

Rules and Regulations Committee
Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services
Embassy Suites, Richmond, Va
February 5, 2026 at 9:15 a.m.

Members Present:	Members Absent:	OEMS Staff:	Others:
Kim Craig - Chair	Ed Rhodes	Ron Passmore	Gary Samuels
Karen Owens	David Hoback		R.B. Stratton
Cody Jackson			Allen Yee
Theresa Kingsley-Marble			Megan Middleton
Beth Adams (virtual)			K. Wayland Hudgins
David Hupp (virtual)			John Craig
Janet Blankenship (virtual)			

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I. Call to order/Welcome:	I. Called to order – Meeting was informational only as there was no quorum II. Approval of draft agenda – Unable to complete as there was no quorum Approval of July and November 2025 minutes were emailed for review but without quorum cannot be approved. III. Time Constraint of 1 hour due to other committee's times scheduled	Meeting minutes will be voted for at the May meeting.
II. Introductions:	Committee members: 3 of the committee members have been approved by the Chair for remote participation.	
III. Staff Report	The Office of EMS has moved to the Madison building in downtown Richmond. The change in the mailing address has impacted delivery and created a delay in the completion of background checks. <i>Ongoing Regulatory Activities</i> Chapter 32 revision is ongoing. Suggested edits have been received and workgroups will be developed to review the edits. The goal is to present a copy for the committee to approve in November with approval by the full Advisory Board at the February	

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	Meeting. Beth Adams has been appointed as Chair for the Chapter 32 workgroup. Additional members include Gary Samuels, Matt Lawler, Amanda Quistian, and have requested an appointment from the Medical Direction Committee. If a workgroup includes two or more members of a standing committee, FOIA requirements will apply. Discussion about other workgroups due to <i>Regulation & Compliance Enforcement Division Requests</i> Two variance requests were submitted: Brunswick Emergency Medical Services and Metro Washington Airport. These requests will be reviewed for approval at the May meeting due to lack of quorum. The National Safety Council has submitted an EVOC curriculum to the Office of EMS for review and approval. A workgroup has been appointed for review of the curriculum. The Workgroup includes Robert Trimmer, Bubby Bish, and Dan Fellows. They will report their findings back to the committee with recommendations on approval of the curriculum.	
IV. New Business	The Committee Chair discussed the importance of membership participation in committee meetings and attendance at the meetings. The committee structure is being reviewed to ensure that there is appropriate representation across the Commonwealth. According to the Advisory Board Bylaws, the committee will be limited to ten members. Beth Adams was appointed as the Interim Vice Chair, will be ratified at the April 30, 2026 meeting.	
V. Unfinished Business:		
VI. New Business:	Steve Higgins will be recommended to the Advisory Board Executive Committee for appointment to the Rules and Regulations committee to replace Anthony Wilson. Steve will be representing the VAA.	
VII. Public Comment:		

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VIII. Dates of Next Meeting:	The upcoming meeting dates for 2026 are April 30, August 6, and November 5. Participation is essential so that the committee can ensure that regulations are meeting the needs of our agencies and providers.	
VIV. Adjournment	Chair adjourned the meeting	