

SAEMS

SOUTHEAST ARIZONA EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNCIL

Chair: Joshua Gaither, MD; Vice Chair: Chief Tom Brandhuber; Executive Director: Sara Perotti, ACNP-BC

SAEMS REGIONAL EMS COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date: 4/16/2024

Time: 1000

Hybrid Format: ZOOM Teleconference and/or in-person.

Meeting location: Arizona Health Sciences Library

ZOOM Conference link below: (for video attendees):

<https://arizona.zoom.us/j/82961605824>

Meeting ID: 829 6160 5824

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- I. Call to Order / Roll Call:** Voting Member Attendance: 1001
- II. Approval of minutes:** 1/16/2024 meeting: Vote/approved.
- III. Financial Report:**
 - A. Financial Report/Accountant summary: To be distributed electronically. Sara discussed funding issues. Discussion of future use. Dr. Tang recommends adjustment. Vote/approved. Sara discussed account status and interest bearing.
 - B. Regional EMS Education/Certification Grant: Status report: No vote required.
 - C. AZDHS FY 2023-2024: Ongoing contract
 - D. FY 2024-2025 Budget: Continuing
- IV. Executive Directors Report:** Updates/activities.
 - A. Arizona Corporation Commission filing: Done
 - B. AZDHS EMS & Trauma Strategic Planning Summit Summary: Brief discussion and thank you to BHM for keeping contact list up to date.
- V. Old Business & Sub-Region/Committee Reports**
 - A. Sub-regional Reports:**
 - i. Pima: PEMS: Kevin-PSAP position filled, and additional position filled.
 - ii. Cochise: CCEMS: Matt: Discussed EMCT funding, book/scholarship requests. Financial support for accident funding from CCEMS council.
 - iii. Santa Cruz: SCEMS-Chris: Submitted for EMS provider of the year. Submitted for training and funding. Supported paramedic students, handful the new funding will support.
 - iv. Graham-Greenlee: GG-CMEMS-Eric: End of January celebrated EMS banquet. EMS week in a couple of weeks. Working on goals,

continuing to review bylaws. Injury prevention and outreach ongoing.

B. Committee Reports:

- i. Regional Trauma Committee: Dr. Tang-Restarted RTC met and included SJH included in meeting. Data reports were presented. Meeting was meet/greet to get back on track. Injury prevention discussed and promoted respective to GSW injuries. Future goals better engagement from rural centers. Important to have rural participation.
- ii. EMS Medical Directors: Dr. Herbert-Last month meeting, Dr. Gaither served as chair. New secretary was elected, Alex Booth was elected, appreciate her support and willingness to assist. Gina left role. Oriented to new role with Dr. Herbert. PDR agenda items were reviewed and passed.
- iii. Providers Committee Report: Greg VanAlstine, no agenda items, general announcements only.
- iv. Protocol Development and Review Report: Vacancies being filled. Next meeting tomorrow, 4/17/24.
- v. Base Hospital Managers Report: Meeting tomorrow, Mojo stepped down at Carondelet, accepted role at AZDHS with the training division. Will continue to update contact list. TEPI position will be open, Shelly mentioned it will need to add to next agenda.
- vi. Air Medical Committee Report: Mikes notes discussed during meeting. Dr. Gaither presented Mikes comments. *Include from Mikes email.

C. Pima County Health Department Report: Manny Montano: Border crossings down, federal money extended through June. Minimal number of EMS coming to shelters, including communicable diseases. Transport ventilators still available. Members of SAEMS have been provided vents. N95 masks available.

D. Arizona Department of Health Services Report: ADHS Representative: Adam Rodriguez provided Summit report. Large turnout in person for drafting future planning. SWOC analysis and (put topics in meeting minutes). Great feedback, report is in draft phase. Rulemaking still in process for critical care paramedic. May 1st scope of practice meeting. Abriana with EMSC launching a peds EMS readiness assessment forward looking to next 5 years. Vacancy for SAEMS voting member. NRP training available for medics and EMT's. Shelley discussed May 1st table 1 EMCT drug box will be discussed if time permits. Combined meeting. Meeting from 1000-1400, google link and on AZDHS website. Agenda and attachments to website tomorrow. Dave: Naloxone leave behind, to be distributed to participating agencies.

VI. Data & Quality: No submissions. Please submit if you would like to present.

VII. Kramer Scholarship submissions: None

VIII. New-Old Business/Action Items:

A. PDR Protocols/Procedures for review/approval: Dr. Rice presented/discussed:

Vote/approved.

- a. Edits to interfacility transport protocol
- b. Refusal: recommend removing SAEMS (refer to TTTG)
- c. Abuse and Neglect: recommend removing SAEMS (refer to TTTG)
- B. SAEMS Regional Council: Open seat: EMS Provider URBAN-Nominations open
- C. SAEMS DHS Pediatric Advisory Council for Emergency Services (PACES)
Representative: Nominations open
- D. Regional EMS Education Grant: No new updates.
- E. EMT of the Year: Discuss final submissions/committee. Vote required. Vote/
- F. Grant funding request: Southwest Regional Trauma Conference: Kevin made a motion to discuss. Conference is a great conference, recommends discussion to keep and/or increase funding. Kevin asked split for going to scholarship attendees versus funding conference. Dr. Rice recommends designation to support providers to attend conference. Kevin asks cost per individual based on when they register. \$295.00 for two days if meet early bird. Dr. Tang makes a motion to increase funding support to \$25,000 with \$3,000 focus on scholarships to rural agencies. Seconded by Kevin, with amendment to increase scholarships for increase to \$30,000. Discussion, support increase in scholarships. Dr. Tang requests spreading word to apply for scholarships and submit interest. Motion to fund for \$30,000 with 20-30 scholarship designated with flexibility to Dr. Tang and his team.
Vote/Approved.
- G. 2024 Calendar: Hybrid *no new schedule amendments

IX. NEMSIS 3.5 update: Reach out to DHS for any updates.

X. Upcoming Events/Important Announcements: Kevin: Boeing star-liner with potential landing in Wilcox.

XI. Call to the public: Dr. Cooper discussed challenges with patient care reports. Considering variables, will improve ability to access patient care reports. Ease of use, access, and patient care reports. TMC sees 1500 transports a month with no patient outcome data. Hospital is looking into ESO. Check with vendors to assess fee and intention is not to cost money. Sepsis coordinator mentioned that the way EMS documents fluid administration doesn't meet data requirements from CMS for mandatory data entry points. Do not want it to be cost prohibitive, please discuss barriers. Dr. Gaither recommended discussion at BHM and EMS providers. SAEMS will support conversation to facilitate conversation. BHM will put on agenda for meeting, Greg will place on Providers meeting agenda to assist in getting all regional members to the same platform. Matt asked about AZDHS has comment using image trend which would need to go to data side at DHS.

XII. Education Announcements: 33rd Annual Southwest Regional Trauma Conference (SWRTC): June 6-7th

XIII. Adjourn: 1113