

**APPROVED** March 27, 2024  
CONNECTICUT EMS ADVISORY BOARD  
**February 28, 2024 at 0900 hours**  
**Hybrid**

Board Members	G. Allard, L. Bolton (P), S. Caffyn, W. Perez, R. Guthrie, M. Daniels, K. McClaine, J. Beaulieu (P), M. Loiz (P), J. Paretzky (P), A. Romano, I. Smith, J. Spencer, S. Martus, J. Quinlavin (P), D. Tompkins, K. Ferrarotti (P), K. Coupe (P), B. Zura, S. Conley
Non-Member Committee Chairs	M. Osborne (Education and Training), B. Morris (CMED)
Regional Council Presidents	L. Goodman (Region 1), W. Fitzmaurice (Region 2), K. Aroh (Region 3)
EMSC	
OEMS Staff:	R. Calciano (P), J. Reynolds (P), M. Zacchera (P), K. Hickcox (P), A. Pugliese, F. Glowski (P), R. Kamin (CEMSMAC) (P)
Guests	M. Fletcher, T. Schietinger, P. Canning, A. Tisdale, S. Varga, J. Way, R. Rautio, P. Gauthier
Board Chair	W. Schietinger (P)

Meeting opened at 09:02

\*In Person (P) = 13

\*Remote = 28

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION LED BY:</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
Moment of Silence for Lost EMS Providers	W. Schietinger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• David Plante (EMT American, Taffville FF)</li> <li>• John Schwartz (EMT Trumbull EMS, AMR Bridgeport)</li> <li>• Maureen Alex, AMR</li> <li>• Richard Hutchins, Canton</li> <li>• Debbie Lee Angell, Winsted</li> </ul>	None required.
Meeting Minutes from January 2024	W. Schietinger		<p>Motion to accept January 24, 2024 minutes</p> <p>1<sup>st</sup> J. Paretzky 2<sup>nd</sup>, J. Beaulieu</p> <p>Minor correction to attendance</p> <p>Motion passed unanimously</p>
Public comment		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>	
Presentation	.		
Chair's Report	W. Schietinger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thanks to those that showed up at LOB for Medicaid increase for EMS; review of presentation</li> <li>• Senate Bill 179</li> </ul>	
OEMS, written report submitted for February 2024	R. Calciano	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of Report</li> </ul>	
EMSC Report	M. Petrucelli	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• March 22<sup>nd</sup> PEC conference</li> </ul>	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EMS Survey will come out in May</li> </ul>	
Breakout Session		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None</li> </ul>	
<b>Committee Reports</b>			
CEMSMAC	R. Kamin, Feb. minutes distributed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review of report</li> <li>Protocols; 2024.1 to be released in approximately a week</li> </ul>	
CMED and SIEC Committee	B. Morris	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No report</li> </ul>	None
Council of Regional Presidents (CORP)	W. Fitzmaurice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Did not meet in February; next meeting today</li> <li>Continue to work on annual report</li> <li>Work continues on ctemscouncils website to CORP; with help of Lee Goodman</li> <li>Legislative meetings; Monroe EMS (joint Region 1 and Region 3, March 23, 9 am</li> </ul>	
Data Committee	K. Coupe, February minutes distributed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>High performance agency project</li> <li>Data collection process review; Questions welcomed</li> </ul>	

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Education and Training Committee	M. Fletcher January minutes distributed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Who can train EMS instructors;</li> <li>• Education for EMR Epinephrine and EMR/EMT IM Naloxone posted on website</li> <li>• EMS I conference is 3/18</li> </ul>	
Health and Wellness Committee	K. Ferrarotti, February meeting minutes distributed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Met last week</li> <li>• OSHA Medicaid 156; proposed changes from EMS;</li> </ul>	
Legislative Committee	M. Loiz	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Met 2/15, next meeting 3/14</li> <li>• Starting to have a weekly meeting regarding what is happening currently at the legislation, to stay on top of it in real time</li> <li>• Pizza and politics in February</li> <li>• Region 1 and 2 breakfast</li> <li>• Review of a few of the 42 bills</li> <li>• Medicaid increase</li> <li>• Senate bill 179</li> <li>• EMS treating dogs</li> <li>• HB 5105</li> <li>• Bill 5279</li> <li>• EMS on the Hill is April 17 &amp; 18 in Washington DC</li> </ul>	
Mobile Integrated Healthcare Committee	J. Beaulieu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Met last week</li> <li>• March 13<sup>th</sup> all day event at CHA – Wallingford</li> </ul>	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M. Zacchera – MIH has been approved by DPH; proposal is with the office of the governor; hoping to go live and accept applications at the conference</li> </ul>	
Nominating and Membership Committee		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report</li> </ul>	
Regional Preparedness and Collaboration Committee	K. Ferrarotti	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Released a survey regarding State of EMS; goal is to get a status check of where EMS is at</li> </ul>	
Trauma Committee		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report</li> </ul>	
Action Items	W. Schietinger		
Old Business	W. Schietinger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No update</li> </ul>	
New Business	W. Schietinger	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EMS Week 2024 (J. Beaulieu)</li> <li>• Discussion on how regulations are developed and enacted</li> </ul>	
Next Meeting	March 27		
Adjournment	10:54 am		Motion to adjourn

Respectively submitted by:  
Angela Pugliese, OEMS

**EMS Advisory Board Upcoming Meeting Schedule:**

**2024**

~~Jan 24~~ | ~~Feb 28~~ | Mar 27 | Apr 24 | May 22 | June 26 | July 24 | Aug 28 | Sept 25 | Oct 30 | Dec 4