



**Emergency Medical Services  
Trust Fund Advisory Board Meeting**

Minutes of August 9, 2007 Meeting

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The annual meeting of the Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund Advisory Board was held on August 9, 2007, at the Volusia County Fire Training Services Center on Tiger Bay Road, Daytona Beach, Florida. The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m.

**Members present:**

Mr. Dave Bledsoe, designated representative of the EMS Training Program, DBCC  
Mr. Mike Mellon, EVAC Ambulance  
Russell Rafferty, Chief, Port Orange Fire Rescue, representing Volusia County Fire Chiefs' Association  
Dr. Tracey Weiner, Hospital Emergency Department Director  
Mr. Mark Wolcott, EMS Director, Volusia County Public Protection, Chair

**Visitors present:**

Mrs. Tracy Foelker, Sr. Staff Assistant, Volusia County EMS  
Dr. Peter Springer, EMS Medical Director

The Chair opened the meeting and called for approval of the minutes from the previous meeting of August 9, 2006.

*Minutes from previous meeting were unanimously approved as written.*

**Motion: Rafferty**  
**Second: Mellon**

The chair provided the most current information regarding the anticipated available funds for FY 2008. He reported the following:

Anticipated carryover:	\$ 9,904
Anticipated interest:	2,500
Anticipated award:	<u>147,000</u>
	<b>\$ 159,404</b>

**EMLRC Patient Simulator Lab:**

The Chair discussed the termination of services between Volusia County and the EMLRC, stating the reasoning was they did not fulfill the MOU by not providing the County with audio-visual recordings. This happened on six days of educational training. Dr. Springer explained the importance of the recordings was for him to be able to go the participating agency and critique and further educate the medics involved. The members discussed utilizing DBCC to further this type of educational forum.

**Intraosseous Infusion Device (EZ-IO):**

Mr. Mellon suggested that all agencies, even those that did not apply should be awarded the I/O devices. He feels that because this is being mandated by the Medical Director that everyone should have them. It was the general opinion of the Board that if the agency did not apply then the award should not go to them. A lengthy discussion ensued.

The Board came to agreement to award each agency that applied for the device the number of I/O drivers that was requested and the number of needles will be determined the same for each agency at 3 each of adult and pediatric needles.

*The Board unanimously approved an award of 57 I/O drivers and 3 needles each to the closest box of adult and pediatric needles totaling approximately \$19,200.*

**Motion: Rafferty**  
**Second: Mellon**

**Advanced Life Support Upgrades:**

Mr. Rafferty began the discussion by reminding the Board that ALS upgrades has always been the top priority of the committee. In keeping with that philosophy he would like to discuss the upgrades for Daytona Beach and Port Orange Fire. Mr. Mellon stated that the committee has used a base price of \$25,000. for upgrades to purchase necessary equipment. Board members all agreed.

*The Board unanimously approved Daytona Beach Fire Department an award of \$25,000.00 for ALS upgrades for the addition of Station #7.*

**Motion: Mellon**  
**Second: Weiner**

*The Board unanimously approved Port Orange Fire Rescue an award of \$25,000.00 for ALS upgrades for the addition of Station #75.*

**Motion: Mellon**  
**Second: Weiner**

**Automated External Defibrillators:**

Dr. Weiner inquired about Deland Fire's bike team. Dr. Springer explained that they use bikes mostly for special events and stand-by. This opened a discussion on which items the Trust Fund should actually be paying for. The Board felt that accessories and other miscellaneous items should be purchased by the agency and the Board should be concerned with equipment that will truly enhance the EMS system and patient care. The chair explained that Volusia County has a new price agreement through a different company for the purchase of AED's and the cost is a bit higher than it has been. The Board agreed that with so many different brands and prices that the award should be the same (\$1,200) for all agencies awarded and AED.

*The Board unanimously approved Daytona Beach Shores Department of Public Safety an award of \$3,600.00 for the purchase of three (3) AED's.*

**Motion: Mellon**  
**Second: Rafferty**

*The Board unanimously approved Deland Fire Department an award of \$3,600.00 for the purchase of three (3) AED's.*

**Motion: Rafferty**  
**Second: Weiner**

*The Board unanimously approved Holly Hill Fire Rescue an award of \$3,600.00 for the purchase of three (3) AED's.*

**Motion: Rafferty**  
**Second: Mellon**

*The Board unanimously approved Port Orange Fire Rescue an award of \$2,400.00 for the purchase of two (2) AED's.*

**Motion: Rafferty**

**Second: Mellon**

**Clinical Enhancements:**

After reviewing the remaining applications the Chair reminded the Board that the State prohibits replacement of equipment. Several of the applications would fall into that category. Dr. Weiner then suggested that AirOne's application be looked at. Dr. Springer explained that the IV infusion pumps are used more frequently and since it is for a helicopter they are specially made, therefore more expensive. After further discussion, the Board agreed upon awarding one pump.

*The Board unanimously approved Volusia County Sheriff's Office, Special Services – AirOne an award of \$10,000.00 for the purchase of one IV infusion pump.*

**Motion: Rafferty**

**Second: Weiner**

**Training/Education:**

The Chair opened a dialogue on utilizing DBCC for training purposes. He explained that the Medical Director is looking for training based upon his methodology consistent with protocols. Course development would be afforded greater oversight by Dr. Springer. Additionally, training for new procedures approved would be appropriately and consistently presented to all field providers, thereby enhancing the continuity of care. Further discussion ensued with Dr. Weiner inquiring about South Daytona's request for CPR training. Mr. Rafferty explained that Port Orange Fire Rescue has offered South Daytona the use of their manikins anytime they would be doing CPR training. Mr. Bledsoe stated that DBCC would be happy to lend their equipment as well.

*The Board unanimously approved Volusia County Medical Director an award of \$15,812 for Instructor hours and supplies through DBCC/ESI.*

**Motion: Rafferty**

**Second: Mellon**

Total EMS Trust Funds appropriations were \$140,612.

*The Board unanimously approved for the balance of funds to be kept in reserve.*

**Motion: Rafferty**

**Second: Weiner**

*The Board unanimously approved for the Chair to adjust award amounts as necessary.*

**Motion: Mellon**

**Second: Rafferty**

With no further business and no new business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.