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**LOUISIANA BUREAU OF EMS TASKFORCE
MINUTES**

Meeting Date:
January 11, 2022
Bureau of EMS
7273 Florida Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70806
1:00pm

Item	Presenter	Explanation	Action Taken
I. Welcome Pledge of Allegiance Attendance	Susan Bailey Susan Bailey Susan Bailey	Introduction of Assistant Secretary Kim Hood and Ambulance Standards Coordinator Molly Terebieniec. Members - Jeffery Anderson – Virtual Louisiana Approved Education Program - Justin Arnone – Virtual Military Medic - Ryan Brown - Present EMS Certification Commission - Dr. Avery Callahan – Virtual NAEMSP La Chapter - Kirk Coussan – Present Flight Medic - Brent Crawford - Present Licensed Paramedic - Carl Flores – Present Ambulance Safety - Gavin Hall – Present Licensed Paramedic - Aaron Johnson – Virtual Ambulance Service District Administrator - Kirk Lacour – Virtual CAAHEP EMS Education Program - Preston Landry – Present Fire EMS Provider	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Brian Lindberg - Present Fireman’s Association- Marco Macera – Virtual Private EMS Provider- Chad Major – Absent Professional Fire Fighters Association of LA- Naomi Majors – Present Louisiana Ambulance Alliance- Richard McGuire - Virtual APCO/NENA- Dr. Andre Mouledoux – Absent American College of Emergency Physicians- Brian Regan – Virtual Industrial EMS Practitioner- Bill Salmeron – Present Municipal EMS Provider- Ceirra Smith – Absent Licensed EMT- Evon Smith – Present LANREMT- Wendi Worsham – Virtual High School Educator <p>State Partners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Butch Browning – Virtual Office of the State Fire Marshal- Paige Hargrove – Virtual Louisiana Emergency Response Network- Kimberly Hood – Virtual Office of Public Health- Myra Lowe – Virtual	
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		<p>Office of Public Health</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Amanda Perry – Virtual EMS for Children - Traci Travis – Absent Office of the State Fire Marshal - Jessica Vallelungo – Virtual Department of Education <p>BEMS Staff:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Susan Bailey – Present Director - Stacy Barbay – Present Deputy Director - John Cavell – Virtual Education Manager - Katherine Robillard – Virtual Credentialing Coordinator - Lisa MacDonald – Virtual 911 Communications Coordinator - Douglas Champlin – Present Compliance Coordinator - Molly Terebieniec – Virtual Ambulance Standards Coordinator <p>Guest(s) present:</p>	
II. Procedural Rule	Susan Bailey	The Procedural Rule was approved and signed by Assistant Secretary Hood.	Procedural Rules were enacted.
III. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair	Susan Bailey	<p>Nominations from the floor.</p> <p>One year term - January 1, 2022-December 31, 2022</p>	<p>Nominations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kirk Lacour nominated Jeff Anderson for the position of Chair. • Aaron Johnson nominated Naomi Majors for the position of Chair. <p>Mr. Anderson acquiesced the Chair position to Ms. Majors and agreed to the</p>

			Vice-Chair position.
IV. Public Comments			No public comment
V. Bureau of EMS Reports a. Bureau Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Licensing Report - EMS Certification Commission Report - Exam Report - Education Report - 911 Communications Report - Ambulance Standards 	<p>Katherine Robillard</p> <p>Stacy Barbay Ryan Brown</p> <p>Doug Champlin</p> <p>John Cavell</p> <p>Lisa MacDonald</p> <p>Molly Terebieniec</p>	Reports have been distributed.	No additional action.
VI. State Partner Reports a. Office of Public Health b. Office of the State Fire Marshal	<p>Kim Hood Myra Lowe</p> <p>Butch Browning Traci Travis</p>	<p>No report</p> <p>The OSFM has sustained ESF 4 & 9 for over 1 month. Building investigations have increased. Fires have decreased. LSU-FETI is transitioning to FETA. Dan Wallis will be the superintendent. OSFM is seeking discretionary funds for emergency services.</p>	

<p>c. Louisiana Emergency Response Network</p> <p>d. EMS for Children</p> <p>e. Department of Education</p>	<p>Paige Hargrove</p> <p>Amanda Perry</p> <p>Jessica Vallelungo</p>	<p>St Francis in Monroe has signed to become a Level 3 trauma facility. Ochsner Shreveport has renewed their Level 1 trauma state and level 2 Pediatric trauma status. OLOL Pediatric Hospital is working to obtain Level 2 trauma status. Children’s Hospital in New Orleans is working on achieving trauma recognition. LERN continues to support the Stroke and STEMI system.</p> <p>EMSC is starting a survey and will be hosting a webinar for EMS to orient on what is done with the data. Would like to present the data at a future Task Force meeting.</p> <p>No report</p>	
<p>VII. Stakeholder Reports</p> <p>a. CAAHEP/CoAEMSP</p> <p>b. Louisiana Ambulance Alliance</p> <p>c. American College of Emergency Physicians</p> <p>d. Louisiana Association of Nationally Registered</p>	<p>Kirk Lacour</p> <p>Naomi Majors</p> <p>Dr. Andre Mouledoux</p> <p>Evon Smith</p>	<p>A CoAEMSP Board meeting was held. The minimum competency matrix is scheduled to be available on 1/1/2023.</p> <p>LAA is preparing for the legislative session. A Hurricane Ida AAR was conducted on January 10. The St. Gabriel facility is completed and staff is moving in.</p> <p>No report.</p> <p>LANREMT is working with the Bureau of EMS to purchase the AEDs to donate them</p>	

<p>EMTs</p> <p>e. Professional Firefighters of Louisiana</p> <p>f. Louisiana State Fireman’s Association</p> <p>g. APCO/NENA</p> <p>h. NAEMSP Louisiana Chapter</p> <p>i. Other</p>	<p>Chad Majors</p> <p>Brian Lindberg</p> <p>Richard McGuire</p> <p>Dr. Avery Callahan</p>	<p>to the rural fire departments and schools who currently have them in their possession.</p> <p>No Report.</p> <p>LSFA will be meeting on January 22 to set the schedule for the annual conference.</p> <p>APCO/NENA will be meeting later in January to plan the symposium that will be held in April.</p> <p>All ANEMSP activities focus on education.</p>	
<p>VIII. Standing Sub-Committee</p> <p>a. Credentialing Katherine Robillard staff liaison</p> <p>b. Education John Cavell staff liaison</p> <p>c. Examination Doug Champlin staff liaison</p> <p>d. 911 Communications Lisa MacDonald staff liaison</p>		<p>Appointment of Chair of each Sub-Committee</p> <p>Define the responsibilities of each Sub-Committee</p>	<p>Subcommittee chairs are as follows: Credentialing – Evon Smith Education – Jeff Anderson Examination – Gavin Hall 911 Communications – Richard McGuire Ambulance Standards – Carl Flores EMS Certification Commission – Ryan Brown</p>

<p>e. Ambulance Standards Molly Terebieniec staff liaison</p> <p>f. EMS Certification Commission Stacy Barbay staff liaison</p>			
<p>IX. Old Business</p> <p>a. NREMT Requirements for recertification and license renewal</p> <p>b. Oversight of Mobile Integrated Health Agencies</p>	<p>Evon Smith</p> <p>Susan Bailey Kirk Lacour</p>	<p>Evon Smith suggested that there be a discussion about the value of keeping the NREMT requirements for recertification.</p> <p>Draft attached – Specifically for agencies that are not EMS Providers. IV Clinics, MIH Agencies, etc.</p>	<p>Continue online training post pandemic. – referred to Education Subcommittee to write a letter.</p> <p>Legislation draft to regulate non-transporting agencies. – referred to Commission Subcommittee.</p>
<p>X. New Business</p> <p>a. EMS Certification Commission</p>	<p>Stacy Barbay</p>	<p>The following Commissioner’s terms will expire on the corresponding dates. Resumes will be sought and reviewed at the October meeting. Task Force will submit two names per position to the Governor for appointment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LMA, Paramedic – 07/05/2022 incumbent’s second term • EMT – 05/03/2022 incumbent’s second term • LSMS – 05/03/2022 incumbent’s second term • Paramedic – 05/03/2022 incumbent’s second term 	<p>Nominations are being accepted through February 4. The Task Force will be making recommendations to Board & Commission at the next meeting.</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PFFA – 05/05/2022 incumbent’s second term• Public Administrator – 05/03/2022 incumbent’s second term• ACEP – 06/13/2022 incumbent’s initial appointment• Private Administrator – 08/15/2022 incumbent’s initial appointment• ACOS – 10/31/2019 – incumbent’s second term expired• AAP – 08/15/2022 – incumbent’s initial appointment <p>Not expiring until 2023 – LFCA (Paramedic) and LSNA</p> <p>Revised statute reference: RS 40:1133.3.F.(2) No individual shall serve more than two consecutive terms. RS 40:1133.3.G Subsequent to the appointment of the initial members, the voting members shall be appointed from a list of two nominees for each appointment submitted by the task force. No later than thirty days prior to the termination date of a member's term, the task force shall submit a list of nominees to the governor. If the Louisiana State Nurses Association or the task force fails to submit the required list of nominees to the governor within thirty days, the governor shall appoint the respective member to fill the vacancy</p>	
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<p>b. Next year’s meetings</p>	<p>Susan Bailey</p>	<p>without the nomination list required. Moving to bimonthly meetings January 11, 2022 March 8, 2022 May 10, 2022 July 12, 2022 September 13, 2022 November 8, 2022</p>	<p>Merriam-Webster defines bimonthly at every 2 months and semimonthly as twice a month</p>
<p>XI. Announcements</p>	<p>Carl Flores</p>	<p>UMC is hosting a table top with Regions 1, 3, 9 in conjunction with LERN. Burn Push Packs will be helpful to EMS. There is a shortage of burn beds and the burn push pack will be provided to help treat the patients. It contains enough supplies to treat 10 patients for 24 hours.</p>	
<p>XII. Adjourn Next meeting: March 8, 2022 Bureau of EMS 7273 Florida Blvd. Baton Rouge, LA 70806</p>			