

Advisory Committee Minutes

PROGRAM COMMITTEE NAME:		Emergency Medical Services Professions		
CHAIRPERSON:	Justin Boyd			
MEETING DATE:	11-3-2022	MEETING TIME:	0830	MEETING PLACE: Amarillo College, West Campus, B 104
RECORDER:	Janet Workman		PREVIOUS MEETING:	11-5-21
MEMBERS PRESENT				
List all members of the committee, then place an X in the box left of name if present				
	NAME	TITLE	EMPLOYER INFO	PHONE
X	Justin Boyd (Empl/Clinical)	Advisory Committee Chair	Amarillo Medical Services	806.270.0870
X	Perry Perkins (Empl/Clinical/Hos)	EMS Coordinator	BSA EMS	806.655.7726
	Cpt. Sean Fox (Grad/Fire/Emp)	Cpt. of Special Programs	Pantex EMS	806.477.6512
X	Brandi Mueller (Graduate)	Paramedic	Dumas EMS	308.660.0622
X	Mark Price (Govt. Official)	Public Health Emerg. Prepar.	City of Amarillo	806.471.1459
X	Apryl McGallian (Empl/Clinical)	AMS Education Director	Amarillo Medical Services	806.679.0098
X	Heather Williams (Student)	Student Representative	AC EMSP Student	806.518.1054
X	Debi Schmidt (Public)	Self		806.236.3872
	John Smoot (Alt. Loc. Director)	Director of Sim Central	Texas Tech University	806.414.9572
X	Ryan Smith	RAC Prehospital Chair		806.206.0707
	Chris Veal	NWTH ED Director	Northwest Texas Hospital	806.898.0639
X	Chad Zarbock	Captain	Pantex Fire Department	806.477.6512
EX-OFFICIO'S PRESENT				
	Dr. Tamara Clunis	Vice-Pres Academic Affairs (VPAA)	Amarillo College	806.371.5226
	Becky Burton	Associate VPAA	Amarillo College	806.371.5122
X	Dr. Linda Munoz	Dean of Technical Education	Amarillo College	806.335.4352
X	Eric Wallace	Public Safety Academy Director	Amarillo College	806.356.3682
X	Dr. Darrell Morgan (Physician)	Program Medical Director	Pampa Regional Hospital	806.378.3513
	Dr. Stephen Howard (Physician)	Associate Medical Director	Northwest Texas Hospital	806.223.6655
X	Wade Olsen	EMSP Program Director	Amarillo College	806.354.6077
X	Richard "Buddy" Todd	EMSP Faculty/Instructor	Amarillo College	806.354.6069
X	Paul Whitfield	EMSP Faculty/Instructor	Amarillo College	806.356.3662
	Susan Garmany	DSHS EMS Specialist	TX. Dpt. of State Health Ser.	806.477.1131
X	Sheree Talkington	OTA Program Director	Amarillo College	806.570.5371
X	Jessica Sanchez	West Campus Advising	Amarillo College	806.371.5456
X	Adrine J. Harrell-Carter	Perkins Grant Project Director	Amarillo College	806.371.5974

AGENDA ITEM	ACTION DISCUSSION INFORMATION	RESPONSIBILITY
Call to Order/ Approval of Minutes	Justin Boyd called the meeting to order at 8:40. Justin welcomed the group and introductions were made. Justin asked for a motion to approve last meetings minutes. Ryan Smith 1 st , Mark Price 2 nd . Motion approved.	Justin Boyd
Health Science Advisor Report	Nothing to report.	Jessica Sanchez
Medical Director's Report	Nothing to report.	Dr. Darrell Morgan
Student Report	Nothing to report.	Heather Williams
Affiliation Reports	A. Texas DSHS- Susan Garmany B. Amarillo Public Health Emergency Preparedness -Mark Price C. BSA EMS-Perry Perkins D. AMS- Justin Boyd/ Apryl McGallian E. NWTB ED- Chris Veal F. Pantex Fire Department- Sean Fox /Joshua Taylor nothing to report G. RAC Pre-hospital Chair Ryan Smith	Committee
VP of Academic Affairs Report	Eric gave an update of the First Responder Building.	Eric Wallace
Dean of Technical Education Rpt	SACS graded our college and we got a 100%. Also, Aspen will be back on campus.	Linda Munoz

Director's Report

What's New this year

- Last 3-years (2019, 2020, 2021)
 - 76% pass rates on *all* National Registry Paramedic attempts (25/33 candidates)
- What Happened!? It was 91%!
 - Covid – May 2021 Grads
 - May 2021 Paramedic Grads – still testing
 - 40% *written* pass rates on National Registry attempts (4/10 candidates)
 - 4/10 (40%) are fully Registered
 - 3/10 have not completed their psychomotor testing
 - 6/10 have not yet passed written
- If this group is ignored, the 2019, 2020 pass rate remains 91%
- Supporting JEMS Article pointing to Covid as the issue
 - [Examining COVID-19 Effects On the TX NREMT Paramedic Exam - JEMS EMS, Emergency Medical Services - Training, Paramedic, EMT News.pdf](#)

Old Business

- 1st Responders Academy
 - Still progressing
 - <https://www.actx.edu/bond/first-responders-academy>
 - Location.....
 - Old JC Penny building (Plains & Western)
 - Just East of the Grace Church
 - [Academy Renderings.pdf](#)
 - Target Completion: Uncertain – Supply Chain issues
 - Questions/Thoughts?

Covid pushed back our re-accreditation process. Below is directly from CoA (Lynn Caruthers)

Amarillo College holds Continuing accreditation and it does not expire.

The current 5 year cycle ends March 30 2023 but will continue on until CoAEMSP gets your program through the next comprehensive review cycle below...

...As I stated, the notification date is set for 8/1/23 and the CSSR is due by 2/1/24. Site visit could occur late 2024 or early 2025 based on the number of self studies at the time yours is due and site visitor availability once

the Executive Analysis is issued and your program is placed in the queue for a site visit.

Accreditation Housekeeping

- EMSP Program's Stated Goal:
 - To prepare competent entry-level Paramedics in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains with or without exit points at the Advanced Emergency Medical Technician and/or Emergency Medical Technician, and/or Emergency Medical Responder levels.
 - Note: This goal is required verbatim by CAAHEP/CoAEMSP
- Advisory Committee Action:
 - Request discussion/approval to *continue* the Program's required goal. [CAAHEP Standard II.C. Minimum Expectation]

There was a motion to approve the goal. 1st Dr. Darrell Morgan, 2nd Perry Perkins, all approved.

- Annual CoA report
 - Reported Data is now 2 years behind to allow cohorts to completely finish testing prior to reporting.
 - [600408 2020 Annual Report.xlsx](#)
- Post-Graduation Reports
 - *Employer* survey results:
 - [2021 May Employer Survey Data.pdf](#)
 - Post Graduate survey results:

[2021 May Paramedic Survey Responses.pdf](#)

- Resource Assessment Matrix (RAM) Surveys
 - Students have already completed for 2022
 - Faculty and Advisory Committee complete it today.
 - Results thus far:

[2022 Resource Assessment Matrix \(RAM\).xlsx](#)

- Long range needs
 - EMSP needs more lab/classroom space...
 - 1st Responders Academy plans underway

- Looking for "Future Ready" opportunities
- Slowly in the process of replacing EKG (4) with REALITI (5) simulation monitors – current LP12s are over 20 years old
 - Perkins funded 2 for this year
- Adding hyper-realistic adult manikins to phase out our two aging Laredal ALS manikins
 - Perkins funding for 1 this year
- CoA SMC Report (formally appendix G)
- 2022 Graduate Summary Tracking Report
 - 202205 Student Minimum Competency Matrix Export.xlsx
 - 2022 Grads summary-tracking.xlsx
- Minimum number of patient encounters [III.C.2. Curriculum]
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 - New "Recommendations"
 - Current SMC
- Advisory Committee Action:
 - Request discussion/approval of the NEW 2023 SMC required minimum numbers of patient/skill contacts for each of the required patients and conditions [CAAHEP Standard III.C.2. Curriculum]

1st Brandi Mueller, 2nd Perry Perkins, all approved.

- CAAHEP Standard III. A.2: Resources: Clinical/Field Affiliations
 - Current internship breakdown (644 total hours):
 - AEMT (320 total hours)
 - 96 hours – Emergency Departments
 - 224 hours ALS Ambulance
 - Paramedic (324 hours)
 - 12 hours L&D
 - 12 hours OR
 - 72 hours Emergency Departments
 - 36 hours (Tx Tech pedi)
 - 24 hours with Dr. Nazim (SICU)
 - 168 hours Paramedic Ambulance (as Team Leader)

- Board Discussion of adequate exposures...
- Request continued approval

1st Mark Price, 2nd Perry Perkins, all approved.

Updates

- NR EMT success rates are still low, but seem to have stabilized
 - 56% pass rate as of 10-31-22 (down 4% from this time last year)
 - 95 completers so far this year (down 45 from last year)
 - 72 have attempted NR exam (up 14% from last year)
 - 40 have passed
- What are we doing about it?
 - lbest
 - EMSP Program Specific Tutor
 - Mandatory Tutoring with full AC resources supporting

- National Registry Changes

• **Psychomotor Advanced Exams ending**

- *The psychomotor examination will begin to be phased out when the new performance examination becomes operational. We anticipate the current examination will be phased out in 2023 (National Registry).*
- How will candidates be tested on skill performance?
 - EMS educational programs will need to attest to competence in physical skills for each candidate before the candidate is eligible to take the new examination...
 - ...CoAEMSP provides guidelines for accredited programs that satisfy the requirement (National Registry).

- National Registry Changes

- The Written exam is changing/expanding
 - *As we move away from the psychomotor examination, we begin **expanding the current cognitive examination to include new material related to communications, leadership and clinical judgment.***
 - *The expanded examination will focus on soft skills and the **EMS process.***
 - <https://www.nremt.org/Document/ALS-Redesign>

- They are **INCREASING** the level of clinical judgement required to pass

- [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= 9Rpeon1S6k](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Rpeon1S6k)

- Rote memorization will not serve students well

- Hybrid Paramedic Project
 - Regional Stakeholders (Clarendon, Pampa, Canadian, Hereford)
 - Same issues – Travel to Amarillo not preferable
 - AMS
 - AFD
 - Remainder of Director's report: Committee discussion of the program's design...
- Program length
 - What we all know
 - Industry demand for paramedics is critical across the nation
 - Enrollment in Paramedic programs is down nationally
 - Recruitment is an ongoing challenge for AC and industry.
 - Points to consider
 - 17 month (AEMT + Medic) vs. 12 month program (AEMT + Medic)
 - Curriculum last updated 2013
 - State minimum: 1200 | AC program hours: 1508

**Motion made for AC to have EMT Advanced Hybrid options,
1st Ryan Smith, 2nd Perry Perkins, motion carried.**

**Motion for Paramedic Hybrid under 12 months,
1st Ryan Smith, Dr. Darrell Morgan, motion carried.**

New Business/Questions			
Adjournment	No further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:31 AM		Justin Boyd
Date: 11/16/2022	Executive Secretary Signature: Janet Workman 		Next Meeting: Fall 2023