

**Western Regional Emergency Medical System, Inc.**

**Medical Advisory Committee**

**Minutes - May 18, 2005**

The WREMAC met Wednesday, May 18, 2005 at 3:00pm in the Chef's Restaurant, Buffalo, NY.

**Attendance:** See enclosure

The first item of business was to approve the March 16, 2005 minutes. J. Blum made a motion to accept, second by G. Collins. Approved.

**WREMS Report: C. Czamara - CEO**

- MD Base Station Course will be held June 28, 2005 at the WREMS office.
- We ask each WREMAC member to forward their e-mail address to [cris@wrems.org](mailto:cris@wrems.org) so we can e-mail minutes and other information.

**Correspondence: J. Takats**

- A letter was received from M. Martin MD regarding agencies for which he had provided medical direction in Niagara County. He officially submitted his resignation to provide services to these agencies.

**WREMAC Chairman report:** No report

**SEMAC/SEMSCO report:** No report

**Nurse Advisory Committee:** No report

**Prehospital Advisory Care Committee: R. Crist WREMS – COO for G. Gill**

- The committee met and would like to recommend to the ALS Protocol sub-committee that protocol inservices be the same as the past, to include open book exams.

**Sub-committee Reports:**

**Disaster Committee: J. Teuscher**

- Dr. Dice would like to come to the June meeting to give a brief presentation regarding the postal services screening of mail for bio-terrorism.

**ALS Protocol Committee: S. Lakomy**

- Draft copies were handed out and will be mailed out to those not in attendance. Please review the draft, send comments to S. Lakomy.
- Various policy changes were reviewed.
- J. Blum requested to add Versed to the optional medication list. The WREMAC members in attendance approved this request.

**QI Committee:** No report

**Equipment Committee:** No report

**Research and Education Committee:** No report

**Ad Hoc Specialty Care Committee: J. Teuscher**

- A possible final draft will be presented at the next meeting.

**Ad Hoc Selective Spinal Immobilization Committee: J. Teuscher**

- Our committee will finalize its activity when the SEMAC completes their study.

**Ad Hoc 12 Lead Committee: J. Teuscher**

- The committee continues to make progress and is awaiting NYSDOH cardiac pilot program guidelines.

**Unfinished Business:**

**EMT-I Cardiac Bridge Course: J. Teuscher**

- The curriculum is near completion. Clinical time still needs to be worked out.

**Article 78 Petition: J. Takats**

- The Attorney General's Office notified us that Trans Am Article 78 petition was over turned. On May 11 we received a letter from the Attorney General's office that Trans Am appealed the decision. Discussion: Walt Reisner stated that he was going to withdraw the appeal.

**WREMAC Operating Guidelines: J. Takats**

- Copies of the draft of the Operating Guidelines were handed out and will be made available to the REMSCOS and mailed to all members who have not yet received them. Comment period will exist until August 31. Please submit comments and recommendation to the chair during this time.

**New Business:**

- There was a request for a motion to approve a change in medical direction for Safford FD from L. Campbell to S. Lopez, Alden FD from M. Ferguson to J. Borton, and to approve Jamestown FD to administer albuterol. The motion was made to accept by J. Teuscher, seconded by J. Blum. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00pm.

**The next WREMAC meeting will be Wednesday, June 15, 2005 starting at 3:00pm in the Chef's Restaurant. This will be the last meeting until September.**

Motion to adjourn at 4:00pm by J. Blum.

Respectfully submitted

Joseph Takats DO  
WREMAC Chairman