

Maine EMS Education Committee Minutes  
 August 8, 2007

**Present:** Dan Batsie (Chair), Cheri Volta, Brian Chamberlin, Daryl Boucher, Eric Wellman, Brian Langerman, Kevin Bachey

**Ex Officio:** Steve Diaz (State Medical Director), Jay Bradshaw (MEMS Staff)

**Guests:** Patrick Underwood (SMCC), Peter McWalter (SMCC Paramedic Student)

**ABSENT:** , Carol Pillsbury (MEMS Board), Liz Delano, B. Zito, M. Barter, D. Cornelio, B. Davis, J. Wellman, P. Farrington, R. Overlock

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/ACTIONS TAKEN	FUTURE ACTION
1. Meeting called to order at 0930 by Batsie	Introductions: Cheri Volta introduced as the new Region 4 “at large” representative.	n/a
2. Acceptance of Minutes	<b>Motion to accept minutes (Chamberlin/Boucher)-Unanimous</b>	
3. Staff Report (Bradshaw)	Bradshaw updated the committee on the search for the State Education Coordinator. Noted the position has been re-posted. Bradshaw noted the MEMS Board will be addressing committee composition in October.	EDCOM will submit existing committee composition and recommended changes to the MEMS Board for their review in October.
4. Unfinished Business (Accreditation)	Batsie updated prior progress: *Committee has spent much time discussing “critical elements of a licensure course” with the vision of developing a “accreditation standard.” *Work was done last month toward overhauling the Licensure Course Approval Document” to encompass prior	<b>Project Goal:</b> Complete “Accreditation Standard” by October Operations Team Meeting. Finalize evaluation process by January. <b>Action:</b> *Batsie will update suggestions for continued work in September. *Boucher/Wellman will readdress and

	<p>discussions and add Distributive Learning components.                  Batsie introduced subcommittee's suggestions for updates:                  *See attached suggestion document                  -Bradshaw noted we should use consistent term "distributive learning" throughout the document; committee agreed.                  -Boucher suggested that we specify the IC requirement more clearly; committee agreed.</p> <p><b>Motion to recommend changes to MEMS Board (Boucher/Wellman):</b>                  Unanimous</p>	<p>adapt other existing standards and report back to September meeting.</p>
<p>5. Protocol Revisions</p>	<p>Batsie presented educational review of suggested protocol revisions for Blue and yellow sections. Committee discussed individual changes and educational impact. (see Educational Impact of Protocol Revision Document)                  *Chamberlin noted concern over capnography requirement in peds intubation. Noting capnography could be a stand alone class in itself.                  *Diaz suggested that although that was true, MEMS ED Objectives should require only that provider recognize tracheal, esophageal and tracheal-low output states.                  *Committee concluded that the existing MEMS airway education class needed updating.</p>	<p><b>Project Goal:</b> Education Recommendations completed by November Operations Team Meeting. Education plan developed by January 2008.  <b>Action:</b>                  Batsie will develop minimum requirements capnography objectives.                  Batsie will work to update airway class and design a bridge for existing providers Pink, Red Gold sections are scheduled for review in September.</p>

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6. Central Line Education	EDCOM has been asked to review MEMS central line education standards. *Boucher voiced concern over danger of procedure and unclear standards of use. *Diaz noted MDPB would entertain readdressing the procedure.	Boucher will review literature and report back to committee in September.
8. Next Meeting	Wednesday, September 12, 2007 at 0930 at Maine EMS, DPS Building, Augusta	n/a