

**Kentucky Ambulance Providers Association
Board Meeting Minutes**



Meeting Date: 07/27/2023

Meeting Location: Elizabethtown, KY

Board members in attendance: 21

Region	Board Member (^ = Odd Year term)	Present or Absent
Region 1	Mark Harrison	Present
Region 1	Mike Wiggins	Absent
Region 1	Troy Walker ^	Present
Region 2	Jim Duke (Vice-President)	Present
Region 2	David Webb ^	Present
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
Region 4	Phil Dietz	Present
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	Absent
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	Meeting Called to order by President Hacker at 13:00	
Invocation	Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by President Hacker	
Roll Call	Roll Call by Secretary Donald Hare.	
Determination of Quorum	Quorum met at start of meeting 4 members absent. 2 signed in later.	
Minutes of last meeting	Minutes from April 20, 2023, meeting presented. Joe Middleton made motion, seconded by Mike Cotrell to approve. Motion passed.	
Financial/Reimbursement Committee Report	KAPA General Account Balance July 27.2023 is \$80,149.53. Motion by Jim Duke and Seconded by David Webb. Motion Passed.	

Legislative Report	Report given by Jim Duke. National: The Medicare Extender has been Extended to December 2024. VA Final Rule is trying to keep rate same as Medicare in all states. State: CON task force met a few times and KAPA to file a public comment. Medicaid: Allow to treat in place. In attachment. Also, with Joe Prewitt's retirement he must be in-active for 90 days. Move that Jim Duke named the Chair of the Legislative Committee. Motion Passed.	
KBEMS Report	<p>Jon Holder gave a report. Staffing at KBEMS is getting better and about back to full staff. Making tweaks to Protocol revision, Staffing Shortages survey results were shared with 100 Services submitted data.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Are you currently able to cover all medics shifts without unscheduled OT. 2. Do you have any FT or PT medic needs? 3. How many medic applications in past 6 months. 4. Number of FT medics at your service. <p>Looking forward to sharing to support CON task force and Workforce Development money.</p>	<p>NO 69% Yes 32% 303 open 278 762</p>
Membership Report	Helen reported that we have 175 paid providers and 14 affiliates as of meeting. This number has increased considerably this year.	
Conference Committee Report	Joe Bradshaw gave a conference report and spoke about the current pricing at Lexington and compared the cost to the proposal from Owensboro to move the conference there. Joe made a proposal on moving the 2024 conference to Owensboro with savings of \$18,000 or greater. Motion by Joe Middleton seconded by Mike Cotrell to move to Owensboro with a 3-year term. Motion passed. 1 No vote.	
Old Business	<p>Troy Walker, Committee on By-Laws haven't met. President Hacker asked if Troy could arrange a meeting in the next 2 weeks and Troy said he would contact members and try to make that happen.</p> <p>EMS Paramedic Surveys. There was a lengthy discussion between Board Members and representatives of KCTCS Paramedic programs and paramedic shortages.</p>	
New Business	<p>Need to have Regional Meetings before September for annual elections of Board Members.</p> <p>EMT Scholarship committee-Savik Buying Group. President Hacker appointed Michael Reynolds to take the lead in forming a small committee to determine process that applicants would utilize to apply for one of these grants.</p> <p>Date for annual Meeting is Friday September 15, 2023, at 13:30 EST.</p> <p>Tax Exempt consideration. Work in progress.</p> <p>Credit Debit card update, Motion to open a second account attached to the KAPA bank account and get a debit card. Motion by Jim Duke seconded by Donald Hare. Motion Passed.</p>	

	<p>Pull up displays: Michael Reynolds discussed what was needed to get updated Pull Up Displays for the KAPA booth for this conference. He and Joe Pruitt are going to get everything update and this was previously approved at September 2022 mtg. no other action.</p> <p>Motion was made to write a Comment Letter on Workforce Development funding. Jim Duke volunteered to work on getting this letter developed along with help from Paul Phillips. Motion by Paul Phillips seconded by Ashley Powell. Motion Passed.</p> <p>The American Ambulance Association National Meeting will be hosted in Lexington, KY in June of 2025. This will be a great opportunity for our state EMS Providers.</p> <p>Aug 24-25 is Lake Cumberland Rural Healthcare Symposium.</p>	
Next Meeting	Friday September 15, 2023, at 13:30 EST Central Bank Center Lexington, KY	
Adjournment	15:15 Motion Donald Hare, seconded by Ashley Powell.	

Respectfully submitted by: Donald Hare