

State EMS Advisory Board Meeting
Courtyard by Marriott, Glen Allen, VA 23059
Friday, August 5, 2016
1:00 p.m.

Members Present:	Members Absent:	Staff:	Others:
Byron F. Andrews, III - Virginia State Firefighters Association Gary P. Critzer - Central Shenandoah EMS Council	Michel B. Aboutanos, MD, MPH, FACS – American College of Surgeons - EXCUSED Sherrin C. Alsop – Virginia Association of Counties - EXCUSED	Gary R. Brown Scott Winston	Bruce Edwards Board of Health Representative Hughes Melton, MD, MBA, FAAFP Chief Deputy Commissioner, Public Health and Preparedness
Valeta C. Daniels - Virginia Association of Volunteer Rescue Squads Richard H. Decker, III - Old Dominion EMS Alliance Lisa M. Dodd, DO - Virginia College of Emergency Physicians	Samuel T. Bartle, MD – American Academy of Pediatrics - EXCUSED Joan F. Foster – Virginia Municipal League - EXCUSED S. Denene Hannon – Virginia Association of Volunteer Rescue Squads - EXCUSED	Amanda Davis George Lindbeck Cam Crittenden	Amanda Lavin Assistant Attorney General Wayne Perry Rappahannock EMS Council Kendra Sours Lord Fairfax EMS Council
Stephen J. Elliott - Thomas Jefferson EMS Council Jason D. Ferguson - Western Virginia EMS Council William B. Ferguson - Virginia Association of Governmental EMS Administrators Jonathan D. Henschel - Lord Fairfax EMS Council	Sudha Jayaraman, MD, MSc – Medical Society of Virginia - EXCUSED Genemarie W. McGee – Tidewater EMS Council - EXCUSED Marilyn K. McLeod, MD, FACEP – Blue Ridge EMS Council - EXCUSED	Adam Harrell Michael D. Berg Tristen Graves	Jim Chandler Tidewater EMS Council Ed Rhodes VFCA/VAVRS/RDG/VAGEMSA Rob Logan Western Virginia EMS Council Steve Allen Patrick County Marcia Pescitani Northern Virginia EMS Council
David Hoback - Virginia Fire Chief's Association		Karen Owens Marian Hunter	Jason Sweet James City County Fire Department Amy Ashe New Kent Fire & Rescue Greg Woods Southwest Virginia EMS Council
Jason R. Jenkins - Virginia Chapter of the International Association of Fire Fighters Lori L. Knowles - Rappahannock EMS Council		Wayne Berry Warren Short	Charles Feiring JTCC EMS Education Kate Boyle Virginia Association of Counties Mary Kathryn Allen Blue Ridge EMS Council
John Korman - Associated Public Safety Communications Officials Cheryl Lawson, MD, FACEP - Peninsulas EMS Council Julia Marsden - Consumer		Jimmy Burch Ron Kendrick	Larry A. Oliver Frederick County Fire and Rescue Daniel Linkins John Tyler Community College
Christopher L. Parker, BSN, RN, CEN, CPEN, NRP, CCEMTP - Virginia Emergency Nurses Association / Virginia Nurses Association Ronald Passmore, NRP - Southwest Virginia EMS Council Anita Perry, RN, MSN, CEN, AAS/NREMT-P, CMTE - Virginia Hospital & Healthcare Association			

Members Present:

Jose V. Salazar, MPH, NREMT-P - Northern
Virginia EMS Council
Daniel C. Wildman - Virginia Ambulance
Association

Members Absent:**Staff:****Others:**

Lisa Baber
New Kent Fire-Rescue
Dan Norville
Norfolk Fire-Rescue
Al Thompson
Bon Secours
Eddie Ferguson
Goochland County Fire-Rescue
Robert Trimmer
Chesterfield Fire & EMS; FARC
Bryan S. McRay
Old Dominion EMS Alliance
Adam Alford
Old Dominion EMS Alliance
Gary Samuels
HCA Henrico Doctors Hospital
Karen Wagner
VAVRS / VAA
Gary Dalton
VAVRS / VAA
Jeff Michael
Rockingham County
Timothy McKay
Chesterfield Fire & EMS
Travis Karicofe
City of Harrisonburg
Damien Coy
Old Dominion EMS Alliance
Bob Ramsey
VA College of Emergency Physicians

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Call to Order	Gary Critzer, State EMS Advisory Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pledge of Allegiance – Mr. Critzer started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. • Moment of Silence – Mr. Critzer had a moment of silence for any fallen EMS Public Safety Providers since our last meeting. • Approval of May 6, 2016 Meeting Minutes -The May 6, 2016 meeting minutes were approved by unanimous consent. • Approval of the August 5, 2016 Meeting Agenda – The August 5, 2016 meeting agenda was approved by unanimous consent. 	
Chairman’s Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • REPLICA Bill Signing Mr. Critzer attended the REPLICA bill signing ceremony along with Gary Brown from OEMS. 	

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	<p>Mr. Critzer said that seven states have adopted REPLICA, and they still need three more states to adopt REPLICA before the Commission can begin its work.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trauma System Plan Task Force Mr. Critzer has attended all of the Trauma System Plan Task Force meetings. The task force was established to address the recommendations contained in the Trauma System Consultation Report, which was prepared by an interdisciplinary working group of the American College of Surgeons Trauma Systems Consultation Program. <p>Mr. Critzer reported that it is a very active group, as well as the Workgroups; and they are all working very diligently to determine what is best for Virginia EMS trauma system.</p> <p>Mr. Critzer recapped the process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Workgroups work through the Task Force ○ The Task Force will make recommendations to the Trauma System Oversight and Management Committee (TSO&M). ○ TSO&M will solicit recommendations from other State EMS Advisory Board committees from which they need input before completing a final report that will be brought to the State EMS Advisory Board as an action item. ○ A final approved report from the State EMS Advisory Board will go to the Board of Health for approval. <p>Mr. Critzer said it is an extensive process that is not near to completion; but it is going well.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rural Area Medicine (RAM) Mr. Critzer reported on this event that took place in July in Southwest Virginia. Doctors, dentists and other Allied Health professionals came together to offer free health services in rural Virginia to individuals who do not have access to healthcare. He said that EMS did participate in the event. Mr. Berg from OEMS participated as part of the Thomas Jefferson area Task Force as well as several other rescue squads. It last for four days, from early morning until late evening. • Valeta Daniels reported that Rappahannock Community College Health Sciences held a RAM in Warsaw, Virginia in November 2015; and they plan to make it an annual event if anyone is interested in participating in the future. 	
Vice Chair Report	Ms. McGee was not in attendance, and there was no report.	
Chief Deputy Commissioner, Public Health and Preparedness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active Shooter – Dr. Melton talked about Active Shooter programs and the importance of coordination between Public Safety and EMS. • Addiction Crisis – Dr. Melton said that EMS on the front line trying to save lives of addicted 	

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	<p>individuals. He also mentioned the importance of using the data that is being collected by EMS to understand what is happening with addiction emergencies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zika Virus - Virginia is on the front edge of being prepared. The Governor has been briefed to make sure they understood his desires if there are local transmissions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dr. Melton asked EMS providers, as individuals on the front line, to make sure they are well informed about Zika and how it is transmitted and how individuals can protect themselves. 	
<p>Office of EMS Report - Gary Brown, Scott Winston, George Lindbeck, MD, & OEMS Staff</p>	<p>OEMS Director – Gary Brown</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of new State EMS Advisory Board Member, Lori Knowles, a newly appointed board member representing Rappahannock EMS Council, was introduced. • Virginia EMS Symposium - The 37th annual EMS Symposium is being held in November at the Norfolk Waterside Marriott. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Board members receive free registration/ ○ Board members get at least one night’s lodging for attendance at the Board meeting. However, some board members are also members of committees that are meeting during the Symposium and may receive additional nights lodging. Please let Irene Hamilton know if you need lodging. ○ Spirit of Norfolk Dinner Cruise - on Wednesday night, by private sponsorship, there will be a dinner cruise on the Spirit of Norfolk. If you want to attend, please let Gary Brown or Irene Hamilton know so we can get an accurate count for the cruise. • OEMS Personnel Update Division of Trauma and Critical Care Manager, Cam Crittenden, was introduced. Business Manager – Adam Harrell is the new Business Manager who is replacing Dennis Molnar. Dennis is retiring after 18 years of dedicated service to the Office of EMS. Personnel Analyst Specialist – Shurtone Lee has been hired as the new HR Specialist for OEMS. She will begin work on August 10. Senior Medical Records Technician – Lenice Boyd has been hired and will begin work on August 10. She will be handling the Statewide Trauma Registry. <p>Several positions are still open-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Trauma and Critical Care Coordinator ○ Informatics Coordinator ○ Training and Development Coordinator ○ EMS Emergency Management Coordinator ○ Technical Assistance to Localities Coordinator ○ Several Wage Positions 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency Medical Services Training Fund (EMSTF) Program – Adam Harrell Mr. Harrell gave the group an update on where OEMS is in regards to the EMSTF Program. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ In FY16, OEMS was told that the EMSTF Program did not meet State Procurement because it was not a competitive bid process, or as it is known in the State, a RFP Bid for Proposals. ○ OEMS put together several draft options using the RFP process but could not figure out how to effectively complete the process in a timely manner. ○ State Procurement approved OEMS to utilize an alternative solution to temporarily enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with three different types of entities (ranked in priority order) -. (1) a MOU with the Regional EMS Councils; (2) a MOU with the Virginia State Community College; or (3) entering into an MOU directly with a locality. This would not alleviate the competitive bid component but would allow OEMS to enter into agreements to spread educational offerings out over different demographics and geography areas of the state. OEMS would allocate the EMSTF allotment to the chosen entity and the entity would be responsible for competitively bidding out the educational offerings. ○ The 11 Regional EMS Councils were identified as the primary entity for the MOU. ○ Mr. Harrell explained that they envision entering into an MOU with the 11 Regional EMS Councils with the scope being to provide EMS education in the Commonwealth. ○ The MOUs will have a specified student amount. Previously, funding was provided on a per class basis. . ○ They would put a per student dollar amount on the MOU. The MOU would be paying per student instead for an entire course. The MOU would explain that there is a certain amount of money to train a certain amount of students. ○ The Regional EMS Councils would have to take the money and go out on bid within their service area and have individuals respond to the RFPs. The Regional EMS Councils would utilize their procurement policies to respond to bids. ○ The Regional EMS Council would review the bids they receive, along with a RFP Review Committee that would be composed of someone from OEMS along with external stakeholders from the Regional EMS Council’s service area to determine the awards. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Executive Committee, at their meeting on Thursday, asked about the possibility of funding the MOUs through Rescue Squad Assistance Fund (RSAF). Mr. Harrell explained that one of biggest concerns they have heard from EMS agencies, providers and instructors is what will this new program do for classes that started on July 1 because under the current procurement they cannot go backwards and contract for classes. However, RSAF awards are reimbursed after the money has already been spent. ○ OEMS proposes that they do a special initiative with RSAF to fund the EMS education in the interim until they can get the MOU project up and running. This would prevent programs from having an interruption in funding until the project is finalized and approved. <p>There were some questions and discussion from the floor in regards to this issue.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Upon being asked, Jim Chandler, on behalf of the Regional EMS Council Directors, said they have been briefed and are onboard to work with OEMS on this project. ○ In response to a question from Byron Andrews regarding the funds, Mr. Harrell said they do have funds available to fund this special initiative. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Blackboard Project Adam Harrell told the group that they are currently in the final stages of procurement of a statewide learning management system. It will be available free of charge to EMS education coordinators, agencies, providers and OMDs. This will be the platform for EMS education using distance learning. Blackboard is able to integrate into the Virginia Community College System programs that encompass most of the ALS education. They are seeking the final approval and hope to have it released either later this year or the first part of next year. ● Regulation and Compliance Program Mike Berg explained that in the past the Regulation and Compliance Program has worked from the Lotus Notes platform. However, VDH will no longer be supporting Lotus Notes. Therefore, they are converting to Oracle. Mr. Berg explained that for EMS agencies and providers this means that they will become more efficient with the information they are collecting. For OEMS this means that the terminology and data collected will be seamless across the office and all the programs. They look to have the conversion and operation completed within the year. ● CE Scanner Program Warren Short told the group that they are in their final testing stages for their CE Scanner 	

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	<p>Program. He explained that the hand-held scanners they have been using for about 10 years are no longer supported.</p> <p>The plan is to release a PC-based stand-alone program that is downloadable. It will automatically update and will not be device specific. The end user will only have to purchase a hand-held barcode scanner that plugs into their device. The scanners cost from \$100 - \$300. The plan is to have this program up and running by the beginning of next year, if not sooner. They will begin testing this weekend and the final testing will be done at the annual EMS Symposium.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional EMS Councils Site Review Visits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tim Perkins reported that site review visits of the 11 Regional EMS Councils were conducted between February 19 and July 12, 2016. • The Site Review team consisted of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Randy P. Abernathy, Deputy Chief (Retired), Hanover County Fire & EMS, Past Vice-Chair, State EMS Advisory Board ○ Robert A. Brown, Assistant Chief (Retired), Albemarle County Fire & Rescue, Past Chair – Financial Assistance Review Committee, Past Training Coordinator, Peninsulas EMS Council ○ Maria Herbert, Business Consultant, MCH Consulting Services, LLC ○ Larry A. Oliver, Deputy Chief, Frederick County Fire and Rescue Department; Past Member, State EMS Advisory Board; Vice President, Lord Fairfax EMS Council ○ Christina J. Skinner, EMS Coordinator, Mary Washington Healthcare; Past Executive Director, Rappahannock EMS Council <p>After the visits and review, all 11 Regional EMS Councils have been recommended to be redesignated.</p> <p>Mr. Perkins brought this forth as an action item for the Board. If approved by the State EMS Advisory Board, this report and recommendations will be forwarded to the State Board of Health for their approval.</p> <p>Ron Passmore brought forth a motion for the State EMS Advisory Board to accept the recommendations and the motion was properly seconded. Hearing no discussion the Chair called for the vote.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State EMS Plan <p>Tim Perkins reported that they have received information from almost all of the committees of the State EMS Advisory Board. He presented a rough draft to the Legislative & Planning Committee earlier today at their meeting. The plan is to have a finished product for their</p> 	<p>MOTION: The State EMS Advisory Board moves to accept the recommendation of OEMS for continued designation of the 11 Regional EMS Councils and in specified service areas.</p> <p>VOTE: YEAS = 20; NAYS = 0; ABSTENTIONS = 0</p> <p>The motion was carried unanimously.</p>

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	<p>review and vote at the November State EMS Advisory Board meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • REPLICA Legislation Mr. Brown reported that he thinks in the next round of state legislatures they will exceed the 10 states required to have this legislation go into effect. He reported that the National Registry of EMTs is supporting this project nationally. The National Registry has funded an internal position at the National Registry to set up the database. They have also provided funds to the National Association of State EMS Officials to have a position that will be working with states that have not enacted the legislation. This person would go into those states and provide facts to their legislations to help to get the states on board. <p>Mr. Brown said that REPLICA requires a Commission. The National Registry is flying the Directors of each of the seven states who have already enacted the legislation to Columbus, Ohio for a two-day session to start establishing the rule making and the structure of the Commission.</p> • REPLICA States Scott Winston informed the group that the seven states who have already accepted REPLICA are Virginia, Colorado, Texas, Utah, Idaho, Kansas and Tennessee. • HB 311 MR. Winston said this bill requires the Secretary of Health and Human Resources to undertake efforts to establish collaborative agreements with other states, especially states that border Virginia, for the interstate recognition of certification of EMS personnel. The bill requires a report to the General Assembly by November 1. Internally, OEMS staff must have their report to Gary Brown by September 1. Mr. Brown will get the report to the Commissioner by September 15. The Secretary of Health and Human Resources will get the report by October 1 to ready it for delivery to the General Assembly by November 1. <p>Mr. Winston reported that the intent of the bill is an interim measure until the 10 states are on board and the Commission is able to establish rules to recognize the movement of personnel across state borders; particularly those that surround Virginia. There is a clause that would end Virginia's participation in the compact if 10 states have not adopted the compact by July 1, 2021.</p> <p>In talks with the states that border Virginia and the District of Columbia about how to expedite a collaborative agreement some issues were discussed. The challenges are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Differing standards of care ○ Medical treatment protocols ○ Statues that govern and recognize EMS personnel from state to state 	

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	<p>The report to the Commissioner will summarize what they have heard through surveys and in-person interviews with states surrounding Virginia. The report will highlight some of the constraints that will make it challenging for Virginia to enter into five different agreements with states and one with the District of Columbia.</p> <p>Mr. Critzer asked which of our border states are interested in accepting REPLICA. Mr. Winston said that all the states have expressed some interest. However, he said that North Carolina is not eligible because they don't use the National Registry as their initial certification, which a requirement of REPLICA.</p>	
Amanda Lavin, Assistant Attorney General	No report.	
Board of Health EMS Representative Report	<p>Bruce Edwards the Board of Health EMS Representative reported on the Board of Health meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zika Virus – The Board of Health talked extensively about what is being done in Virginia. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ They have set up a Task Force ○ Registry for pregnant women ○ Educating people on standing water in their backyards • Annual Elections Mr. Edwards was reelected as Chair of the Board of Health. He said he tries to make sure to update the Board of Health at each meeting on the Trauma System Plan Task Force actions. • Their next meeting is September 15 at the Perimeter Center. 	
Standing Committee Reports and Action Items		
Executive Committee – Gary Critzer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Executive Committee met on Thursday, 8/4/16. • Items discussed, included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ EMS Training Funds discussion ○ Regulatory review ○ VAVRS Financial Report – The Code of Virginia requires the State EMS Advisory Board to review the VAVRS Financial Report. ○ Virginia versus National Registry certification was discussed. This topic and process is ongoing and will require a special called meeting between the Executive Committee and the OEMS staff to discuss this topic. ○ EMS Representative to the Board of Health – Bruce Edwards is coming to the end of his term on the Board of Health. There must be a replacement by July 2017. Mr. Critzer explained the process that will be taking place over the next several months in order to provide three names to the Secretary of the Commonwealth to fill this position. Individuals do not have to be a member of the State EMS Advisory Board in order to serve as the EMS Representative to the Board of Health. 	

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	<p>Interested individuals should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Submit an email or letter of intent to Gary Critzer along with your resume or CV. Mr. Critzer would like to have those by September 30. ▪ The Executive Committee will vet all of the letters of interest and select three names. ▪ They will present the three names to the State EMS Advisory Board at the November meeting for a vote by the Board. ▪ The outcome of the vote will be submitted to the Secretary of the Commonwealth – the person receiving the most votes will be the number one choice, and the other two will be rated second and third choice based on the votes. ▪ Mr. Critzer encouraged interested individuals to talk to Bruce Edwards and also review the Board of Health roles and responsibilities on the VDH website. 	
Financial Assistance Review Committee (FARC) – Robert Trimmer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Robert Trimmer, Chair of FARC, gave the report. • The spring grant cycle rewards were made on July 1. The committee received 158 applications requesting \$10.8 million. 99 agencies were awarded funded for \$4.1 million, or 39 percent of the requests. • The current grant cycle opened on August 1 and will close on September 15. The Cot Retention Systems requests will receive particular attention as they have an allotment of money set aside for those systems. 	
Administrative Coordinator – David Hoback	No report.	
Rules and Regulations Committee – Jon Henschel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee met on Thursday, 8/4/16. • The Regulations are currently under revision. The Town Hall is closed and they received no comments from the public. • A work session will be held on September 28. If they cannot complete their work in that session, they will probably have a second session in October. • They plan to have a draft completed to submit to the State EMS Advisory Board at the November meeting. • The hope is to have the Regulations presented to the Board of Health at their February meeting. 	
Legislative & Planning Committee – Rob Logan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee met earlier in the day. • The meeting focused on the State EMS Plan. They reviewed changes recommended by the State EMS Advisory Board committees and others. • They recommended inserting a component related to Behavior and Mental Health into the Plan. • They developed a schedule for the Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It will be finalized in draft form within the next two weeks and put out for a 30-day comment period. 	

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Infrastructure Coordinator – Chris Parker	No report.	
Transportation Committee – Chip Decker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The committee has met twice since the last State EMS Advisory Board Meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ One meeting was to review the RSAF grants and the second meeting was to discuss which ambulance standards Virginia should adopt. Those recommendations have been given to the OEMS staff. 	
Communications Committee – Gary Critzer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The committee met earlier in the day. ● The committee approved the 911 accreditation application from Clarke County Sheriff’s Office. ● They approved their section of the Communications regulations. ● The committee discussed some grant guidance for communications grants and the requirements for assuring interoperability channels in all mobile and portable subscriber units in the Commonwealth for licensed EMS vehicles. These recommendations will be forwarded to the Financial Assistance Review Committee. ● Their next meeting will be held in October 27 in Roanoke in conjunction with the APCO/NENA Interoperability Conference. They make the group aware of the work of the Communications Committee and the State EMS Advisory Board. 	
Emergency Management Committee – David Hoback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The committee met on Thursday, 8/4/16. ● They had a presentation on a mobile software application for patient tracking. They are investigating this for use in Virginia. The program is currently being used statewide in Georgia and North Carolina. It seems to be a solution that can be used in addition to the triage card. They will be partnering with Virginia Department of Emergency Management on the issue because it will help with managing disasters. ● SALT and MUCC Triage – Karen Owens <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ms. Owens attended the Federal Interagency Committee on EMS (FICEMS) in Washington, DC on August 4. ○ The committee is very supportive of MUCC. Ms. Owens addressed the concerns she 	

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	<p>has about the funding that it would take to replace the response guides, retrain the providers, to change the equipment, modify the triage tags, and the fact that there is no great triage tape has them concerned. She asked them to keep that in mind as they complete the process.</p> <p>Ms. Owens said that the committee realizes that Virginia is not in total support but is willing to open conversations about the impact and changes.</p>	
Patient Care Coordinator – Marilyn McLeod, M.D.	Dr. McLeod is on a mission trip and not in attendance at the meeting.	
Medical Direction Committee – Cheryl Lawson, M.D.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical Direction Committee brought forth an action item for vote from the State EMS Advisory Board.  <p>Appendix A.docx</p>	<p>MOTION: To remove all hours and competencies from the Paramedic requirements on TR-17 and follow the guidelines established by CoAEMSP (Committee on Accreditation of EMS Programs) and the National Registry Paramedic Portfolio.</p> <p>VOTE: YEAS = 20; NAYS = 0; ABSTENTIONS = 0</p> <p>The motion was carried unanimously.</p>
Medevac Committee – Anita Perry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The committee met on July 28, 2016. They reviewed the Air Medical portion of the Rules and Regulations and the EMS Plan and provided input back to OEMS staff. They are looking at a new system for the statewide LZ Directory and they hope to have their plans in place by November. 	
Trauma System Oversight and Management Committee – Gary Brown	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Aboutanos was not in attendance, and Mr. Brown gave the report. Mr. Brown gave an update on the Trauma System Plan Task Force work, which is an outcome of the American College of Surgeons Consultative visit last year. The Trauma System Plan Task Force has established seven workgroups, and they are scheduled to meet again on September 1. The OEMS website has information on the work of the Task Force, including minutes and meeting schedules. Mr. Brown told the group that Cam Crittenden has been in the field since starting with OEMS visiting all the Regional EMS Councils, meeting with stakeholder organizations and hospitals. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Trauma Division has been conducting several trauma center designation and redesignation reviews. • Work is still being done on the Prehospital Patient Care Data in conjunction with Office of Information Management, VITA, Northrup Grumman, and ImageTrend. • Continuing work to transition from NEMSIS Version 2 to NEMSIS Version 3. The deadline is December 31, 2016 for submitting data in Version 2 format. 	
EMS for Children Committee – Samuel Bartle, M.D.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Bartle was not in attendance and there was no report. 	
Professional Development Coordinator – Ron Passmore	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report as Coordinator. 	
Training & Certification Committee – Ron Passmore	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee met on July 6, 2016 and worked on the TR-17 document. Their work was sent to the Medical Direction Committee which presented it as a motion today. 	
Workforce Development Committee – Jose Salazar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee did not meet because they did not have a quorum. • EMS Officer Program – The committee continues to work on the program. OEMS is working to get the online portion into the system. They hope to release it this Fall. • Standards of Excellence – The committee is continuing to work with different EMS agencies, encouraging them to take part in the Standards of Excellence program. • The Volunteer Recruitment and Retention Network have not met since February, but they are scheduled to meet at the annual EMS Symposium in November. 	
Provider Health and Safety Committee – Dan Wildman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee met earlier in the day. • They are publishing a monthly Safety Bulletins . • The committee will be conducting some surveys at the EMS Symposium to solicit feedback as to what they would like to see as part of the EMS Safety Officer Project. They will look at the results at the February meeting. • The committee was asked to come up with some ideas for the active shooter in a hostile work environment for the EMS community in order to determine the readiness of EMS agencies for handling these types of situations. • Gary Critzer said that the active shooter topic was also discussed at the VAGEMSA meeting earlier in the day, and they asked EMS agencies that have active shooter programs and plans to submit them to VAGEMSA. He said that VAGEMSA would be willing to share any information that they receive with the Provider Health and Safety Committee. 	
Regional EMS Council Directors – Jim Chandler	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The directors met on Thursday, August 4, 2016. • A work session was held in the morning that focused on the issue of health insurance for regional EMS councils. They are contemplating joining as a group of entities that will retain their separate corporate entities. • At their regular meeting they had several reports. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Virginia Fire Services Council and their efforts to expand legislative influence of Fire and EMS. They are concerned about the cost of EMS training and the possibility of receiving more EMS funding from the General Assembly. The group urged them to 	

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	<p>be cautious on that approach.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The group discussed issues in regards to Department of Labor overtime and employee classification. ○ Discussed the future of EMS Training Funds with OEMS staff. ○ Several of the regions are exploring ways to address behavioral health issues. They have several initiatives in progress as well as pilot projects and classes. Tidewater region is doing a conference “Taking Care of Our Own” that addresses these issues. 	
PUBLIC COMMENT	None	
OLD BUSINESS	None	
NEW BUSINESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gary Critzer submitted individuals to serve on the Nominating Committee as outlined in the Bylaws. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gary Critzer submitted the following names: Ron Passmore, Marilyn McLeod, Stephen Elliott, Anita Perry, and Christopher Parker. • Mr. Critzer asked for a motion from the floor. A motion was made and properly seconded and Mr. Critzer called for a vote. 	<p>MOTION: The State EMS Advisory Board moves to accept the names of Ron Passmore, Marilyn McLeod, Stephen Elliott, Anita Perry, and Christopher Parker as members of the Nominating Committee. VOTE: YEAS = 20; NAYS = 0; ABSTENTIONS = 0</p> <p>The motion was carried unanimously.</p>
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 2:27 p.m.	
Next Meeting	The next meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at the Norfolk Waterside Marriott in conjunction with the Virginia EMS Symposium.	