

Maine EMS Education Committee Minutes  
 March 10, 2010

**Present:** Dan Batsie – Chair, Daryl Boucher, Eric Wellman, Scott Cook, Leah Mitchell, Joanne LeBrun, John Brady, Robert “Butch” Russell, Carol Pillsbury, Brian Langerman, Brian Chamberlin, Tiffany Stebbins, Tim Guerette  
**Guests:** Eric Detweiler (SMCC students)  
**Staff:** Drexell White, Jay Bradshaw

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/ACTIONS TAKEN	FUTURE ACTION
I. Meeting called to order at 0935 hrs.	n/a	n/a
II. Introductions	Introductions	n/a
III. Additions to Agenda	a. New Business <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Twelve Hour Program</li> <li>2. First Responder Question</li> <li>3. “Crucial Conversations” CEH Question</li> </ol>	
IV. Acceptance of Minutes	<p>Minutes were reviewed. Tiffany Stebbins indicated that she did attend the 2/10/10 meeting, but that he attendance was not reflected in the minutes</p> <p><b>Motion: To accept the February 10, 2010 meeting minutes. as amended to reflect that Tiffany Stebbins was in attendance for the meeting (Wellman; second by LeBrun) Unanimous</b></p>	n/a
V. Staff Report	<p>Training Center applications from Aroostook EMS and Mid Coast EMS have been received. Aroostook EMS is applying for a BLS authorization and Mid Coast EMS is applying to increase its authorization level from BLS to ALS</p> <p>Jay reported that interviews for training coordinator had been conducted along with follow up. Maine EMS will re-advertise the position to extend the candidate search.</p>	

<p>VI. Unfinished Business:</p> <p>a. Education Standards Gap Analysis</p> <p>b. IC Curriculum Review</p> <p>i. Changes to TCAP</p> <p>ii. Changes to Guidelines</p> <p>iii. Course Logistics</p>	<p>Jay indicated that information regarding the gap analysis and the National education Standards are available on the National Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) web site.</p> <p>Dan recommended adding the Instructor and Assistant Instructor language as an Appendix to the TCAP document vs. including it in the body of the document – Consensus.</p> <p>The committee agreed to change “coordinated” to “instructed” in reference to persons who teach Instructor Coordinator (IC) training programs.</p> <p>The committee determined that no approval beyond Training Center authorization is required for a Training Center to conduct an IC training program.</p> <p>Regarding training center requirements to provide student teaching opportunities for its IC training program students, language will be inserted to require Training Centers to provide adequate student teaching opportunities for students in the IC training program.</p>	<p><b>Jay Bradshaw, Dan Batsie and Drexell White</b> to discuss moving document forward to MDPB, Ops &amp; Board</p> <p><b>Dan Batsie</b> to make revisions to TCAP document and “<i>Guidelines</i>” based on Committee consensus.</p> <p><b>Dan Batsie, Jay Bradshaw, Daryl Boucher and Drexell White</b> to discuss Appendix G – “Instructors” addition to the TCAP document</p>
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<p>c. CEH Requirements Sub Committee report</p>	<p>Eric Wellman reported that the sub-committee is working on defining competency and the ways that competency may be evaluated.</p>	<p>The <b>CEH sub committee</b> will continue to meet and develop potential CEH options and competency verification models</p>
<p>d. Refresher Courses – Competency vs. Attendance-based – Sub Committee Report</p>	<p>The sub-committee has not met since the last education committee meeting but will meet briefly after today’s education committee meeting.</p>	<p><b>Refresher sub-committee</b> to meet and report to education committee next month</p>
<p>e. TCAP Update</p>	<p>The TCAP sub-committee has not met. The committee discussed the issue previously raised about TCAP authorizations being either BLS or ALS (to include Paramedic) without consideration of Training Centers wishing to provide EMT-Intermediate initial training and ALS continuing education. Daryl Boucher indicated that the original TCAP sub-committee has considered the options and had made the decision as reflected in the current model.</p>	
<p>VII. New Business</p> <p>A. MDPB Protocol Update Report</p>	<p>Jay Bradshaw reported that the MDPB is reviewing the Maine EMS pre hospital treatment protocols section-by-section. Currently the MDPB is working on the “Brown” section</p> <p>Jay also noted the MDPB’s work on special circumstances protocols and the process to enact such protocols in a limited</p>	<p><b>Dan Batsie</b> will include a “Protocol Update” agenda item on next month’s agenda.</p>

<p><b>B. Additions</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Twelve Hour Program</li> <li>2. First Responder Question</li> <li>3. Crucial Conversations” CEH Question</li> </ol>	<p>(e.g., service and/or situation specific) setting.</p> <p>Jay stated that the work on the protocol revision will continue on a monthly timeline and that the date of implementation will be set based upon when work is completed vs. setting a deadline.</p> <p>The Committee discussed the <i>Hemorrhage Control and Oxygen Delivery During CPR</i> program that has been in place since the early 1990’s and is in need of revision.</p> <p>The question arose about whether tourniquet use is approved at the First responder level. Based upon previous committee action and current standards, tourniquets are part of First responder practice</p> <p>Drexell White sought committee guidance as to whether a program entitled “Crucial Conversations” should be eligible for Maine EMS Continuing education Hours. Several members of the committee were familiar with the program.</p> <p><b><i>Motion: To recommend to Maine EMS that the continuing education program entitled “Crucial; Conversations” be eligible for Maine EMS Continuing Education Hours (CEH) (Wellman; second by Langerman) Unanimous</i></b></p>	<p><b>Daryl Boucher</b> will review the program and report back to the committee</p> <p><b>Drexell White</b> to update First Responder practical testing skill sheets to reflect tourniquet use at the First Responder level.</p>
<p>VII. Adjournment</p>	<p><b>Adjourned at 11:47</b></p>	
<p>VIII. Next meeting:</p>	<p>Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at 0930 AM</p>	

