Kentucky Ambulance Providers Association Board Meeting Minutes



Meeting Date: February 17,2023

Meeting Location: Lincoln Trail Health Department Elizabethtown, KY

Board members in attendance:

Region	Board Member (* = Even Year term)	Present or Absent
Region 1	Mark Harrison	Present
Region 1	Mike Wiggins	Present
Region 1	Troy Walker *	Present
Region 2	Jim Duke (Vice-President)	Present
Region 2	David Webb	Present-Zoom
Region 2	Mike Cottrell	Present
Region 3	Joe Bradshaw	Present
Region 3	Steve Eubank	Present
Region 3	James Hacker (President)	Present
Region 4	Jody Dunhoft *	Present
Region 4	Pennie Crady	Present-Zoom
Region 4	Phil Deitz	Present-Zoom
Region 5	Ashley Powell (Treasurer)	Present
Region 5	Brandon Bussell	Present
Region 5	Tim May	Present
Region 6	Brent Turvey *	Present
Region 6	Bill Baker	Present
Region 6	Michael Mason *	Present
At-Large	Paul Phillips	Present
At-Large	Rick Driskill	Present
At-Large	Donald Hare (Secretary)	Present
At-Large	Joe Prewitt	Present
At-Large	Joe Middleton ▲	Present

The following items were presented, discussed, and/or acted upon while the board meeting was in order:

Item	Discussion	Action
Call to order	Called to order by President James Hacker, Pledge of Allegiance	
Invocation	Invocation led by Joe Bradshaw	
Roll Call	Roll call all members present	
Determination of Quorum	Quorum met.	
Minutes of last meeting	On web site, motion by Jim Duke, second Phil Deitz. Motion	
	carried.	

Financial/Reimbursement Committee Report	Financial Report given by Ashley Powell total ledger balance as of February 17, 2023, of 50,277.00. Motion by Joe Prewitt to accept by second Jim Duke by motion passed.	
Legislative Report	Jim Duke and Joe Prewitt updated board on current Legislation and HB 14. Medicaid and CPE Assessment was discussed and had been emailed out earlier in the week. Discussed the difference between county based, vs Fire vs Hospital costs per run. Data on Medicare Assessment. Medicare Add-ons were extended for 3 additional years. Joe Prewitt discussed Opioid Settlement money and reimbursement on Overdose runs. Motion by Troy Walker and Second by Mike Mason, Motion passed.	
KBEMS Report	Eddie Slone gave a KBEMS Report. And covered staff changes and application changes. All medical Directors will need renewed licenses by March 1, 2023, New provider cards emailed yesterday. Director's meetings scheduled monthly and encouraged to attend.	
Membership Report	Helen Dever was not present and will send report later.	
Conference Committee Report	Mark Harrison gave a committee report on 2022 conference with a record number of sponsors, and costs were up. We lost around \$4,000. Conference Committee to meet immediately following this meeting to discuss ways to decrease cost for future conferences.	
Old Business	President James Hacker discussed a letter that was going out with this years member renewals to explain the rate changes for 2023 and costs associated with KAPA. Motion was made by Mark Harrison and Seconded by Jim Duke to raise affiliate member to \$150.00. Motion failed due to lack of votes. Motion by Jim Duke second by Steve Eubanks for President to send letter to members. Motion passed. President James Hacker formed a Bylaw Committee with members being James Hacker, Troy Walker, Jim Duke, Ashley Powell, Tim Mays, Penny Crady. This committee will be task with reviewing current bylaws and make suggestions for updates to be approved at by next meeting.	
New Business	Motion to close First United checking account and open new account to First Southern in Stanford and Donald Hare and Ashley	

Powell will be signers on the account. Motion by Troy Walker second by Joe Bradshaw. Motion passed.

President James Hacker discussed the need for KAPA to apply for a credit card to use for recurring online accounts and transactions. Motion for Treasurer Ashley Powell to apply for a KAPA credit card with a \$10,000 limit by Joe Middleton and second by Michael Wiggins, motion carried.

Motion was made for Treasurer Ashley Powell to obtain a post office box and move the official Kapa mailing address to Stanford KY, motion by Mark Harrison seconded by Joe Prewitt and motion carried.

Joe Prewitt made motion for KAPA to purchase vehicle decals for every license member ambulance in the state. Second by Ashley Powell. Motion Passed.

Joe Prewitt discussed a 6 percent increase in Judy Taylors fees to cover new taxes she was going to incur and also discussed getting a contract signed with Judy. Joe Prewitt made the motion second by Jim Duke. Motion Carried.

Jim spoke about going to Washington DC to in March 2023, with no more than \$2,500 to be spent two send two people. Joe Bradshaw and second by Mark Harrison. Motion Carried

President James Hacker discussed that from time to time that there were small purchases that needed to be made between meetings and would like the board to approve an amount that the president could utilize to make these purchases. A Motion was made by Troy Walker for the President to be able to purchase items up to \$500.00 between meetings second by Bill Baker, motion carried.

There was a discussion on KAPA Zoom Policy and motion by Joe Prewitt and second by Joe Bradshaw to allow Board Member participation via Zoom as long as camera and audio was both turned on and shall be recorded. This motion passed and will be further reviewed by Bylaw Committee for a final recommendation.

Spoke about handling business in between meetings with Board members. After discussion is was suggested to use a text and messaging capable app like Group Me or Discord. Pending legality.

	Motion made by Brett Turvey and seconded by David Webb to find the best source for communication. Motion Carried one Neigh. Vice-President Jim Duke spoke about AEMT on Interfacility transports. And Jon Holder spoke about a pilot program that could be considered to allow testing this. The President is going to set up a zoom meeting to see what services are interested. Brent Turvey spoke about the CGS Medicare TPE Audits and if anyone needs any information reach out to him.	
Next Meeting	April 20, 2023 in Region 4 TBD	
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn. Motion by Bill Baker Adjourned at 16:33	

Respectfully submitted by: Donald Hare