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# **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 19, 2021**

Present: Joseph Schmider, Texas-Chair

Donnie Woodyard, Colorado-Vice Chair

Joe House, Kansas-Secretary Wayne Denny, Idaho-Treasurer

Justin Romanello, Member-at-Large, New Hampshire

Absent:

Guests:

Doug Wolfberg, Page, Wolfberg and Wirth
Dan Manz, EMS Compact
Ray Mollers, NREMT
Tracy Henson, NREMT

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Schmider called the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice to order at 3:00 p.m. Friday, March 19, 2021 and took roll call.

### **AGENDA REVIEW**

Chair Schmider opened the floor for any comments on the agenda, hearing none, moved on.

# **MINUTES**

Chair Schmider asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the March 5, 2021. Hearing none, House moved for approval; Denny seconded. Motion approved.

# **REPORTS**

#### **Treasurer**

Denny submitted the Treasurer's report; the current balance is \$44,266.51. Chair Schmider asked if there were any questions regarding the report. Hearing none, Romanello moved for approval; House seconded. Motion approved.

#### Chair

Chair Schmider provided an update on the Executive Director position

- Position Posting
  - Advertise March 1- March 31, 2021
  - Selected candidate to start July 1, 2021
  - It was asked that those on the call share the posting with industry agencies and colleagues
  - Applicants should complete the application form linked to the Compact website
- Executive Director Contract Discussion
  - Executive Committee will move into Executive Session at the conclusion of the meeting to discuss the Executive Director contract

#### **NREMT**

Moller informed the committee that the National Registry is moving forward with the purchase of the Kinetico platform for the Compact website.

Tilton updated the committee on the database

- There are 27 state users in the production site
- Several states are working in the production state
- Several states are slated to begin the QA process and move to production at the end of March, early April
- Monthly report sent to Manz for distribution

## Educator

Manz updated the committee on the following:

- Commissioner Calls-Number of Licensed/Certified Personnel
  - o Still waiting on responses from 6 states
  - Current count of licensed personnel participating in the privilege to practice through the EMS Compact is 244,647 individuals
- Draft Rules Update
  - o One comment received to date
- Website Redesign Task Force
- DOD Family Liaison Office
  - The Council of State Governments and the DOD entered into a cooperative agreement to support the development of new interstate compacts for occupational licensure
  - Compacts will help transitioning military spouses in state-licensed occupations from relicensing efforts
  - https://web.csg.org/tcs/2020/10/14/new-grant-awarded-developing-interstate-compacts-for-occupational-licensure/
- States
  - o Several states are changing delegate representation: working on official paperwork
  - Several states have reached out for assistance with legislative language on joining the Compact
  - Romanello updated the group that the New Hampshire Senate voted to repeal membership in the Compact, now moving to the House for vote

# **OTHER BUSINESS**

## Full Commission Meeting Agenda

Chair Schmider lead the discussion regarding agenda items for the full commission meeting on April 9, 2021

- Introduction of new member states and commissioners
- Annual report
- Rule Hearing-discussion and vote
- Full commission meeting cadence
- Elections: Vice-Chair and Treasurer
- Data sharing concerns discussion
- · Report Updates: Chair, Treasurer, NREMT and Educator
- Would like to send to the commissioners by close of business on March 22, 2021

# April Executive Committee Meeting Date

Discussion: Move April 16, 2021 Executive Committee meeting to April 23, 2021

Will determine at the conclusion of the Full Commission meeting on April 9, 2021

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chris Lake, IAFF shared with the Executive Committee IAFF's reasoning to support their public comment regarding not eliminating Rule 11.7, as IAFF believes elimination would conflict with legislation. Mr. Lake was encouraged to attend the Full Commission meeting on April 9 to share IAFF's concerns.

With no further public business, Woodyard motioned to move to Executive Session, at the adjournment of the Executive Committee meeting, to discuss the Executive Director contract and to have general counsel present; Denny seconded. Discussion - Counsel Doug Wolfberg certified that an Executive Session could be held for matters regarding employment and personnel matters as well as the negotiation of contracts. No further discussion. Vote was unanimous, motion approved.

With no further business brought before the Commission, Romanello motioned to adjourn; Denny seconded; Chair Schmider adjourned the meeting at 3:29 p.m. Friday, March 19, 2021.

The Executive Committee convened their executive session commencing at 3:30 p.m. Friday March 19, 2021 and concluding at 4:03 p.m. Friday March 19, 2021. Commissioners Schmider, Woodyard, Romanello, House, and Denny were present as well as legal counsel Doug Wolfberg. No action was taken during the executive session.

Full Commission Meeting is April 9, 2021 at 3:00 PM (EDT)

Next EC conference call is April 16, 2021 at 3:00 PM (EDT)

Respectfully submitted,

Commissioner Joe House, Kansas

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