



Monroe-Livingston Regional EMS Council
January 22, 2024
Livingston County EMS Base
5582 Lake Road Avon, NY
4PM

Welcome by Vice Chair Sam Tinelli -

- Pledge of Allegiance

Calling of the Roll; 16 Members Present

- Geordie Kuebler arrived at 4:07PM
- Thomas Kirchoff arrived at 4:10PM

Officer / Committee Reports:

- Chairperson / Legislative Committee Tim Kelly (Excused) – Report by Sam Tinelli
 - Motion to approve Sam Tinelli and Jon Smith as MLREMS representative and alternate to SEMSCO,
 Motion: W. Arnold Second: T. Czapranski All Ayes, Motion Carried

Director Greenberg from the BEMS has informed MLREMS that both Sam and Jonathan paperwork for vetting for SEMSCO are being processed.

- Point of Information – due to the eclipse on April 8, 2023, the Executive Committee Meeting will be held on April 15, 2024.
- Vice Chair / NEG Committee Sam Tinelli:

Council Elections:

The only letters of intent received were from Andrew Perez and Brandon Nugent.

Category	Member	Term Expires
EMS Training / Education	Vacant	3/31/28
Monroe County At Large - Seat 4	Vacant	3/31/28
Monroe County CON - Seat 2	Perez, Andrew	3/31/28
At Large EMS Agency - Seat 1	Vacant	3/31/25
Healthcare Representative - Seat 2	Vacant	3/31/28
Healthcare Representative - Seat 3	Brandon Nugent	3/31/25
Community Representative	Vacant	3/31/28
Monroe County - BLSFR	Vacant	3/31/28

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Motion to have the Secretary cast one vote for Andrew Perez and Brandon Nugent for their respective seats on the Council.

Motion: Sam Tinelli Second: W. Arnold All Ayes, Motion Carried

REMAC Elections:

Received letters of intent from the following and there are no contested positions.

Category - Voting	Member	Term Expires
Rochester General	Constance Verneti	3/31/28
At Large	Maia Dorsett	3/31/28
Non-Voting		
BLS Representative	Vacant	3/31/28
At Large NYS Certified Seat 3	William Comella	3/31/28
At Large Open Seat 2	William Arnold	3/31/28

Motion to have the Secretary cast one vote for the candidates for their respective seats on the REMAC.

Motion: J. Smith Second: A. Perez All Ayes, Motion Carried

- Treasurer / Finance Committee Alex Cook: -
 - Motion for approval November 2023 Finance Report;
Motion: T. Coyle Second: W. Arnold, All Ayes, Motion Carried
 - Motion for approval December, 2023 Finance Report;
Motion: T. Coyle Second: W. Arnold, All Ayes, Motion Carried

- Secretary / Membership Committee James Cassin:
 - Motion to approve November, 2023 Council minutes;
Motion: A. Cook Second: W. Arnold All Aye, Motion Carried

 - On January 17, 2024, met with Ben and Mindy at the office to review the Quarterly Council and Program Agency reports to BEMS. There were a few minor additions.

 - As discussed at the November Council meeting, an updated contact list for MLREMS was sent to:
 - BEMS
 - Livingston and Monroe County EMS
 - Finger Lakes and Big Lakes REMSCO

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- Regional Medical Director / SEMAC Representative Jeremy Cushman:
 - Nothing to report this month;
- SEMSCO Representative – Mark Philippy:
 - Collaborative Protocols to be voted on at February meeting;
 - Performance Standards are still a work in progress;
 - Daniels Law proposal address mental health issues;
 - EMS-C addressing deescalation practices for children;
 - I will be stepping down at MLREMS representative to SEMSCO at the February meetings, I have accepted a new position outside of EMS and will not have the flexibility for attending State EMS meetings;
 - Many “**THANKS**” to Mark for his years on the Council, also a Council Officer and SEMSCO Representative;
- REMAC Aaron Farney:
 - Updated Policy on Care and Restraint of Agitated or Combative Patients was sent out on December 18, 2023;
 - Next meeting on February 26, 2024 at the PSTF at 5PM.
- Training & Ed Chair Ed Erbland:
 - Drew Chesney will be meeting with any agency with questions on education February 6, 2024 via Zoom at 3PM. Ben will send out invites to agencies.
 - I will be stepping down at the end of my term on March 31, 2024;
- Systems Operations Chair Jon Smith:
 - Still waiting on feedback on the Monroe County Mutual Aid Policy from Monroe County Legal Department;
 - Working on the MCI / MPI Plan next;
- PIER Chair Ahmed Mustafa (Excused) – Report by Timothy Hutchings
 - Met on January 9, 2024;
 - Donation Letter Review
 - On drive, please make changes by Monday, January 15th.
 - MCC Information sent out – what would we like to do?
 - Capacity is ok, layout seems ok. Would need someone to take a look at the venue to see if it would fit the needs.
 - Concern still is getting an audience. If we have this coupled with the Council meeting in 117, we can at least guarantee attendance of at least ~20 people.
 - Recently had a graduation class do their ceremony in 117, but they changed the way the room was arranged and it turned out very nice. This could still be an option.

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- Did we want to do the pins and sunset the yard signs? Need to make a decision.
 - Like the pin idea. Sunset yard signs.
 - 7-12 weeks lead time for the pins. Someone will need to front the cost and then be reimbursed once we receive donations
 - Nonrefundable
- We currently have 5 nominations in 4 categories (Paramedic Rookie of the Year, BLS Provider of the Year (2), Physician of Excellence and Educator of Excellence)
- Next Meeting we will review nomination only letters and winner letters. By then we should have received all nominations and will be in the process of voting.
- Livingston County EMS Coordinator Karen Dewar :
 - Livingston County 911 Center is recruiting for a new Director, job posted on Livingston County website;
- Monroe County EMS Coordinator Tim Czapranski:
 - Nothing to report this month;
- E-PCR Committee – Ben Sensenbach & Jim Cassin
 - See attached report to these minutes
- Program Agency Ben Sensenbach:
 - State Actions;
- Christopher Langevin
 - Certification suspended for one year effective 11/8/23. The suspension is stayed pending no further violations for a period of three years.
 - Assessed a civil penalty of \$1,000.
 - For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.3(a), 800.3(am), 800.15(a)(2), 800.16(a)(2), and 800.16(a)(3).
 - “...Incompetence means a lack of, or loss of, skill or knowledge to practice the profession, and/or practicing with negligence, as negligence is defined in this part, on one or more occasions while treating a patient...”
 - “...Negligence means a failure to perform, on one or more EMS calls, as an ordinary, reasonable, similarly situated certificate holder certified at the same level would, based upon the standard of care in the region, as delineated in controlling protocols, curricula, and policies, and as demonstrated by an ordinary, reasonable certificate holder’s general standards of practice...”
 - “...Every person certified at any level pursuant to this Part or Article 30 of the Public Health Law shall: comply with prehospital practice standards, applicable for the geographic region of the State in which the individual is practicing as established by:...State-approved protocols developed by the State

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and/or Regional Medical Advisory Committees pursuant to sections 3002-a and 3004-a of the Public Health Law...”

- “...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...”

- Joseph George

- Certification revoked effective 10/20/23. Assessed a civil penalty of \$500.
- For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.16(a)(7).
 - “...has procured, or has attempted to procure, his/her certification or re-certification through any form of fraud or deceit, including, but not limited to, the intentional false representation or misrepresentation, either expressly or by omission, on his/her application for emergency medical services certification or re-certification, of information pertaining to prior convictions, offenses, regulatory violations and actions against other professional licenses and certification held by the certificate holder or having received certification without having completed all the specified requirements...”

- Steven Rivera

- Certification suspended for one year effective 10/17/23. The suspension is stayed.
- Placed on probation for three years effective 10/17/23.
- Assessed a civil penalty of \$1,000.
- For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.3(am).
 - “...Negligence means a failure to perform, on one or more EMS calls, as an ordinary, reasonable, similarly situated certificate holder certified at the same level would, based upon the standard of care in the region, as delineated in controlling protocols, curricula, and policies, and as demonstrated by an ordinary, reasonable certificate holder’s general standards of practice...”

- Katherine Seipel

- Certification suspended for one year effective 11/1/23. The suspension is stayed pending no further violations for a period of three years.
- Assessed a civil penalty of \$1,000.
- For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.3(al), 800.3(am), 800.15(a)(1), 800.15(a)(2), 800.16(a)(1), 800.16(a)(2) and 800.16(a)(3).
 - “...Incompetence means a lack of, or loss of, skill or knowledge to practice the profession, and/or practicing with negligence, as negligence is defined in this part, on one or more occasions while treating a patient...”
 - “...Negligence means a failure to perform, on one or more EMS calls, as an ordinary, reasonable, similarly situated certificate holder certified at the same level would, based upon the standard of care in the region, as delineated in controlling protocols, curricula, and policies, and as demonstrated by an ordinary, reasonable certificate holder’s general standards of practice...”

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- "...Every person certified at any level pursuant to this Part or Article 30 of the Public Health Law shall: comply with prehospital practice standards, applicable for the geographic region of the State in which the individual is practicing as established by: State-approved training curricula and State-approved training standards, in accordance with section 800.20 of this Part..."
- "...Every person certified at any level pursuant to this Part or Article 30 of the Public Health Law shall: comply with prehospital practice standards, applicable for the geographic region of the State in which the individual is practicing as established by ...State-approved protocols developed by the State and/or Regional Medical Advisory Committees pursuant to sections 3002-a and 3004-a of the Public Health Law..."
- "...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..."
- Tyges Besch
 - Certification revoked effective 10/16/23.
 - For violations of 10 NYCRR Part 800.16(a)(5).
 - "...has been convicted of one or more criminal offenses, as that term is defined in § 800.3(ak) of this Part, unless, in accordance with Article 23-A of the Corrections Law, the department determines, that (i) there is not a direct relationship between one or more of the criminal offenses and the duties required of this certificate or (ii) allowing the certificate holder to retain his/her certificate would not involve an unreasonable risk to property or the safety or welfare of a specific individual or the general public. In determining these questions, the agency will look at the eight factors listed under New York State Correctional Law Section 753..."
- Old Business – None
- New Business –
 - Resignation received from Tim Kelly from the Council effective January 23, 2024, due to time commitments with attending RN program;
 - Per MLREMS Bylaws, Vice-Chair Sam Tinelli becomes Acting Chair pending election for Council Chair;
 - Vice Chair Sam Tinelli expresses interest in running for chair;
 - This could open up the position of Vice Chair;
 - Jon Smith expresses interest in running for Vice Chair;
 - Other Council members are eligible for the Chair position who have been a past Council Officer;

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- Other Council members are eligible for Vice Chair that have served on the Council for at least two years;
- March Council meeting will be special election for one year terms for Chair and Vice Chair;
- The Council has six open positions that we need to fill, asking all Council members to ask those who would be willing to serve and participate;
- Vote at March Council for open Council seats if we get additional candidates;

Executive Session – Motion: J. Smith Second: A. Cook

- To go into Executive Session at 4:45PM to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or potential litigation.

Motion: G. Kuebler Second: E. Erbland

- To exit Executive Session at 4:55PM.
No action taken by the Council in Executive Session.
- NYS DOH and Other Important Dates –
 - SEMAC and SEMSCO February 6 & 7, 2024 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Troy, NY.
 - EMS Vital Signs Conference Rochester, NY
- Next Council Meeting – Monday March 18, 2024 16:00 Hours at Livingston County EMS Base 5582 Lake Road Avon, NY.

Adjournment at 5:00PM Motion: J. Smith Second: T. Kirchoff

Link to meeting video: <https://youtu.be/qhzt1fjHTcQ>

Submitted by;

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2024 MLREMS Meeting Attendance Record

Category	Name	Term Expires	2024-01	2024-03	2024-05	2024-07	2024-09	2024-11
Monroe County At Large - Seat 1	Arnold, William	3/31/25	P					
At Large EMS Agency - Seat 4	Cassin, James	3/31/25	P					
Livingston County At Large - Seat 2	Cook, Alex	3/31/26	P					
Monroe County CON - Seat 1	Coyle Thomas	3/31/25	P					
Regional Medical Director	Cushman, Jeremy	Ex-Offico	P					
Monroe County EMS Coordinator	Czapranski, Timothy	Ex-Offico	P					
Livingston County EMS Coordinator	Dewar, Karen	Ex-Offico	P					
EMS Training / Education	Erbland, Edward	3/31/24	P					
REMAC Representative	Farney, Aaron	3/31/25	P					
At Large EMS Agency - Seat 3	Frost, Timothy	3/31/26	E					
Monroe County At Large - Seat 2	Hutchings, Timothy	3/31/25	P					
Livingston County At Large - Seat 3	Kelly, Timothy	3/31/25	E					
Monroe County At Large - Seat 3	Kirchoff, Thomas	3/31/25	P					
Livingston County - BLSFR	Klueber, Geordie	3/31/26	P					
Livingston County At Large - Seat 1	Lindskoog, Jonathan	3/31/25	P					
Monroe County At Large - Seat 4	Mustafa, Ahmed	3/31/24	E					
Monroe County CON - Seat 2	Perez, Andrew	3/31/24	P					
At Large EMS Agency - Seat 1	Vacant	3/31/25	Vacant					
Healthcare Representative - Seat 1	Pierson, Lauren	3/31/26	P					
Law Enforcement	Rathfelder, Eric	3/31/26	E					
At Large EMS Agency - Seat 2`	Smith, Jonathan	3/31/26	P					
Livingston County CON -	Tinelli, Samuel	3/31/26	P					
Healthcare Representative - Seat 2	Vacant	3/31/24	Vacant					
Healthcare Representative - Seat 3	Vacant	3/31/25	Vacant					
Community Representative	Vacant	3/31/24	Vacant					
Monroe County - BLSFR	Vacant	3/31/24	Vacant					

Attendance Legend :

Present = P

Absent = A

Excused = E

Attendance for Quorum:

Quorum = 13 Members

Super Majority = 17 Members



**MLREMS E-PCR Committee
Report to MLREMS Council
January 22, 2024**

This is a brief overview of the Committee activities since being approved at the November, 2023 Council meeting;

Ten providers from the region have joined the Committee:

Name	Agency
Darrin Batty	Rochester FD
Steve Benson	Brighton FD
Jim Cassin	MLREMS
P.J. Doyle	Barnard FD / Irondequoit Ambulance
Steve LaDue	CHS
Jonathan Lindskoog	Livingston County EMS
Dustin Mandell	Penfield Ambulance
Mike Meyer	MC EMS Office
Mia Pasuzzi	Rochester FD / AMR Rochester
Meg Rose	Lima Ambulance
Ben Sensenbach	DPM
Rachel Weaver	Monroe Ambulance

The Committee has met three times to date, December 20, 2023, January 8 and January 22, 2024 via zoom.

On Friday December 22, 2023, the BEMS sent out the NYS V3.5 Validation Rules. For BLSFR there are over 160 rules and for Transport/ALSFR there are over 200 rules.

There have not been any NYS BEMS DI WebEx meetings since December 19, 2023.

BEMSAT had an in-person session at AMR Syracuse on January 18, 2024 with a NEMSIS 3.5 Feedback Session. These sessions are intended to provide the opportunity for EMS Agency Leaders, EMS ePCR Coordinators, EMS Quality Managers and EMS Providers the opportunity to not only understand how the standard is set but also to take a hands-on approach to seeing how the standard has been set but also to provide direct candid feedback as to how the standard could improve in the field. Six members of the committee were able to travel to Syracuse.

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The Committee would like to make a recommendation to Dr. Cushman and the Council to consider rescinding the following Regional Advisories regarding E-PCR, due to NYS EMSAT Policy statement has different standards:

- Advisory May 27, 2007
- Advisory 07-08 August 8, 2007;
- Advisory 10-09 April 26, 2010
- The Regional 12 Hour Special Report in emsCharts

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