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Minutes of the September 6, 2017 Meeting Northwell School of Medicine at Hofstra

Chairman Ferrucci called the Council to order at 2:05 P.M.

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

Alternates Attending for Members

Council Member

James Ajamian

Alternate

Lisa Lang-Gross

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Council Member

Anthony Boutin

Frank Chester

Bruce Cohn

Dave Linzer

James Neitz

Barry Rigney

Alternate

Grace Ting

Mark Frappied

Andrew Carpenter

Mark Tomlin

Bernard Robinson

Donald Hudson

Guests

Neal Smith

Sara Cardoz

David Kugler

Michael Mazzola

Alan Schwalberg

James Jakson

Michael Jacoby

Charles Mackie

Michael Kakish

Gary Kaplan

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 Cohn/Durfee to accept the minutes of the June 14, 2017 meeting with one change. – Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman's Report – Gary Ferrucci

- Welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the March meeting.
- Thanked NUMC for hosting the meeting.
- Excusals are James Ajamian, Paul Divver, Annemarie Glazer, Scott Glazer and Peter Timinelli.

Vice Chairman – Paul Divver

- No report.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report – Thomas Mastakouris

Good Afternoon. Stated that the report is complete and is upfront for review.

NYS EMS Council Representative's Report

Meeting September 25-27, 2017.

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 May, June and July 2017 PCR's to FEDCAP.
- Reminder the Awards dinner is October 11 at the Crest Hollow Country Club. Council members and a guest are invited. Please let the office know if you are attending.
- The REMAC has an appeal to the SEMAC on the actions that were taken against ALS Services Inc., which is the ALS first response agency of Hatzolah. REMAC suspended their operation for a number of issues and they appealed it to the state. It will be heard by the state medical advisory committee at the September meeting.

Q.I. Coordinator's Report – Frank Chester

- There were 24 case reviews and follow-ups on credentials that were made, no trends noted.
- The medical control list is constantly being updated. There are approximately 821 technicians in our data base. Replacement cards are being created approximately every 4 weeks.

Committee Reports**Executive – Gary Ferrucci**

- Trying to establish a meeting with the Mayor of Lynbrook regarding the Fire Department. They have changed their response in the matrix. Chairman Ferrucci has contacted the Mayor's office and got told that they will get back to him.

Communications – Jane Gonzalez

- No meeting.

Disaster Planning & Coordinating –

- No meeting.

Education & Training – Frank Chester

- Met August 22. Discussed the new AEMT level of training. Fire Police Academy and Nassau EMS Academy will be running original AEMT classes and hoping to start them in January 2018 and finish in Late June. Once the original AEMT class is up and running we will starting working on a refresher class. The curriculum already established between the two academies and the course schedule has been approved from the state.
- Update on EMT-CC to EMT-P Bridge. V. Papasodero stated- Northwell Emergency Institute continues it work on the bridge program. The course will be a primarily a state wide online course with skill being done at local Paramedic course sponsorships throughout the state. It look like the program is going to run over a period of six month. Hope to have the bridge up by early 2018.

Legal & Governmental Affairs – Bruce Cohn

- No meeting.

Membership – David Linzer

- Have a resignation letter from Ken Adams as he is retiring. Donald Hudson is taking over his position and he is being nominated to fill his position.
- At the End of December all the odd year seat are expiring. Please make sure your constituent sends in your letter of reappointment.

Public Education — Vincent Papasodero

- Award winners for actions that happened in the year of 2016 are attached to the agenda.
- We have secured the Crest Hollow County Club for this year's award dinner that will take place Wednesday, October 11 at 6:30pm.
- We are proud to announce that our own Thomas Mastakouris has won the State level ALS Provider of the Year Awards and got written up on the national award.

EMS Systems – Paul Divver

- See Attached minutes.
- Two 2nd motions in new business.

REMAC – Mark Safford, MD

- See attached minutes

Hospital ED – Scott Glazer

- No meeting.

RTAC – Judith Jax

- NUMC got verified as a level 1 trauma center. North Shore is doing their reverification today.
- Next meeting October 5 and we will be looking into PCR problems. The state meeting is October 17.

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

Unfinished Business

- T. Mastakouris spoke about the App. for Nassau protocols that he handed out information and spoke about last meeting. He asked if you had a chance to download and play with it please see him after the meeting so he can get your opinion on it. V. Papisodero asked if we could send app out to all agencies to look at and get feedback from.

New Business

- REMAC ALS Protocols for review. Protocols were e-mailed out prior to meeting.
- REMAC Policy for review:
 - Policy I.T Syringe Epinephrine for Basic EMT
- Motion made by Hassett and 2nd by Mastakouris to accept the resignation of Kenneth Adams with regrets from the Council.- Passed unanimously
- 2nd motion from the EMS Systems committee to move Northwell to 2nd due in the response matrix after Malverne Ambulance Corp. in the Village of Malverne. – Passed with 1 abstained
- 2nd motion from the EMS Systems Committee to remove the Levittown Fire Department from the response matrix from 0700-1900 hrs. – Passed unanimously
- Chairman Ferrucci introduced the Lawrence-Cedarhurst Fire Department to speak about a project they are working on.
 Representative from the Department Spoke about how they would like to start a rescue squad, which will be another corporation, to contract with the Lawrence Cedarhurst Fire Department Inc. and are looking to do medical billing to support their paid EMS staff 24 hours a day. They are looking for guidance on how to get their certificate of need and any other assistance we can give. They have started the process of setting up the rescue squad corporation and have spoken to other agencies that have already done this.
 Discussion ensued.
- Chairman Ferrucci opened the floor for any nominations. A motion was made by John Hassett to nominate Gary Ferrucci for the position of Chairman. A motion was made by Gary Ferrucci to nominate Paul Divver for the position of Vice Chairman. A motion was made by Ann DeSimone to nominate Thomas Mastakouris for the position of Secretary-Treasurer. Chairman Ferrucci closed nominations.

Election of Officers

Election of Members

Appointment of Council Alternates and Committee Members

Appointment of Kenneth Adams as alternate to Barry Rigney. - Passed unanimously
Appointment of Marc Pollack to EMS Systems Committee. - Passed unanimously
Appointment of Marc Pollack as non-voting member of REMAC. - Passed unanimously

Good of the Council

Chairman Ferrucci announced that the next Council meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 1, 2017** at 2:00pm, at Nassau University Medical Center.

Adjournment

A **motion** was made by Durfee/Linzer that the meeting be adjourned – motion passed unanimously – meeting adjourned at 1450 hours.

EMS Systems Committee

Meeting 1400 hrs 8/29/17

Present: Divver, Ajanian, Chester, Hassett, Mastakouris, Ferrucci, Neitz

Lynbrook: Progress on resolving response matrix issue. Ferrucci/Mastakouris will meet with mayor to discuss and resolve situation.

Malverne: Northwell to be placed 2nd due in response matrix after Malverne Ambulance corp in Village of Malverne. Dispatch by Malverne PD. Letter to be sent requesting notification of end/extension of pilot program 30 days prior to expiration. Chester/Ajanian

Levittown: Removed from the matrix 0700-1900 hrs. Chester/Neitz

Adjournment at 1500 hrs Neitz/Ajanian

Nassau Regional Emergency Medical Advisory Committee REMAC Meeting Summary August 2, 2017

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

Call To Order

Call to order at 2:20PM by Dr. D. Kugler, Chairman. Meeting held at Hofstra/Northwell Medical School.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION to approve minutes of June 7, 2017, by Hassett/Rohe – passed unanimously.

Correspondence

- In-coming: --
- NYS DOH BEMS&TS – Approval to Extend Medication Expiration Dates
 - Nassau REMSCo – Appointment of Dr. Neubert as a Non-voting Member
 - Roslyn Highlands H&L E&H – Request Approval for Naloxone Administration

- Out-going: -- Elmont FD – Approved to use Dr. John Hassett, Jr. as their Agency Medical Director
- Elmont FD – Approved to use BLS Albuterol, AED, PAD, Epinephrine Auto-injector use, and Naloxone Administration
 - Williston Park FD – Approved to us BLS CPAP
 - Nassau REMAC – Request Appointment of Dr. David Neubert as a Non-Voting Member of REMAC.
 - All Agencies Medical Directors & EDs – Transmitting Nassau BLS Protocol Supplements M-3 & M-17 and Advisory 17-06.1
 - ALS Services Inc. – Advising of Their Agency’s Suspension.
 - All Agencies Medical Directors & EDs – Transmitting Nassau REMSCo Advisory 17-07.1 and REMAC Advisories 17-07.1 & 17-07.2

REPORTS

Chairman – (DK) – Thanked Hofstra/Northwell Medical School for hosting the REMAC meeting. Read correspondence. Discussion on DOH BEMS&TS letter on medication expiration date extensions. It was decided that a copy of the DOH letter be sent to all agencies and a form should be created for agencies to report medications that they have extended, should be a monthly report.

SEMAC – (DK) – next meeting is September, will have a report at October meeting.

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

Protocol Subcommittee – (JR) – we had a meeting before this meeting and we have some 2nd Protocols to bring forward under Unfinished Business – see attached minutes.

Credentials Subcommittee – (DK) – see attached minutes, there will be 2nd motions under New Business.

Policy Subcommittee – (NK) – see attached minutes, there will be 2nd motions under Unfinished Business.

Regional Trauma Advisory Committee – (JJ) Dr. Axelrad reported on the ACS application status of various regional hospitals.

Unfinished Business

- Medication Shortage – Drug shortages, list noted, no comments.
- AEMT Protocols – 2nd **Motion** from Protocol Subcommittee to approve draft AEMT protocol changes III.B, F, W adding Ketamine with dosages, and III.U changing title and adding note at top (discussion with revisions, to include removing ETI since it is covered in the Airway Management Protocol) – motion Passed – unanimously.
- ALS Protocols – since the AEMT protocols were created to indicate stop lines for each advanced skill level, a **motion** was made to adopt the revised ALS protocols for use in Nassau – Hassett/Kirschen – motion Passed – unanimously. These will be sent out for the 30-day public comment period and if no comments are received then they can go into effect, if comments, then they will be taken up at the October REMAC meeting.
- ALS Policies – I.N – Syringe Epinephrine for Basic EMTs (new) – a 2nd **motion** from the Policy Subcommittee recommending approval – motion Passed – unanimously.

- I.T – Protocol Utilization (revised) – a 2nd **motion** from the Policy Subcommittee recommending approval – lengthy discussion – **motion** to table and send back to Policy Subcommittee – Guttenberg/Zaso – Unanimous.
- ALS Procedures – II.E – ALS Technician Credentialing (revised) – a 2nd **motion** from the Policy Subcommittee recommending approval – discussion ensued, **motion** to table and send back to the Policy Subcommittee – JKugler/Zaso – Unanimous.

New Business

- Roslyn Highlands H&L E&H – Request approval to use Naloxone Administration – **motion** to approve – Kirschen/Cherson – Passed Unanimously.
- EMS Field Physician – Dr. Moshe Weizberg submitted application to be credentialed as an EMS Field Physician for ALS Services, Inc. with caveat that he cannot operate until the agency is approved to operate in Nassau – Kirschen/Ryan – Passed Unanimously.

Chairman adjourned the meeting at 3:35pm.

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, **October 4, 2017** at 2:15PM
Location: NUMC Auditorium



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Memo

To: Dr. John Zaso

From: Frank Chester EMT-CC QI Coordinator

Date: 8/2/16

Subject: QI Report

- ALS credential database was updated July 24th & new cards printed July 28th, currently 828 ALS personal in database.
- Received 62 referrals & conducted follow-ups with no trends noted.
- Hospital turn-around times for ambulances are trending upward. We will continue to monitor the situation & report back.

NREMAC
Physician Credentialing Subcommittee

Date Wed. August 2, 2017

Time 14:00 pm

Hofstra/Northwell Medical School

Chair: David S. Kugler, MD

<u>Members:</u>	<u>X=PRESENT</u>
John Hassett	X
Chief Frank Chester	X
Dr. Neil Kirschen	X
Dr. Josh Kugler	X
Dr. Mark Safford	X

Guests attended: numerous

New Business:

- 1) NUMC
Submitted their listed of Medical Control Physician for credentialing, they have been trained and tested. It was unanimously decided that the list of physician should be sent to REMAC as a 2nd **motion** for approval of credentials.

- 2) Reviewed the updated Medical Control Physicians Credentials exam and answer key for 2017:
 - a. This exam was reviewed and approved for use. Will now replace the previous exam from older version of protocols. It was unanimously decided that the revised Medical Control Physicians exam should be sent to REMAC as a 2nd **motion** for approval.

- 3) Dr. Moshe Weisberg, of ALS Services Inc., applied to be approved as an EMS Field Physician. He submitted all the required documentation and was given the Medical Control Physicians exam which he passed.
 - a. It was unanimously decided that Dr. Weisberg’s application for EMS Field Physician should be sent to REMAC as a 2nd **motion** for approval.

- 4) Adjournment

Nassau REMAC Protocol Subcommittee
At Hofstra/Northwell Medical School
Meeting Summary – August 2, 2017

The meeting called to order at 1340 hours.

Present: James Ryan (Chair), Ken Adams, Frank Chester, Paul Divver, Gary Ferrucci, John Hassett, Don Hudson, David Kugler, Josh Kugler, Vincent Papasodero, Barry Rigney, Mark Safford, John Zaso,

Excused: Scott Glazer, Kevin O'Hara, Victor Politi, Joseph Zito

Absent: Peter Silver, Grace Ting

Guests: Richard Husch

Chairman – Reported on a discussion with using a titrated dose for Dextrose, it was the general consensus of the body to drop the issue.

Old Business

- Protocol III.U – Active Seizures/Status Epilepticus – discussion on protocol usage – it was decided to re-title the protocol and add a line at the top indicating that the protocol is for use on actively seizing patients – motion was made to send this to REMAC for approval.
- Ketamine Use – Protocols III.B, F, W – it was listed without any dosages. It was decided to add to III.B – 2-5 mg/kg IV or IO; III.F – 1 mg/kg IV/IO; III.W – 4 mg/kg IM or 2 mg/kg IV – motion was made to send this to REMAC for approval.
- ETI – Protocols III.M, N, R – discussion on removing ETI reference in these and others that reference it since they all state “Airway management” and this is specified in the airway management protocol – motion was made to send this to REMAC for approval.

Barry Rigney will redraft the ALS protocols and send them to the office for distribution for the 30-day comment period.

Meeting adjourned at 1400 hours.

Nassau REMAC Policy Subcommittee
Meeting Summary – July 17, 2017

Neil Kirschen, M.D., Chairman	P
Allen Cherson, M.D.	e
Frank Chester	P
Gary Ferrucci	
Ann Glazer	
Scott Glazer	P
John Hassett	P
David Kugler, M.D.	e
Josh Kugler, M.D.	P
Kevin O’Hara	P
Barry Rigney	P
Mark Safford, M.D.	e
Peter Timinelli	
John Zaso	
Guests	

Dr. Kirschen called the meeting to order at 1730hours - at REMSCo office, 131 Mineola Blvd., Suite 105, Mineola, NY

Unfinished Business

- None

New Business

- Policy I.T Protocol Utilization – Amend existing Policy
 - Procedure II.E ALS Technician Credentialing – Amend existing Procedure
 - Policy I.N Syringe Epinephrine for Basic EMTs – New Policy
- Motion** to approve amended Policy I.T, Procedure II.E and new Policy I.N – Chester/Rigney – Passed unanimously.

The Chair adjourned meeting adjourned at 2000 hours.