



Meeting Minutes March 21, 2022

● ATTENDANCE

	NAME	CATEGORY	OFFICER / COMMITTEE CHAIR	TERM	2021-05	2021-07	2021-09	2021-11	2022-01	2022-03
1	Allen, Reg	Monroe County At Large (Seat 2)	System Operations	3/31/2022	P	A	P	P	A	P
2	Arnold, William	Monroe County At Large (Seat 1)		3/31/2025	P	P	A	P	P	P
3	Cook, Alex	Livingston County At Large (Seat 2)	Treasurer	3/31/2023	P	P	P	P	P	P
4	Coyle, Thomas	Monroe County C.O.N. (Seat 1)		3/31/2025	E	P	P	P	P	P
5	Cushman, Jeremy	Regional Medical Director		Ex-Officio	P	P	P	P	E	P
6	Czapranski, Tim	Monroe County EMS Coordinator		Ex-Officio	P	P	P	P	P	P
7	Dewar, Karen	Livingston County EMS Coordinator		Ex-Officio	P	P	P	P	P	P
8	Erbland, Edward	EMS Training / Education	Training & Ed	3/31/2024	P	E	P	P	P	P
9	Farney, Aaron	REMAC Representative		3/31/2025	P	P	P	P	P	P
10	Frost, Tim	At Large EMS Agency (Seat 3)		3/31/2025	E	P	P	P	P	A
11	Cassin, James	At Large EMS Agency (Seat 4)		3/31/2025	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	P	P	P
12	Vacant	At Large EMS Agency (Seat 2)		3/31/2023	E	E	A	A	Vacant	Vacant
13	Kelly, Timothy	Livingston County At Large (Seat 3)	Vice Chair / N.E.G.	3/31/2025	P	P	A	P	P	P
14	Kirchoff, Thomas	At Large EMS Agency (Seat 1)		3/31/2025	P	P	P	P	P	P
15	Klueber, Geordie	Livingston County BLSFR		3/31/2023	E	P	P	P	P	P
16	Lindskoog, Jonathan	Livingston County At Large (Seat 1)		3/31/2025	P	P	P	P	P	P
17	Mustafa, Ahmed	Monroe County At Large (Seat 4)		3/31/2024	P	P	P	P	P	P
18	Philippy, Mark	At Large EMS Agency (Seat 1)	Chairperson	3/31/2025	P	E	P	P	P	P
19	Perez, Andrew	Monroe County C.O.N. (Seat 2)		3/31/2024	P	P	P	P	P	P
20	Puls, Megan	Healthcare Representative (Seat 2)		3/31/2024	P	P	A	P	P	E
21	Rathfelder, Eric	Law Enforcement		3/31/2023	P	P	P	P	E	P
22	Smith, Merideth	Community		3/31/2025	E	E	E	P	P	P
23	Tinelli, Samuel	Livingston County C.O.N.	Secretary	3/31/2023	P	P	P	P	P	P
24	Williams, John	Monroe County – BLSFR		3/31/2024	P	P	P	P	P	A
25	Vacant	Healthcare Representative (Seat 1)		N/A	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT
26	Vacant	Healthcare Representative (Seat 3)		N/A	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT

LEGEND: Present = P Excused Absents = E Unexcused Absents = A

●Actions

	MOTION	MADE BY	SECOND	ABSTAIN	NAY	APPROVED
1	Approve January 22 Meeting Minutes	Bill Arnold	Jim Cassin			X
2	Approve Finance Report	Sam Tinelli	Tim Kelly			X
3	Move Remac Meeting to observe Juneteenth	Aaron Farney	Sam Tinelli			X

●Meeting called to order
●Attendance – Secretary call roll - Sam Tinelli - 20 Present, 2 absent, 1 Excused, 3 Vacant

- Confirmed quorum

●Approval of Meeting Minutes

- Motion to accept the minutes from the November and December Meetings is made by Bill Arnold and seconded by Tom Coyle.

Roll call vote – No objections, no abstentions to the minutes.

Motion 1 – Passed

● **Chairperson - Mark Philippy**

- Motion to approve the January minutes by Bill Arnold, seconded by Jim Cassin. Any objections to approving the minutes as submitted? Any abstentions? Motion passes.
- STAT Medevac Letter
- Part of Article 30, if an agency changes their staffing model, they need to notify the region. Historically STAT Medevac dba Center of Emergency Medicine of Western Pennsylvania. They historically had a station in Dansville, which is why this comes to our region. Everything they list in their staffing model exceeds our regional requirements, although they do not operate in our region. Their one base is now in Jamestown. We need to advise them if we object. Inaction is sufficient. Any objections? I would move that the Council accept their letter without concern by Dr. Cushman, seconded by Sam Tinelli. Any objections? Abstentions? Motion passes.
- The REMSCo May Meeting will take place at 1600 (4pm) at Livingston County EMS. Ask that all of the Council members that can, to please be there in person. The awards will be part of the meeting.
- Letter from the Bureau of EMS & Trauma Systems – our representative to the SEMAC term was up in December 2021. Ask for a nomination to extend the service of our current regional medical director, Dr. Cushman by Tom Coyle, seconded by Tim Kelly. Abstentions? Dr. Cushman abstains. Objections? Motion passes.
- Mark met with the Commissioner on Friday. Unfortunately there wasn't enough time to discuss all items. Looking at having a New York State EMS Medical Director – to discuss at the SEMAC next month for job description.
- Funding for the Program Agencies. Idea of a State Program Agency to support the SEMAC & SEMSCo to take care of the administrative tasks. Discussion about regional program agencies. University of Rochester currently serves as our Program Agency. State has not increased the amount in over twenty years. We need to think about how we as a Council interface with our Program Agency, and how can we potentially self fund. Sam Tinelli & Geordie Kleuber are currently working on some potential

website changes, and perhaps looking into some revenue streams related to content. Challenge our agency leaders to speak with training & education/clinical folks that would be interested in participating. (i.e. FP-C prep course)

- Anything further from United Way? No, nothing thus far. If Tim Czapranski & Sam Tinelli could please get into contact with them and circle back to the Council, that would be great.
- Revenue generation – training revenue unfortunately would not necessarily be the best way to look at funding for staff. Have we reached out to other regions to discuss what other areas are doing? Not yet, but we would like to do that perhaps at the next State Program Agency meeting.
- Local philanthropy grants? Have not historically, as we aren't sure if we are able to and not sure where to start. Jim Cassin to send a list of options that we can look into to Council Chair & Treasurer. Challenge can be that folks don't know what MLREMS is. Perhaps we need to get together and get on the same page as to what our ask is.

● **Vice Chair / NEG Report – Tim Kelly**

- NEG is looking at the by-laws. The next project will also be the CON application and fee schedule. Another point of discussion for the NEG Committee is to see if the financial reports/budgets need to be voted on at the full Council. He currently shares them with the full Council. If anyone is interested in NEG, please reach out to Tim.

● **Secretary – Sam Tinelli**

- No Report

● **Treasurer – Alex Cook**

- Financial reports sent out. State has still not paid us. We have had to draw from the savings account to pay our bills. We continue to be paying all of our bills with the exception of the Program Agency. It's been over a year since we have received our funds.
- EMS Week items come from the donations received from UR Medicine and Rochester Regional Health Systems.
- All of the other Councils are in the same situation financially. The funding stream is currently stuck by their internal process. Typically it's a quarter or two behind, this has been the longest delay that we've encountered.
- Motion to approve the finance report as given by Sam Tinelli, seconded by Tim Kelly. Any objections? Any abstentions? Motion passes.
- **MOTION 2 - Passes**

● **System Medical Director – Jeremy Cushman, MD**

- Continue to move forward to get us live with CARES. Both hospital systems are involved to provide the follow-up data. Your agencies will start hearing more details from our office.
- National and local events have paid undue focus on “excited delirium”. There has been lots of activity in the Collaborative Protocol group to update the protocol to change the name. This will come forward to SEMAC likely in April.
- State updated a new set of protocols on their website. There are multiple typographical errors. Muru appears to have 2019 set of protocols. We have not distributed these new ones due to the errors. Most of the changes made in there are more clarifications. What your app provides is what you should continue to use.
- Two programs were launched – alternative transport to the BHACC and the geriatric teleconsult. They haven't been used as frequently as expected. Once we receive some feedback, we will try and address these issues to be able to utilize these programs.

● Program Agency Report – Ben Sensenbach

- State Actions
 - Leeza Steciak
 - Revoked effective 2/10/22.
 - Assessed a civil penalty of \$5,000.
 - For violations of 10NYCRR Part 800.16(a)(1), (2), and (3).
 - “...has failed to comply with the requirements of Section 800.15 of this Part...”
 - “...has been negligent in the performance of his/her EMS duties and practice, as negligence is defined in Section 800.3 of this Part...”
 - “...has been incompetent in the performance of his/her EMS duties and practice, as incompetence is defined in Section 800.3 of this Part...”
- Agency Information Update
- Continue to collect these. Please send them in if you haven't already.
- Council & Program Agency contract status
- As of 10am, there are no extensions or new contracts in the Grants Gateway system.
- ePCR update
- Bureau requested weekly updates on the agencies that are coming onto ePCR. They are all moving forward and going through the process, but there are no agencies that are being difficult.

● System Operations - Reg Allen

- No Report

● **Training and Education - Ed Erbland**

- Bureau of EMS dropped some educational protocols.
- Bureau of EMS extended all provider certifications by one year – creating a bit of work at the lower levels. Everyone no matter where in their process they are, received that extension.

● **PIER - Ahmed Mustafa**

- EMS Week Coordination – schedule has been sent.
- May 16th – press conference at the PSTF. It would be nice to get some EMS agency vehicles to be present.
- County is working to get the Zoo admission covered for EMS providers and their families. More to come as details get worked out.
- Ahmed is working to get EMS providers recognized on a weekly basis through the media however is all dependent on funding. More to follow.

● **Livingston County – Karen Dewar**

- Working with BLSFRs who lapsed within the last few years for their information updates to the Bureau.

● **Monroe County – Tim Czapranski**

- Proud of all EMS agencies who have submitted donations and brought forth PPE and medical supplies for the Ukraine.
- ePCR export – ongoing discussion about where this intersects with the Council & Program Agency. NEQ & CHS will be testing the export process. From a Council standpoint – ask that once the testing is complete that we reform the TAG that was working on this project to continue to move it forward. Once we make sure it works at some levels, then we will need to bring in other agencies (i.e. BLSFR level) to then test again.

● REMAC – Aaron Farney, MD

- REMAC Report
- Met via Zoom 2/28.
- Reminder – masking is still mandatory in patient care scenarios.
- Medication formulary project – committee reviewing the formulary. This is out for comment now.
- The Patient Safety Subcommittee is looking for members, if you are interested, reach out to Ben or Dr. Farney.
- RGH – some staffing changes.
- Noyes went live with eRecord, and went fairly smoothly. Small hiccup with ePCRs not being faxed to Noyes, that has been fixed.
- RSI Program update has been passed by the REMAC – really more administrative changes.
- Next meeting is April 18th at 5pm.
- RSI case review is at 6pm tonight.

● OLD BUSINESS

- STEP Conference partnership? We did not pursue this route as we did not hear back what they needed in terms of funding from us, so we are moving forward with our own thing.

● NEW BUSINESS

- Certification extensions and the effects on year one education (Jon Lindskoog)
- Policy statement 22-05. It's not in the policy statement, however looking to seek clarification through the Council on whether they will accept education within the new cycle or whether we need to re-take some of this education.
- These questions as well as additional ones have been sent to the Bureau. The Bureau cancelled their scheduled meeting, but they will plan on having one this Wednesday.

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- Dr. Farney is going out on paternity leave starting tomorrow. Congratulations in advance! If there are any urgent matters related to patient safety or otherwise, Dr. Cushman, Ben, Dr. Dorsett & Mindy will be your contact in the meantime.

● NYS DOH & SEMAC/SEMSCO Updates

- SEMAC/SEMSCO meeting are April 12th and 13th in person at the “Egg”, meeting room 6.

● Adjournment

- Motion made by Bill Arnold to adjourn, seconded by Ahmed Mustafa.
- Motion3 - Passed
- Next Meeting: Monday May 16th, 2022 at Livingston County EMS Building 3360 Gypsy Ln, Mt. Morris NY 14510

Link for full meeting video:

[Full March 2022 MLREMS Meeting](#)