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Bill Bounds, Chair Brian LeCates, Vice-Chair Andy Robertson, Secretary

AGENDA March 15, 2016

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of Minutes
- 3. Regional Medical Director's Report
- 4. Pediatric Medical Director's/EMS-C Report
- 5. EMS Board Report
- 6. SEMSAC/Regional Affairs Report
- 7. MIEMSS Region IV Report
- 8. Agency Reports (Circle "yes" on the roster if you want to make a report)
- 9. Old Business
- 10. New Business
- 11. Adjournment

Next meeting May 17, 2016 @ 1330 hrs. At Nick Rajacich Health Ed. Ctr.

REGION IV EMS ADVISORY COUNCIL March 15, 2016 <u>Minutes</u>

Attendees: Trevor Steedman, Joseph Ciotola, MD, Scott Haas, Scott Wheatley, Andy Robertson, Justin Shockley, Greg Melvin, Michael Parsons, Steve White, Mary Alice Vanhoy, Dan Ochsenschlager, MD, Jennifer Nutley, Kristin McMenamin, Travis Nelson, Patrick Eckrich, Alana Long, Ryan Todd, Jon Krohmer, MD, Mike Deckard, Doug Walters, Andy Aswegan, MD, Denise Hill, Falon Beck, Brian LeCates, Bill Bounds, David Collins, Cyndy Wright-Johnson, John Barto, Anna Sierra.

The meeting was called to order by Bill Bounds

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made to approve the January 2016 minutes as written, seconded and passed.

Regional Medical Director's Report: No report.

Pediatric Medical Director's/EMSC Report: Cyndy Wright-Johnson– Star of Life and Right Care when It Counts: Reviewed the nominees for the various categories. No EMSC and no EMSG awards submitted. Reviewed EMSC Updates. "Children with special health care needs" will be presented as a pre-conference at EMS Care 2016. Child Passenger Safety Project is still working on programs with teens. Doing refreshers with nurseries.

SEMSAC Report: Scott Haas – Subcommittee to review how patient care reports are handed off to hospitals. Bottom Line - As long as the hand off report exists, the hospitals are going to have trouble getting electronic report. Prehospital providers need to do a better job of doing the electronic report. Interpretation: SEMSAC took this report and altered it to have it so electronic patient care report must be completed at patient hand off. However, logistically it is not practical to do this due to lack of access to wi-fi on units. Suggested that MIEMSS and EMS Board look into funding for access to electronic reports in units. •Integrated Health Care: Report presented at SEMSAC. Reviewed recommendations suggested by subcommittee. Montgomery County proposed going to alternate destinations. Scott reviewed this proposal.

Regional Affairs Report: No report.

EMS Board Report: Mary Alice Vanhoy –the Board had a lengthy discussion on what is happening with the new EMT testing program. She reviewed what was discussed and the concerns over MIEMSS issuing EMR cards to those students that did not pass written EMT exam. MIEMSS has extensively searched for written exams that could meet criteria. This only affected 500 +/- students that either failed or did not take the EMT written exam.

MIEMSS Region IV Report: John Barto – At last meeting Dr.Chiccone let us know that he was concerned about the Alert Status. He has volunteered to chair a Region IV Alert Committee to review the standards. •A Statewide Diversion Policy review group has been created. There will be representatives from all regions. •Dr. Ciotola has concerns about how slow MIEMSS is

moving on Mobile Integrated Community Health optional procedure. This concern has been expressed to our Central Office. MIEMSS has assured us that it will be moved forward. Once this is complete, we will then have a template for other jurisdictions that would like to start a program.

Anna Sierra – VAIP – This year there will only be updates for the new protocols. So they should be out on time. • eMEDS® Elite – Reviewed the features and results. Will be able to work on Apple products and android. Getting rid of Microsoft Silverlight. eMeds® contract needs to be updated for each county. Contract was sent to each county by Jason Cantera. Current data in eMEDS® will not transfer to Elite. Old system will be maintained for two years.

Agency Reports: No additional reports.

Old Business: Alert Policy Committee: already addressed.

New Business: ENA by the Bay will be held May 19th at MITAGS. EMS Care 2016 is April 29th thru May 1st. Election of Officers at May meeting. HJO's please plan to attend so we have a quorum on May 17th. Mary Alice reminded everyone that the Flu is starting to run rampant. Please put a mask on. Winterfest – Planning for 20th anniversary. If you have any ideas for speakers get in touch with Judy Micheliche.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.