State of Wisconsin Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board Emergency Medical Services Education and Training Meeting Minutes April 7, 2015

Members in attendance: List with WI EMS Office.

Others attending: List with WI EMS Office.

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Jim Austad at 10:07

<u>Introductions</u>: Everyone in attendance introduced him or herself.

Approval of Minutes: December meeting minutes moved, 2nd, approved.

Chair Report:

Comments from Committee Members: None

Ad Hoc Committee Report: None

<u>Unfinished Business</u>: See below.

Action Items:

| # | ITEM | DISCUSSION | DISPOSITION | PERSON RESPONSIBLE | OTHER COMMITTEE IF CROSSCUTTING ISSUE |
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| 1 | Hot Topics for 2016-2018 | Want training centers to get this | July 1, 2016 need hot topics to | | |
| | Biennium | information soon so they can be prepared | training centers | | |
| | | by July 1, 2016 for the new topics. Topics | | | |
| | | have been released for 2014-16 but | | | |
| | | resources have not been approved. | | | |
| 2 | Paramedic testing for | Are we looking for consistency with all | | | |
| | refreshers | levels? If we have been testing Basics why | | | |

are we not testing Paramedics? What is the number of people who have failed the refresher and had to retake it? Hard to tell. Test of competency. Validation of process. Discussion on the testing. Are we hurting ourselves by calling it testing instead of competency evaluation? Do we need to rebrand the term? How do you ensure the standards are being met at the service level? Consider pre-test and post-test to show improvement of competency. Keep thinking on how we can ensure everyone who practices is competent. How do you engage the medical directors? It is a lot of work for someone that will not be compensated for their work. Could potentially put on the renewal application if the committee finds this is important. Hope HCCs will help to pull in the medical directors and bring that back to the EMS Office. Suggestion to consider having WI move to the Mark King Initiative with National Registry. Cost factor is very important. A lot of medics have never been certified by National Registry. Renewal by assessment exam is only one attempt, and if you fail, need to take a refresher class. Need to consider a fail-safe process, allowing for more attempts before needing a refresher class. For next meeting, come with more information on refresher testing. Letter sent from Ryan Skabroud on behalf **EMR**

| | | of the Training Center Council. Jenny Ullsvik provided a response back to the Council. | | |
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| | | Recommendation from Training Centers is to not have flexible content for EMR. | | |
| | | Continue discussion at board meeting Wednesday. | | |
| 4 | Process for statewide initiatives | Table 4 and 5 for next meeting or Board meeting Wednesday | | |
| 5 | Different renewal period | | | |
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New Business: None

Correspondence: None

Agenda for Next Meeting:

Next meeting date: June 2, 2015

Adjournment: Move 2nd to adjourn, carried. Adjourned at 11:05am

Respectfully submitted,

Christy Thatcher-Baguhn