

**Broward Regional EMS Council
December 4, 2014
1:30 p.m.
MINUTES**

Subject	Discussion	Action/Follow-Up
Call to Order	Acting Chair Dr. Lee called the meeting to order.	1:32 p.m.
Roll Call	Staff called the roll and members were counted.	Validation of Quorum
Approval of Minutes from Sept 4, 2014	<p>Chair deferred the approval of the minutes until after the presentations.</p> <p>Motion: C. Neilson seconded Z. Ross to approve the minutes as submitted.</p>	Motion passes unanimously
Chair Report – EMS Review Appointment	Chairman Lee discusses Alison Zerbe as an appointee for M. House’s now vacant position on the EMS Review Committee.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Allison Zerbe is member of the EMS Review Committee.
➤ Old Business – Presentation	<p>City of Hollywood presented the Driving simulator for which they received an EMS Grant. They presented an overview of the simulator and the scenarios used: highlighting the efficacy in training drivers. It offers a low risk method to train and assess skills and is useful for behavior modification and coaching. Members discussed various details of the implementation and use.</p> <p>The training typically is run in a three hour block.</p>	<p>EMS Grant FY2014</p> <p>Presentation to be uploaded to EMS council website next week.</p>
<p>Good of the Order</p> <p>FaceTime for Stroke Patients</p>	<p>Staff</p> <p>Dr. Randy Katz presented for Dr. Mehta – MHS on the use of FaceTime technology in the initial assessment of large vessel stroke patients and the impact on activation of neurointerventional radiology and patient outcomes.</p> <p>Dr. Rouhani spoke on the field experience. Chief R. Gonzales notes 50% favourable outcomes on 30 cases so far. The previous outcomes numbers are around 20%.</p>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Council Vacancies in need of recommendations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Law Enforcement, Union Representative (Staff advised that there has not been a response to representation queries.) 	<p>W. Dix will reach out again to get a nomination.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Recent Appointments/reappointments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Physicians - Emergency Department Director from Memorial Healthcare System ▪ Hospitals – Nonprofit ▪ Organizations – American Red Cross, Broward County Chapter 	<p>Staff</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Appointed at Commission meeting: Sept 23, 2014.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dr. Frederick M. Keroff ▪ Dr. Mark Caputo ▪ David Dweck
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Recommendations for Appointment/Reappointment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Physicians – Public Health ▪ Broward League of Cities ▪ American Heart Association, Broward County Chapter ▪ ALS – Private Provider, Administration ▪ Broward County Bar Association 	<p>Staff</p> <p>C. Neilson briefly introduced A. Kessler: taking his place.</p> <p>Motion: C. Neilson to approve the nominations, seconded T. DiBernardo. No discussion.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dr. Paula Thaqi ▪ Jerry Graziose ▪ Dr. Antonio Gandia ▪ James Cecil ▪ Andrea Kessler <p>Motion passes unanimously</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Committee Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ EMS Grants ☆ Public Information, Education, Legislation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☆ Take 5 ☆ EMS Conference ☆ Legislative Issues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Z. Ross reports on the \$157,509.00 of funding received. He spoke about the requirements to apply and the future process. The grant period is from Nov. 13, 2014 to Oct. 30, 2015. ☆ J. Graziose spoke on behalf of J. Gordon on the progress with Take 5, the upcoming video contest, and recent changes at BECON. They are on board for the 2015 video contest. Student feedback from the Homestead race were favorable. The Take 5 message is tied into the Driver's Education programs, and featured on the buses. ☆ Three feet please for bicycle safety is the distance to give to safely pass. A new bike lane design on Bailey road is installed, and will require some driver/rider education. Preliminary feedback shows confusion on the design function. ☆ D. Donzella spoke on the conference planning progress. The conference is May 20-21, 2015 at the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino with over 500 attendees expected. Vendor Showcase will be expanded to two days with mini sessions expanded also. The website is www.firsttherefirstcare.com. ☆ W. Dix spoke on several bills – HB1 from Rep. Stark from Weston references texting and driving: increasing the penalty for texting and driving in a school zone and making it a primary offense. ☆ Also HB 19 is related to public safety, governing schools and concealed weapons. It deals with individuals designated by the principal to carry firearms. Formulates responses to active shooter and hostage situations in schools. 	<p>Contracts are in progress.</p> <p>Funding information is forthcoming and delayed due to staffing changes.</p> <p>Need input for future installations and information to put on the web for education on the new design.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Medical Issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Infectious Exposures * Stroke Tool ◆ EMS Review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☆ SB86 deals with developing a four year plan to promote medical tourism in Florida. This is an area of interest – the Department of Medical Opportunities in Florida. ☆ The last bill (no number given) relates to Autism – it requires physicians to refer minors for specialist followup care under certain circumstances. ☆ J. Graziose spoke on the school zones and the pending legislation - broward county has the largest program of school zone flashing lights in the country with 984 sites with flashing lights. T. DiBernardo spoke on the revisions to the infectious guide, and the move to create a basic operational guide for all pandemics based on transmission types and vectors, and then to focus on individual diseases and the specific guidance as they emerge. It combines the immediate and post exposure operational guides as well. * P. Antevy is absent. J. Downey spoke on the availability of the tool and to encourage agencies not presently using it to start using it and leave them at the hospitals for collection. Staff spoke also on Dr. Antevy's plan to meet to review the data and send to the Health Planning Council. The data will be redacted prior to submission for data gathering and analysis. ◆ K. Caputo spoke on the EMS Review committee. In September there was one NEMTS license approved to move before the Board. The next meeting has two applications to be considered: one ALS Rescue and one NEMTS. 	<p>This is available on the website. It is edited every 6 months - printing is prohibitive.</p> <p>Meeting immediately following</p>

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<p>➤ New Business</p>	<p>Dr. Kenigsberg presented a follow-up question to prior discussion about students presenting to fire stations with EKG requests for sports, and the need for community outreach. There is a need to develop a way of meeting this, primarily because of the need to have a cardiologist review the EKGs.</p> <p>Motion: Dr. El Sanadi - to start a working group headed by Dr. Kenigsberg to develop this and look at liability surrounding the community need and how best to meet it. Seconded W. Dix.</p> <p>Discussion: Drs. Kenigsberg, Mulligan, Rowe-King, and Kiffin were initially slated to be on this working group from prior discussion. Dr. El Sanadi also wishes to be involved. Question regarding the scope of the motion for public information: is it to divert the public or educate the paramedics on how to perform this service? Dr. El Sanadi clarifies that the intent of his motion is that the working group look at the entire issue and the liability and determine next steps. J. Graziose mentions that the Broward School Board has a working agreement with Broward Health and this could be dealt with simply in relation to the existing agreement. J. Graziose would like to send a notice to the director of athletics to address to students - deferred.</p>	<p>Follow up next week.</p> <p>Motion passes unanimously.</p>
<p>Infectious Disease Exercise</p>	<p>M. Ascarrunz addressed the recent EBOLA drill and issues that were identified. An after action review is forthcoming in a few weeks. Mr. Ascarrunz thanked Dr. Thaqi for her assistance with the drill.</p>	<p>Staff will explore further.</p>
<p>American Heart Association Recognition</p>	<p>Dr. Gandia mentions American Heart Association recognition criteria and the process of applying and nominating. Dr. Gandia recommends that we submit several applications for this as we meet criteria for recognition: the only thing missing is submission of the qualifying data. T. DiBernardo spoke on the medical issues evaluation on the STEMI and the process that Sunrise undertook to receive this.</p>	

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➤ Delegates/Attendance	Delegates – not discussed. When the meeting reminder is sent (two weeks prior to the meeting) please respond in the affirmative or the negative to determine a quorum.	
Next Meeting Dates	March 5, 2015 June 4, 2015 September 3, 2015 December 3, 2015	Please mark your calendars
Adjournment		2:40 pm