Executive Summary
COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF MEDICAL TRANSPORT SYSTEMS
Nashville, TN - September 18, 19, and 20 of 2014.

Board Members Present: Mr. Gryniuk, Mr. Sittig, Dr. Orr, Mr. A. Smith, Dr. Rogers
Mr. Hickman, Dr. Stuhlmiller, Dr. Brunko, Mr. Brisbois, Dr. Becker, Dr. Alexander, Ms. Rush,
Ms. Treadwell, Dr. Wedel, Dr. Conn, Mr. Brown, Mr. Miller, Dr. Holleran, Mr. Ruff, Ms.
Palmer (Friday and Saturday), Ms. Montgomery (Saturday)

Staff Present: Ms. Frazer, Mr. D. Smith

Dr. Rogers called the meeting to order and welcomed new Board member Rick Ruff,
representing NEMSPA.

I. BUSINESS MEETING

A. Minutes were approved from July 10-12 and July 16, 2014

B. Treasurer's Report..............................Mr. A. Smith / Ms. Frazer
   The 2015 Budget was approved with no increase in base fees for accreditation. An
   increase of $100.00 per day per site surveyor on-site fees (which will serve as an
   increase to site surveyors) and a $100.00 per base increase for more than 5 bases.
   Supplemental survey fees were increased by $500.00 to $2500.00.
   An increase in Public Relations line item was budgeted as there is a greater demand
   for attending case manager and international conferences.

C. Executive Director's Report.................Ms. Frazer / Mr. D. Smith
   We recently joined ANSI (American National Standards Institute). The National
   Association of State EMS Officials (NASEMSO) encouraged our membership in
   ANSI as value adding for CAMTS and CAMTS is now also a member of NASEMSO.
   We will be applying to ANSI for certification of CAMTS as a standards forming
   organization. Following that certification, we will apply for certification as an
   accrediting organization. The Board has been searching for an appropriate oversight
   agency to review our internal processes and since we are a standards setting
   organization – ANSI seemed like the best fit.

   Ms. Frazer and Mr. D. Smith will be holding a mini site surveyor class at the next HAI
   Heli-Expo in order to increase our pool of aviation and medical escort expertise.

   Ms. Frazer listed her speaking engagements for the remainder of the year:

   International Assistance Group Forum - 11/5-11/7 in Milan
   International Travel Insurance Conf.— 11/11—11/13 –Venice
   Japanese Society for Air Medical Services—11/15—Osaka
   Assoc. for Promotion of Helicopter Industries - 11/17– Tokyo
A new policy was proposed to outline the process of accepting a new board member. Ms. Frazer will develop a draft of an acceptance procedure for new board members. The intent is to have the parent organizations of CAMTS submit a candidate for an open board position that will then require approval by CAMTS. Mr. D. Smith also created a board member service agreement.

The Board discussed ideas of how to streamline our deliberations. There was discussion regarding further developing our scoring system to assist in identifying programs that do not need review by the entire board. Dr. Alexander related the discussion he had with statisticians regarding a scoring methodology. The number of subjective variables creates a challenge for developing a sound scoring system but he and Dr. Orr will follow-up with a plan.

Ms. Frazer reviewed our AMTC schedule and distributed a calendar of events for this week's activities.

Ms. Frazer stated that board member Dr. Brunko is receiving the Medical Director of the Year award from AMPA, site surveyor Patti Corbett is receiving the ASTNA Lynn Steven's award and site surveyor Linda Meiner is receiving the Peggy Calhoun award from CAMTS at this conference.

D. Dr. Rogers reviewed the CAMTS key strategies that were developed at our summer meeting:

- Standards
- International
- Data Base
- Internal Processes
- Influence/Evaluation

Committees were established to work on the above topics between meetings to better define and build on our strategies.

E. Dr. Becker and Mr. Brisboi reviewed their work in redrafting a vision statement for the organization. Their redraft reads as follows: "Vision Statement: Patients receive continuous, state of the art medical care throughout every mode of transport while being provided with the utmost level of safety to maximize the medical outcome. Our accredited medical services act as competent, professional, respectful and passionate advocates for patients." The board debated the language of the redraft. The current redraft will be distributed via e-mail for further discussion and review.

F. Further business: Ms. Frazer stated that she had recently been contacted by a medical malpractice underwriter who indicated that they currently offer a 10% discount on premiums to providers from CAMTS accredited programs. The underwriter stated that they have identified a reduced number of malpractice claims in CAMTS accredited programs. The board discussed researching how many underwriters might also be providing a malpractice insurance discount.
II. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Aviation Advisory and Safety Committee…………………………..Mr. Brisbois
The committee met following the board meeting to review standard revisions. An open to the public meeting was held on Monday from 1-3 PM.

B. Education Committee……………………………………………………..Dr. Holleran
Dr. Holleran stated that the education matrix needs to be updated and asked for suggestions about courses and potential equivalency courses that we should consider including.

C. Standards……………………………………………………………………Ms. Frazer/Mr. D. Smith
There was a CAMTS Town Hall meeting announced to discuss and take comments on proposed changes especially Types of Care. The meeting was held Monday from 3-5 PM. All comments and suggested changes will be forwarded to the full Board.

D. Quality Management………………………………………………………Ms. Treadwell
Ms. Treadwell states that the QM plan has been revised and that site surveyors Cheryl Wraa, Heather McClellan, Barbara Dunham and Jackie Stocking have assisted with the committee work. A QM dashboard has been created and was shared with the board and will also be shared at the Site Surveyor breakfast at AMTC. Board members were encouraged to attend the site surveyor breakfast to see Ms. Treadwell's entire presentation on the QM activities.

E. Marketing/PR……………………………………………………………………Ms. Palmer
Ms. Palmer reviewed the CAMTS Twitter account and encouraged the board to follow CAMTS on Twitter at "@CAMTS1". Ms. Palmer reviewed some of the tweets she has distributed regarding CAMTS' AMTC activities. The Twitter account and its postings were reviewed with the board.

F. Critical Elements Review……………………………………Dr. Brunko/Dr. Wedel
Dr. Wedel provided an overview of the workgroup's progress in reviewing selected medical protocols from programs applying for accreditation. Dr. Alexander, Dr. Stuhlmiller, Dr. Orr, Dr. Brunko and Dr. Wedel have been participating in this review. Dr. Wedel believes they are now capable of reviewing protocols for all programs undergoing the accreditation process rather than just a sampling of programs. If all programs are able to be reviewed consistently, these findings should be included in the accreditation decision. Not all protocols will be reviewed but rather the same critical protocols for all programs will be reviewed. The group has found that if the five critical protocols that they are evaluating are up to date, then other random protocols that they have reviewed have tended to also be current.
III. ACCREDITATION DELIBERATIONS

The Board

Congratulations to the following services that were accredited for the first time or reaccredited at the September meeting! The Board of Directors reviewed 17 services: there were 13 Full Accreditations and 3 Probations awarded and 1 Withhold decision.

New Programs:

- Classic Lifeguard…………..RW/FW Woods Cross, UT
- Commercial Med Escorts…..ME Boca Raton, FL
- Geisinger Life Flight ……RW Danville, PA

Reaccreditations:

- Airlift NW …………………..RW/FW Seattle, WA
- Benefis Mercy Flight…………RW/FW Great Falls, MT
- Cleveland Metro Life Flight …RW/G Cleveland, OH
- Eagle Air Med Corporation…..RW/FW Blanding, UT
- Flight for Life Milwaukee……RW Milwaukee, WI
- HELP Flight…………………..RW/FW Billing, MT
- Life Fight Network………..RW/FW/GCC-ALS/BLS Aurora, OR
- Life Flight of Maine…………RW/G Bangor and Lewiston, ME
- LifeFlight - St Mary’s Medical Center………………RW Evansville, IN
- Life Net South Carolina……RW West Columbia, SC
- MedFlight Ohio………………RW/G Columbus, OH
- Shriners Hospitals for Children-Transport Team…FW Cincinnati, OH
- Staff for Life Helicopter Service………………RW Columbia, MO

The next Board meeting will be in Charlotte, NC April 16-18 in conjunction with CCTMC.

Respectfully Submitted,
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Executive Director