

Calhoun County Medical Control Authority

April 15, 2019

Kellogg Community College, EMS Conference Room
Battle Creek, MI

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

- I. **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 9:03 by Clark Imus, Secretary/Treasurer.

Board Members Present

Name	Represents	Position	Meeting Date: 4-16-2018			Attendance History
			Present	Excused	Absent	
Clark Imus	KCC	Sec/Treasurer	X			3/4
Mark Burke	Marshall FFA	At-Large Exe.	X			13/13
Rich Feole	911 Dispatch	Board Member	X			10/11
Betsy McDavid	Albion Comm. Amb	Board Member	X			3/3
Steve Frisbie	LifeCare Amb.	Board Member	X			13/13
Dorothy Malcolm	BBC ER Director	Chair	X			13/13
Martin Erskine	Urban MFR	Board Member	X			3/3
Kathy Cowles	BBC	Board Member	X			8/8
Angie Brown	Oaklawn Hospital	Board Member	X			13/13
Daryl Cummins	Rural MFR	Board Member	X			3/4
Michael Chapman	CCMCA	Medical Director	X			5/6
Theresa Dawson	Oaklawn Hospital	Board Member	X			4/5

Others Present-Spenser Bogdan-Bronson Methodist Hospital

Additions or Deletions to the Agenda-Steve Frisbie-Add Epi Injections for EMT's and Marty Erskine-AED and Epi Logs. Both topics added to New Business.

Introductions/Announcements-Spenser Bogdan introduced himself-EMS Liaison for Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo County. By default he is working in other counties as well-duties include quality improvement, working with EMS Provider Agencies and committee work regarding EMS and Bronson Methodist Hospital.

Daryl Cummins shared a community question regarding AED machines-no change

in use. He also had a question regarding a free Narcan provider in Kalamazoo County. There must be training, logs and storage to meet protocol requirements but it is okay to obtain Narcan through this source. Note: This is a Grant Funded Program and will eventually go away.

Clark Imus shared the new tuition adjustment for the EMS Programs courses at KCC and encouraged all to share the information. It does amount to about a 20% decrease in our tuition. We are currently accepting applications for the 2019-2020 year. He also shared that we KCC has been awarded another five year accreditation from CoAEMSP.

Approval of Minutes- Clark Imus reminded the group that it has been a while since they have been together and spoke to previous minutes referring to Dr. Vaughn; PSRO; medication shortages, finance committee, BLS Criteria; drug bags; protocol test all remain under discussion. He reminded the group that Dr. Chapman has been voted in as medical director via electronic vote.

Motion to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried. (Burke/Frisbie)

Public Forum: None

II. **Committee/Officer Reports:**

- A. Medical Director Report/PSRO Committee** –Dr. Chapman reported changes in PSRO include personnel. Dr. Chapman is the new Medical Director. The committee has committed to focusing on pre-hospital care foundation. Committee will be reviewing cases on a regular basis while recognizing errors in the past, he provided information on the future process as a more proactive initiative. Each month will have a review topic i.e. Airway-cases reviewed will have feedback both positive and negative. He also talked about automatic discussions including concerns between provider organizations and low volume, critical skill procedures for a more proactive approach to making pre-hospital care better. There will be a better reporting process moving forward with an inclusion of self-definition-who, what is the PSRO and what do they do? Clark included information on defining and sharing purpose of PSRO as a goal for the committee including the creation of a mission statement. Clark shared information on the update and easier use of the CCMCA web page for information and for complaint/concerns form on the page. He also shared the recognition of how important communication has been and will be moving forward. PSRO is in the process of creating a single data base to facilitate communication directly to providers. Dr. Chapman reiterated the need for contact info as a positive thing. Questions re: running topics for PSRO; reporting systems in use for follow up and feedback; use of multiple tracking programs to obtain the run information, Dr. Chapman thanked the group for their confidence in him and the appointment and made a request of Dorothy Malcolm for a new assistant medical director. More to follow.

Motion to accept the PSRO Committee report. Motion carries. (Erskine/Burke)

- B. Education Committee**-Clark Imus reported that the committee continues to be committed to high quality cpr training. They are currently working on a protocol for high quality effective cpr training/pit crew cpr training. There are several different versions and the committee feels using AHA standards for compressions, with high performance teams, recognizes the training already in place with some enhancements. The training calls for use of the Defib Tech or another type of manual compression device. More to follow.
Working to develop some type of annual training for Calhoun County, perhaps partnering with Kalamazoo County. The goal is to provide county wide training on an annual basis to test the EMS systems in place. There seems to be a call for the training and multiple service providers that want to participate. Including communication is a challenge as these incidents are worked through. Caution regarding time constraints, resources and feedback-communication. More to follow.
Education funding questions-use of part of the line item of 5000.00 to continue paying for the Protocol App to the tune of approximately 2200.00.
- C. Finance Committee (Clark Imus)** – Clark provided the printed financial report. Assets-249,599.62 and cash on hand 126, 719.14. Investments and loan to MAFFAA make up the difference. No changes to the budget from 2018.
Dues statements have been sent and Clark reported on a couple of outstanding bills but all looks good and appropriate at this time. **Motion to accept the financial report and pay the bills as presented. Motion carries.**
- D. Regional MCA Network**-Dr. Chapman reported efforts by the MCA to increase involvement with Region 5. He is concerned with some of the bureaucracy but both he and Clark intend to maintain a presence at the meetings.

Old Business:

- A. Protocol Update/Correction**-Clark reported that he has not yet heard from the State of Michigan regarding the errors and a corrected protocol. He will circle back around with the state. As soon as he gets a copy it will be forwarded to folks and plans for training will be put into effect. More to follow.

New Business:

- A. Medical Director Transition**-Dr. Chapman addressed the transition-Dr. Vaughn left the state for a new position and by electronic vote Dr. Chapman moved into the Medical Director position. He shared his concern about filling an assistant chair position most especially due to his military commitment. He gave the group his cell phone number and has said he is always available via phone or text. He also shared his email address. Motion to name Dr. Chapman as the Medical Director. Motion carries. (Frisbie/Malcolm) Contact info-phone 810-730-9576; email- mchapman@oaklawnhospital.com
- B. Medical Control Privileges**-Clark reported on discussions regarding testing/training for providers to acquire/maintain privileges in Calhoun County. Other counties require medics and basics to test prior to issuing privileges. The

goal is to make sure our providers know their basics. This testing/training would be required for providers and mimic language from other counties. The skills include ACLS , current BLS , pediatric requirement, trauma certification, a set number of skills the agencies would document and submit a roster to the MCA including intubation needle Cricothyrotomy, low frequency high acuity skills. This requirement would allow the agencies to “test” as needed and then submit the verification to the MCA. The idea is to work to ensure the skills we need from providers are there and if there are shortcomings agencies are in the position to help providers improve. There will be a one year time frame for the training.

Discussion re: MFR agencies not included and they make up the majority of our county provider population-not including them was to ease the burden of training especially due to the costs associated with time and personnel. More to follow.

C. Medications Shortage-Everyone is being affected by medication shortages including the pharmacies that provide the meds. There is obviously concerns that all the drug bags in Calhoun County are the same even as drug companies are offering alternatives and then every bag is supplied with the same alternatives. There are concerns about pre-loaded Epi pens versus pulling a dose at the MFR level. There is a protocol that allows the MFR agencies to be trained and then dose, most especially due to the shortages and the difference in costs. The training can be a logistical nightmare. There must be a paper trail on the training for verification purposes. Discussion followed training, replacement of medications for smaller agencies, costs associated with medications, options for the agencies. More to follow.

Steve Frisbie shared a concern about ketamine dosing issues. Everyone was fine but he feels more training is needed. Discussion followed.

Clark reported approval for use of iGel as long as the requirements for training, documentation and curriculum used is submitted and approved by the PSRO Committee. Question re: MCA covering initial costs for agencies, curriculum. MCA will look for a cost coverage proposal to review to make the initial investment for iGels. More to follow.

Discussion re: Equipment maintenance recordkeeping, State of Michigan requirements, MCA responsibility.

Marty Erskine reported on an episode of a show on the Weather Channel revisiting the I-94 accident 5 years ago from a mutual aid, EMS, Fire and Police response. He was interviewed and discussion followed about the day. It was agreed that it was certainly a massive incident with many lessons to be learned.

What Went Well and What Needs to Improve-

Announcements-None

VI. Adjournment-Meeting adjourned at 10: am. by Dorothy Malcolm.