



State of Louisiana
Louisiana Department of Health
Office of Public Health

Emergency Medical Services Certification Commission

7273 Florida Blvd
Baton Rouge, LA 70806

December 15, 2023

1) **Call to Order:** Chair Otha Colbert Schamburg called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

2) **Pledge of Allegiance**

3) **Roll Call**

Commissioner Name		Commissioner Name	
Otha Henry Schamburg, Chair <i>Public EMS Agency</i>	Present	<i>Brandon Lee</i> <i>Professional Firefighters Association</i>	Present
Scott Thames, M.D., Vice Chair <i>Louisiana State Medical Society</i>	Present	<i>Casey McBeath</i> <i>Private EMS Agency</i>	Present
Adam Oliver, Secretary <i>Louisiana State Nurses Association/ Emergency Nurses Association</i>	Present	<i>Meg Marino, M.D.</i> <i>American Academy of Pediatrics</i>	Absent
<i>Carl Flores</i> <i>Paramedic</i>	Absent	<i>Navdeep Samra, M.D.</i> <i>American College of Surgeons</i>	Present
<i>Toby Henry</i> <i>Louisiana Fire Chiefs Association</i>	Absent	<i>Matthew Stumpf</i> <i>Emergency Medical Technicians</i>	Present
<i>Kirk LaCour</i> <i>Louisiana Municipal Association</i>	Present	Christopher Willoughby, M.D. <i>American College of Emergency Physicians</i>	Present
		Quorum	Yes

Bureau of Emergency Medical Services Staff

Susan Bailey, Director	Present
Stacy Barbay, Deputy Director, Commission Facilitator	Present
David McKay, Bureau of Legal Services	Present
Carlesia Bibbins, Bureau of Legal Services	Present

4) **Public Comment:** None

5) **Approval of Minutes**

The October 20, 2023 meeting minutes were approved with reading waived. Motion made by Adam Oliver and 2nd by Brandon Lee. Motion carried unanimously.

6) **Formal Disciplinary Hearings**

Name	Violations	Action
Melissa Armstrong	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §503(D)(8) Is guilty of moral turpitude. • La R.S. 40:1133.7(9) Unprofessional conduct. • La R.S. 40:1133.7(4) Is habitually intemperate in the use of or abuses alcohol or habit-forming drugs. • LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §503(D)(3) Is unfit or incompetent by reason of negligence, habit, or other cause; The terms “unfit or incompetent,” “habit,” and “other cause” are defined in LAC Title 46, Part XXXVIII §507. The following “other causes” listed therein are involved/at issue: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • c. Failure to utilize appropriate judgment; • LAC Title 46 Part XXXVIII §503(D)(9) Has violated any provision of this Subpart. 	<p>Motion by: Adam Oliver Second by: Brandon Lee Abstention: Casey McBeath Aye: 7 Nay: 0</p> <p>Decision:</p> <p>Within 30 days, seek assessment of a certified Substance Abuse Counselor (SAP) and submit treatment recommendation and follow their recommendations through 3/31/2027 with quarterly documentation from the counselor of compliance. Probation and quarterly 10-panel drug screen that tests for Marijuana, PCP, Cocaine, Amphetamines, Opiates, Benzodiazepines, Barbiturate, Propoxyphene Methadone 3/31/2027. Fine of \$50.00. Violation of probation will result in an immediate summary suspension.</p>

7) **Recurring Business**

a) **EMS Practitioner Disciplinary Ratification of Decisions**

Melissa Armstrong	Walter Mackel
Christopher Braumiller	Ciera Manuel

Todd Brooks	Joanna Marcano
Christian Burrus	Bobby Marshall, Jr,
Justin Calderon	Hanssel Martinez
Aaliyah Carter	Tristen McDonald
Henry Contreras	Crystal McDougal
Hilary Cooper	Jerry McVay
Tylin Crum	Andrew Miner
Ma'rquan Culbert	Dustin Moreau
Steven David	Jessica Mosely
Kent Dauzat	Benjamin Nash
Tiffany Davis	Cadence Roberts
Phillip Engle	Laura Rodenbaugh
David English	James Rorie
Brigette Ersrud	Gavin Sauce
Kari Francis	James Schramm
David Freeman	Noah Scogin
Anthony Garrett, Jr,	Kenneth Shoults
Stephen Gibbs	Mathew Spencer
Sebastian Gibson	X'Sondria Sullivan
Steve Gorum	Thomas Sutherland
Lillian Harper	Nicholas Theriot
James Hartley	Christopher Tregre
Jafaira Holland	Christopher Velek
Christopher Hunkin	Ashanti Venus
Carl Joseph	Jackie Walker
Anthony Lama	Crystal Williams
Jessica Lehman	Jade Williams

Motion to ratify these determinations made by Casey McBeath and 2nd Scott Thames.
 Motion carried unanimously.

b) Scope of Practice:

i) EMT Practice Outside of EMS Clarification

The information was discussed and response will be drafted, at the direction of Kirk LaCour, and communicated by the Bureau of EMS staff. Motion by Adam Oliver and 2nd by Matthew Stumpf. Motion passed unanimously.

8) Old Business

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a) **Substance Abuse/PTSD Treatment Programs Workgroup**

The Bureau of EMS is to edit the Deferred Decision Matrix to include a standardized punishment for a standardized infraction regarding failed drug screening of illicit drugs and present at the next regular scheduled meeting.

9) **New Business:** No new business was discussed.

Kirk LaCour made a motion to add discussion of the crash data form from ambulance standards to new business. 2nd Adam Oliver. Motion carried unanimously.

10) Next Meeting: February 16, 2024

11) **Adjournment:** Motion made by Adam Oliver and seconded by Chris Willoughby, motion carried unanimously to adjourn at 1:02 p.m.