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Minutes of the May 3, 2017 Meeting Nassau University Medical Center

Vice Chairman Divver called the Council to order at 2:10 P.M.

Members Present:	Members Excused	Members Absent
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Kenneth Adams, RN	James Ajamian	Bernard Beckerman, MD
Tamara Bloom, MD	Ronald Bagan	Craig Craft
Marc Bodnar	Allen Cherson, DO	Lori Edelman
Anthony Boutin, MD	Gary Ferrucci	
Frank Chester	Annemarie Glazer, RN	
Bruce Cohn, JD	Judith Jax, RN	
Ann DeSimone, RN		
Paul Divver		
Thomas Durfee		
Scott Glazer		
Jane Gonzalez		
John Hassett		
David Linzer, RN		
Thomas Mastakouris		
Evelyn Mulvaney, RN		
James Neitz		
Vincent Papasodero		
Barry Rigney, RN		
Mark Safford, MD		
Peter Timinelli		

Alternates Attending for Members

Council Member	Alternate
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Anthony Boutin	Grace Ting
Frank Chester	Mark Frappied
David Linzer	Mark Tomlin
Vincent Papasodero	Jim Roth
Barry Rigney	Donald Hudson
Peter Timinelli	Steven Gerardi

Guests

Charles Mackie	Neil Smith	Andrew Carpenter
Alan Schwalberg	Jim Jackson	Jay Vega
Marvin Berg	Michael Mazzola	David Kugler
Mary Harms	Richard Husch	C. Pescatore
N. Lilli	Scott Resnik	Pearse Donnelly
James Downey		

Staff

Jaclyn Weiser

Pledge of allegiance.

Moment of silence for all departed members, emergency personnel and military serving.

Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

A **motion** was made by Rigney/Timinelli to accept the minutes of the March 1, 2017 meeting—motion carried unanimously.

Chairman's Report – Gary Ferrucci

- Excused

Vice Chairman – Paul Divver

- Addressed the Facebook that made referenced to the face that they are doing away with the EMT-CC program, which I believe people did not read it correctly and miss interpreted it. That needs to be corrected going forward in the future. As far as Facebook, in the future we going to limit the way we use it and make sure it is a little clearer if it is being used.
- EMT-CC- There is a SEMSCO/SEMAC meeting next week were there is a technical advisory group report that is going to presented to the Training & Education committee and then to the SEMSCO/SEMAC regarding the future EMT-CC program. We will keep the providers updated. I want everyone to know that the highest priority is the proper treat of the citizens of Nassau County and protecting our providers and making sure they have the proper training.
- Excusals are James Ajamian, Ronald Began, Allen Cherson, Gary Ferrucci, Annemarie Glazer and Judith Jax.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report – Thomas Mastakouris

Good Afternoon. Stated that the report is complete and has a copy. Ms. Jackie reconciles the bills once a month. I have copy of the report is here for anyone to see.

NYS EMS Council Representative's Report

- Meeting this month.

Presentation of Correspondence

See attached listing (hand out at meeting) of correspondence to and from the Council.

Executive Director's Report – John Hassett

- We have shipped February 2017 and March 2017 PCRs to FEDCAP.

Q.I. Coordinator's Report – Frank Chester

- There were 35 case reviews and follow-ups on credentials that were made, no trends noted.
- The medical control list is constantly being updated. There are approximately 798 technicians in our data base. Replacement card are being created approximately every 4 weeks.
- Roslyn Rescue has been approved to use Red Alert E-PCRs.

Committee Reports**Executive** – Gary Ferrucci

- Vice Chairman Divver- Met before meeting and discussed the Facebook post and what should be posted on Facebook. We also discussed the future of EMT CC's.

Communications – Jane Gonzalez

- No meeting.

Disaster Planning & Coordinating –

- No meeting.

Education & Training – Frank Chester

- Discussed the possible upcoming changes to the EMS-CC level of training. The 3 academies are united in taking on whatever challenges that are put forth because of this situations might or might not arise. The two paramedic course sponsors in our region are prepared to take on the challenges of the bridge and we are also prepared to start with the AEMT level of training with both originals and refreshers.

Legal & Governmental Affairs – Bruce Cohn

- No meeting.

Membership – David Linzer

- No meeting.

Public Education — Vincent Papisodero

- Met last week and reviewed all the Award Application submissions and selected the winners for each category. All the winners were sent upstate for state wide award consideration. We are looking to set a date and location for the awards dinner which will be held in October.

EMS Systems – Paul Divver

- Working on a policy that has been tabled to discuss more.
- We have an issue with Lynbrook FD that is being investigated as far as them wanting to go primary. We asked them to follow Policy 15-01 and we are waiting for a response back from them.

REMAC – Mark Safford, MD

- See attached minutes

Hospital ED – Scott Glazer

- Met last month at Winthrop. Discussed Narcotics and the use of Narcotics and the inconsistencies between different agencies and their plans. We are trying to rectify that by getting copies of plans and updating the hospitals of what there procedures are.

RTAC – Annemarie Glazer

- No report.

A **motion** was made by Durfee/Glazer to accept the Officers and committee reports - passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

- REMAC Policies for review:
 - Policy I. B-2 Medical Operations Center
 - Policy I. M BLS 12-Lead ECG Acquisition & Transmission
- REMAC Advisory for review:
 - Advisory 17-04.01 Prehospital Blood Drawing

Discussed the limited lab license. The state is starting to take a look at it as well as us. There are about 35% of agencies operating right now that do not have a limited lab license but are taking blood glucose samples. It is in violation of state health department law and regulations. You are required to have limited lab license in order to do it. – Discussion ensued on how we can get one limited lab license for the county. Mastakouris will look into it.
- Cohn reported that effective April 1st Winthrop hospital changed their name to NYU Winthrop. All of the e-mails will change to @nyuwinthrop.org.
- Mastakouris reported that there is legislation up in Albany to designate EMS as an essential service for the purpose of state funding. It will allow EMS Agencies to tap into state grants.

Election of Officers**Election of Members****Appointment of Council Alternates and Committee Members****Good of the Council**

Vice Chairman Divver announced that the next Council meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, June 14, 2017** at 2:00pm, at Nassau University Medical Center.

Adjournment

A **motion** was made by Linzer/Papasodero that the meeting be adjourned – motion passed unanimously – meeting adjourned at 1435 hours.

Nassau Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee REMAC Meeting Summary April 5, 2017

Physician Members	Present	Other Members	Present
Alex Axelrad, M.D.	Exc	Kenneth Adams, RN, EMT-P	X
Anthony Boutin, M.D.	X	Frank Chester, EMT-CC	X
Allen Cherson, D.O.	Exc	Bruce Cohn, JD, EMT-CC	
Nenad Grlic, D.O.	X	Ann DeSimone, RN	Exc
Michael Guttenberg, M.D.	X	Paul Divver Jr., EMT-P	X
John J. Hassett, Jr. M.D.	X	Gary Ferrucci, EMT-CC	X
Neil B. Kirschen, M.D.	X	Annemarie Glazer, RN	Exc
David S. Kugler, M.D. SEMAC/Chair	X	Scott Glazer, EMT-CC	Exc
Josh Kugler, M.D. Vice Chair	X	Mary Harms	X
Thomas Kwiatkowski, M.D.	X	John J. Hassett, EMT-CC	X
Josh Moskovitz, M.D.	X	Ernest Heeren, EMT-CC	X
David Ng, M.D.	X	Judith Jax, R.N.	X
Datev Pedjian, M.D.	Exc	David Linzer, RN	X
Victor Politi, M.D.	Exc	Evelyn Mulvaney	Exc
John C. Rohe, M.D.	Exc	Vincent Papasodero, EMT-CC	X
James Ryan, M.D.	X	Barry Rigney, RN, EMT-P	Exc
Mark Safford, M.D.	X	Peter Timinelli, EMT-P	X
Grace Ting, M.D.	X		
John Zaso, M.D. Secretary	X		
Joseph A. Zito, M.D.	Exc		
<u>Guests</u>		<u>Guests</u>	
Charles Mackie	X	Donald Hudson (for Rigney)	X
Michael Mazzola, MFD	X		
Neal Smith	X		
James Downey	X		
Alan Schwalberg	X		
Richard Husch	X		

Call To Order

Call to order at 2:24PM by Dr. D. Kugler, Chairman. Meeting held at NUMC Auditorium.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION to approve minutes of February 1, 2017, by Kirschen/Zaso – passed unanimously.

Correspondence

- In-coming:
- Mineola VAC – Request to Use BLS 12-lead ECG
 - Bayville FD – Request to Use BLS Albuterol, CPAP, Epi, Naloxone, 12-lead ECG
 - Rockville Centre FD – Request to Use BLS Naloxone and CPAP
 - ALS Services, Inc. – Agency Medical Director Dr. Richard Friedman
 - Oyster Bay FD – Request to Use BLS 12-lead ECG and CPAP

- Atlantic Beach Rescue – Request to Use BLS Albuterol, CPAP, Epi, Naloxone, 12-lead ECG, AED
- Glenwood H&L E&H – Request to Use BLS CPAP
- Jericho FD – Request to Use BLS CPAP and BLS 12-lead ECG
- Westbury FD – Request to Use BLS 12-lead ECG
- Ambulnz NY, Inc. – Agency Medical Director Dr. Robert Van Amerongen
- New Hyde Park FD – Request to Use of Check n Inject and BLS CPAP
- West Hempstead FD – Request to Use of Check n Inject
- Floral Park FD – Request to Use BLS CPAP
- Farmingdale FD – Agency Medical Director Dr. Jack Geffken
- Atlantic Steamer FC – Request to Use of Check n Inject, BLS CPAP, and BLS 12-lead ECG
- NYS DOH BEMS e-mail – Controlled Substance License Requirement
- NYS DOH BEMS – Downgrade Agencies without Controlled Sub License
- NYS DOH BEMS e-mail – Enacting Part 800.5(d)(4)
- NYS DOH BEMS e-mail – Controlled Substance License Requirement
- Elmont FD – Downgrade Level of Care to EMT
- Dr. John Rohe – Resigned as Medical Director for Elmont FD
- Carle Place FD – Request to Use BLS CPAP and BLS 12-lead ECG
- Ambulnz NY, Inc. – Request to Use BLS AED, Naloxone, Albuterol, EpiPen
- Ambulnz NY, Inc. – Request Authorization to Operate at the ALS Level of Care

Out-going:

- Carle Place FD – Notice of Revocation ALS Level of Care
- East Norwich FD – Notice of Revocation ALS Level of Care
- Freeport FD – Notice of Revocation ALS Level of Care
- Hempstead FD – Notice of Revocation ALS Level of Care
- Island Park FD – Notice of Revocation ALS Level of Care
- Syosset FD – Notice of Revocation ALS Level of Care
- West Hempstead FD – Notice of Revocation ALS Level of Care
- Freeport FD – e-mail Reinstatement of ALS Level of Care
- Syosset FD – e-mail Reinstatement of ALS Level of Care
- Syosset FD – Notice of Approval to Use Rescue Medic ePCR Program
- West Hempstead FD – e-mail Reinstatement of ALS Level of Care
- ALS Services, Inc. – Notice of Pending Suspension of ALS Level of Care
- Point Lookout/Lido FD – Notice of Revocation ALS Level of Care
- ALS Services, Inc. – Notice of Suspension of ALS Level of Care
- Wantagh FD – Approval to us BLS 12-lead Acquisition & Transmission
- Valley Stream FD – Approval to us BLS 12-lead Acquisition & Transmission
- Massapequa FD – Approval of BLS Check n Inject Use
- Oyster Bay FD – Approval of BLS Check n Inject Use
- Rockville Centre FD – Approval to Use BLS CPAP
- Seaford FD – Approval of BLS 12-lead Acquisition & Transmission
- Carle Place FD – Reinstatement of ALS Level of Care
- East Norwich FD – Reinstatement of ALS Level of Care
- Freeport FD – Reinstatement of ALS Level of Care
- Island Park FD – Reinstatement of ALS Level of Care
- Syosset FD – Reinstatement of ALS Level of Care
- West Hempstead FD – Reinstatement of ALS Level of Care

- ALS Services, Inc. – Advising that ALS Level of Care is Still Suspended
- Ambulnz NY, Inc. – Advising of Missing Documentation for ALS & BLS Level of Care Requests
- Elmont FD – Restriction on Procedures/medications for BLS Ambulance

REPORTS

Chairman – (DK) – thanked NUMC for hosting the REMAC meeting. Thanked the subcommittees that met for the work they did. Also thanked all individual that helped with the controlled substance issues and the protocols. Happy Holidays to all.

SEMAC – (DK) – meeting is next month (May).

Q.I. Subcommittee – (JZ) – see attached report.

Protocol Subcommittee – (JR) – we had a meeting and worked up a set of AEMT protocols however, with the changes that had to be made we were not able to be sent them out in advance. Copies of the protocols are attached to today’s handouts. The Chair decided that since there was a considerable amount of material and the members didn’t have an opportunity to review it before the meeting and entertained a **motion** to table made by Ryan/Zaso – passed unanimously. Part of the protocols, it was suggested that we add Ketamine to the protocols that have sedation since it is a safer drug to use.

Credentials Subcommittee – (DK) – there will be 3 new physicians to be approved - see New Business.

Policy Subcommittee – (NK) – met and we have 2 policies and 1 advisory under new business.

Regional Trauma Advisory Committee – (JJ) would like to do a presentation to the body at the next meeting. They will be studying trauma with highest severity score and destination info next month. Discussion on notification vs trauma team activation, it was pointed out that each hospital handles this differently.

Unfinished Business

- Medication Shortage – Drug shortages, see list, it has gotten a little longer.
- AEMT Protocols – 2nd **Motion** to approve draft AEMT protocols
- Advisory 17-04.1 – Prehospital Blood Drawing (New) – after a lengthy discussion, a proposal was made to change the advisory by taking out “nor authorized” an amendment was made by J.Kugler/Guttenberg to add “unless otherwise specified by Law or protocol” - amendment passed unanimously and **Motion** to approve as amended – Guttenberg/Ryan – passed unanimously.
- Policy I.B-2 – Medical Operations Center (Revised) – to add stroke to notifications 2nd **motion** to approve as written – passed unanimously.
- Policy I.M – BLS 12-Lead ECG Acquisition & Transmission (New) – it is already in use as per NYS guidelines **2nd motion** to approve as written – passed unanimously.

New Business

- Approval of ALS Services, Inc. to use Dr. Richard Friedman as their Agency Medical Director – **motion** to approve – Guttenberg/Kirschen – passed unanimously.

- Approval of Ambulnz, Inc. to use Dr. Robert Van Amerongen as their Agency Medical Director – **motion** to approve – Hassett/Kirschen – passed unanimously.
- Approval of Farmingdale FD to use Dr. Jack Geffken as their Agency Medical Director – **2nd motion** to approve – Zaso/Ryan – passed unanimously.
- BLS CPAP Approvals – **motion** to approve the following – Ryan/Hassett – passed unanimously:
 - Bayville FD
 - Rockville Centre FD
 - Oyster Bay FD
 - Atlantic Beach Rescue
 - Glenwood H&L E&H
 - Jericho FD
 - New Hyde Park FD
 - Floral Park FD
 - Carle Place FD
 - Atlantic Steamer FC
- Check & Inject Agency Approvals – **motion** to approve the following – Ting/Zaso – passed unanimously:
 - New Hyde Park FD
 - West Hempstead FD
 - Atlantic Steamer FC
- BLS 12-Lead ECG Agency Approvals – **motion** to approve the following – Hassett/Boutin – passed unanimously:
 - Mineola VAC
 - Bayville FD
 - Oyster Bay FD
 - Jericho FD
 - Westbury FD
 - Carle Place FD
 - Atlantic Beach Rescue
 - Atlantic Steamer FD
- BLS Albuterol – **motion** to approve the following –Hassett/Zaso – passed unanimously:
 - Bayville FD
 - Atlantic Beach Rescue
 - Ambulnz NY, Inc.
- BLS EpiPen – **motion** to approve the following – Ryan/Hassett – passed unanimously:
 - Bayville VD
 - Atlantic Beach Rescue
 - Ambulnz NY, Inc.
- BLS Naloxone – **motion** to approve the following – Guttenberg/Hassett – passed unanimously:
 - Bayville FD
 - Rockville Centre FD
 - Atlantic Beach Rescue
 - Ambulnz NY, Inc.
- BLS AED – **motion** to approve the following – Kirschen/J.Kugler – passed unanimously:
 - Atlantic Beach Rescue
 - Ambulnz NY, Inc.

- Ambulnz NY, Inc. – Request to operate at the ALS Level of Care. – **motion** to approve – Kirschen/Kwiatkowski – passed unanimously:
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Announcements

Motion to adjourn meeting at 3:00PM.

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, **June 7, 2017** at 2:15PM
Location: NUMC Auditorium

Memo

To: Dr. John Zaso

From: Frank Chester EMT-CC QI Coordinator

Date: 4/5/17

Subject: QI Report

- ALS credential database was updated & new cards printed on March 29, 2017. We currently have 799 credentialed ALS providers listed.
- Received 31 referrals & conducted follow-ups with no trends noted.
- Syosset FD is our most recent convert to ePCR utilizing Rescue-Medic software. They are up & running live.
- The currently approved vendors in Nassau are:
 - EMS Charts
 - Red Alert/Alpine software
 - Image Trend
 - Rescue Medic
 - Fire Rescue Systems
 - Sansio/Health EMS