



EMS Section of the International Association of Fire Chiefs

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EMS Section Board Call *Thursday, February 14, 2:00 PM (CDT)*

Attendees: McEvoy, Riley, Deardorff, Croom, Shimer, Metro, Becker, Davis

Agenda

Chief McEvoy called the meeting to order at 2:05pm CT

EMS Section Elections

The EMS Section Board members discussed which positions are up for election this year and the general timeline for elections. Chief McEvoy announced that the 2019 EMS Section Elections Handbook has been posted online and will be shared in an upcoming EMS Section eblast next. The Board also discussed Chief Croom's term as International Director and will check to see if his position needs to be re-appointed at the Section Business Meeting at FRI.

EMS Nomenclature

Chief David Becker informed the group about a meeting he will be attending in Washington, DC in March on the issue of EMS nomenclature. The meeting is being hosted by the NHTSA EMS Office and facilitated by RedFlash. Chief Becker stated that he does anticipate the degree requirement issue also may come up during this meeting. Chief Becker will update the group following this meeting in March.

EMS 3.0 Project

Chief Chris Shimer announced that he will continue to represent the IAFC on the EMS 3.0 project that NAEMT is leading. Chief Shimer provided the group with a brief update on this project and the committee's work.

FRM 2019 Plans

Members of the PPC are considering obtaining polo shirts to identify themselves at the conference. The EMS Section Board discussed the possibility of purchasing these shirts for the PPC members rather than having the PPC members purchase the shirts themselves. The EMS Section Board agreed to consider this possibility and will do additional research to obtain quotes from other clothing vendors. This topic will be revisited on the March EMS Section Board call.

CFSI 2019

The EMS Section Board discussed their travel plans for the 2019 CFSI Dinner. The entire group, with the exception of Chief Shimer, plans to be in attendance. The EMS Section Board discussed their interest in having meetings focused on the drug shortage issue during their trip to DC. Evan



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will work on arranging these meetings as well as coordinating with CFSI to invite Dr. Krohmer to attend the CFSI Dinner.

Chief McEvoy updated the group on AMR's continued interest to invite the EMS Section Board to join them at their table for the CFSI Dinner.

Conflict of Interest

Chief McEvoy updated the group on a potential conflict of interest, however the group continues to unanimously agree that no such conflict exists. The EMS Section Board members reviewed the IAFC's Conflict of Interest policy.

Legislative Update

Evan updated the group on two main legislative/regulatory issues:

- CMMI Project: Earlier today, HHS and the DC Fire Department hosted a press conference to announce the creation of a model program to test payments for treatment-without-transportation and transportation to alternative destinations. The IAFC is cautiously optimistic that this model policy will bring benefits to the entire EMS industry. [More information can be found on the IAFC website](#). The EMS Section Board agreed that this is promising, however CMMI will need to release additional details before the IAFC is able to formally endorse the proposal.
- SIREN Funding: Congress is currently working on funding the federal government through FY 2019. Once this is complete, the IAFC will working on building support for strong initial funding of the SIREN grant program. The IAFC anticipated pursuing a \$20 million appropriation level for SIREN in FY 2020.

The call was adjourned at 3:00pm CT