not run out of stock trying to fill large requests. Dr. Lindstrom was asked if some of the expired stock is still usable. He said it depends case by case and whether it was extended. We want to honor the expiration dates.

New Business

Zak Reed said that today crews are having an issue with CAD and ESO. Dennis said Dave Reamey is working with ESO on it. No estimated time. Direction to crews in meantime is to keep info in case it does not upload, manually enter info and continue to lock runs.

Dr. Lindstrom discussed the closing of St Lukes. Anesthesia discontinues April 15, and the hospital closing May 15. No word what services may or may not continue. Working on details about where to go for resupply – closest is UTM. Could we put the locker at Maumee Fire? Dr. Sauber said could potentially put it at Perrysburg. Could we leave it at St Lukes or would it be too out of the way? Would make more sense if it were at a place where they are transporting. ProMedica Maumee has offered space – James Hancock said. Could allocated space for lockers. Would have to look to see if there is space for vending machines – is there a licensing issue? Need measurements about space needed – will connect James Hancock and Craig.

Rich Ellett said MDT shuts off when start rig almost every time. Means CAD is down every time they start the rig. Need to let Mike Motter so he can have it checked. Using old tablets and they do not have batteries in them. Looking into trying to replace those so there is a battery that carries them over. He says he is meeting resistance from Mike, he is telling Rich it is a glitch in

the system. Dennis will talk to Mike about it, LS 7 and LS 2 and LS 10 was having same issue. Need to hook it up to a dedicated battery.

Jon Z asked about when Dr. Lindstrom will start signing off on national registry starting. They are due at the end of the month. He says he will do them shortly.

Combining Medical Committee and Policy Board meetings to same day. Sky will send out notice Thursday to both lists. Chief Ramm will send Sky notes from Chiefs meeting in Columbus.

Motter asked folks to sign the book in the Annex when life squad comes in after hours.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:27am.

The next scheduled meeting is Monday, May 8, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., in person with virtual as an option.