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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF July 17, 2020

Present: Joseph Schmider, Texas-Chair

Jeanne-Marie Bakehouse, Colorado-Vice-Chair

Joe House, Kansas-Interim Secretary Stephen Wilson, Alabama-Treasurer

Justin Romanello, New Hampshire-Member-at-Large

Guests:

Dan Manz, EMS Compact

Doug Wolfberg, Page, Wolfberg and Wirth Dave Newton, Commissioner-Georgia Marina Fox, Georgia Bureau of

Investigation

Bill Seifarth, NREMT Mark Terry, NREMT 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 3:01 p.m. Friday, July 17, 2020 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 June 5, 2020. Hearing none, Bakehouse (Colorado) moved for approval; Wilson (Alabama) seconded. Motion approved.

REPORTS

Treasurer Report

- Compact balance: \$34,531.51
- Normal expenditures
- Chair Schmider asked if there were any additions or corrections to the report. Hearing none, Romanello (New Hampshire) moved for approval; House (Kansas) seconded. Motion approved.

NREMT Update

- Policy & Procedures
 - Updated policy and procedures draft approved by NREMT legal; forwarded to Wolfberg and Executive Committee for review and approval
 - Wolfberg and EC to review and comment at August 7 meeting
 - o No data will exchange prior to execution of policy
 - ImagineTrend agreement has been updated and awaiting signature

- Database Updates
 - o Name changed to: National EMS Coordinated Database
 - Will take a few IT cycles for official name change in all appropriate areas
 - o Commonwealth of Virginia and Colorado ready to move forward once all agreements are executed

OTHER BUSINESS

Background Check Discussion

- Concern with sharing of criminal information/findings
- Fox stated based on statute, Georgia is prohibited from sharing criminal history with the Compact
- Fox shared with the committee that the current language regarding background checks should not included the language *Criminal History*, as Compact designations Qualified and Disqualified tie back specifically to criminal background findings
- Newton stated Qualified in the Georgia database does not match the rule stated in the Compact
 - Suggested a change in language to state Eligible or Ineligible due to results of background check
 - Newton questioned what NREMT required, Mollers responded data belongs to state and will only include what each state shares
 - Wolfberg acknowledged there is a disconnect in the Compact language as Criminal History Record Information (CHR) is not specifically requested
- It was proposed the language be changed
 - Schmider and Manz will draft language for review and discussion at the August 7, 2020 meeting

New Hampshire Update

Commissioner Romanello shared with the committee NH has an Omni Bill-HB1234 before the governor that will repeal the REPLICA. There are groups that are concerned with non-union personnel crossing state lines. Unsure if there is line-item veto capacity. Romanello will keep the committee updated.

PUBLIC COMMENT

With no further business brought before the Commission, House (Kansas) motioned to adjourn; Wilson (Alabama) seconded; Chair Schmider adjourned the meeting at 3:51 p.m. Friday, July 17, 2020.

Next EC conference call is August 7, 2020 at 3:00 PM (EDT)