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## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 22, 2021

Present: Joseph Schmider, Texas-Chair  
Donnie Woodyard, Colorado-Vice-Chair  
Joe House, Kansas-Secretary  
Wayne Denny, Idaho-Treasurer

Absent: Justin Romanello, New Hampshire-Member-at-Large

### Guests:

Doug Wolfberg, Page, Wolfberg and Wirth	Alan Arguello, NREMT
Dan Manz, EMS Compact	Josh Tilton, NREMT
Ray Mollers, NREMT	Sean Smith, NREMT
Mark Terry, NREMT	Tracy Henson, NREMT

### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Schmider called the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice to order at 3:00 p.m. Friday, January 22, 2021 and took roll call.

### AGENDA REVIEW

Chair Schmider opened the floor for any comments on the agenda, hearing none, moved on.

### MINUTES

Chair Schmider asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the December 18, 2020. Hearing none, House moved for approval; Woodyard seconded. Motion approved.

### REPORTS

#### Treasurer

Denny submitted the Treasurer's report; the current balance is \$4,156.51. Chair Schmider asked if there were any questions regarding the report. Hearing none, Woodyard moved for approval; House seconded. Motion approved.

- Moller stated the National Registry is reviewing the final agreement and will forward the annual check soon

#### NREMT

Mollers updated the committee on the following:

- End user database updates are complete
  - Future updates will be based on functionality issues
- Education materials are in development
  - Scheduling states for data entry and end user training

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- Creating a FAQ on data requirements for NEMSCD
  - ESO-2 states
  - ImageTrend – 8 states
  - Custom In-House Systems – remaining states
- Shipped EMS Compact polo shirts to commissioner offices; please check and let Ray know if it was not received.
- NHTSA requested the speak at NEMSAC in February
  - Topic: Discuss the Compact history, current status, how the Compact works, and the role of the database
  - A working group will meet the week of 1/25/2021 to develop an agenda and talking points for a 10–15-minute presentation

Woodyard recognized the National Registry staff for their work on a massive development effort to address a data translation requirement on licensure status into NEMSCD. The National Registry worked on a mechanism to correctly map over providers' privilege to practice status when their status is currently something other than Active License.

Woodyard also recognized the National Registry staff for implementing a modification to NEMSCD. The change ensures the NEMSCD data is aligned with the standards established by the National Practitioner Database. Woodyard also noted that the change will standardize the reporting mechanism for states to enter license discipline.

### Educator

Manz updated the committee on the following:

- Public Announcement Videos –FAQ Videos
  - Working group met and finalized FAQ and Compact Background videos
  - Videos are posted to the EMS Compact YouTube channel and cross posted on the Facebook and LinkedIn pages
  - Will reach out to other commissioners for future videos
- Website Redesign
  - Meeting week of 01.25.2021
  - Will discuss future functional needs
  - Task Force: Woodyard, Romanello, Manz, and Tilton
- Working with the National Registry to develop database policy regarding access and security
  - Who, from the state, is responsible for assigning end users and their level of access?
- Worked with Chair Schmider and Vice Chair Woodyard to the Executive Director position description
- Rule 11.7 revision discussion
  - The rule change deletes Section 11.7 of the existing Rules and adjusts portions of Section 4 for consistency
  - Public notice announcement will be on the website week of 1.25.2021 calling for public review and comment
    - Will discuss proposed changes and public comments
    - Vote at Full Commissioner meeting April 2, 2021

Woodyard motioned for Commissioner Denny, Rules Committee Chair, to lead the effort to finalize the draft proposed rule changes to clarify the sharing of criminal background information and present the changes at the Full Commissioner meeting for review and approval on April 2, 2021; House seconded. Motion approved.

## OTHER BUSINESS | PUBLIC COMMENT

### IAFF, NAEMT and AAA Letter

Chair Schmider shared with the committee his response to the joint letter from IAFF, NAEMT and AAA regarding the selling of ICEMSPP data. Chair Schmider stated the EMS Compact position is it will not sell data and will take measure to put a policy in place to ensure it.

Woodyard stated it is paramount that Compact data is protected. The Compact intends to draft a resolution to clarify the Compact stance on data security and the selling of data and will present the resolution and policy at the Full Commissioner meeting on April 2, 2021 for approval.

Chris Lake, IAFF, thanked Chair Schmider for his response

Woodyard recognized the increase in public attendees at the meetings and thanked them for their attendance and interest in the EMS Compact.

With no further business brought before the Commission, House motioned to adjourn; Woodyard seconded; Chair Schmider adjourned the meeting at 4:02 p.m. Friday, January 22, 2021.

Next EC conference call is February 5, 2021 at 3:00 PM (EDT)

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joe House", is written over a light blue rectangular background.

Commissioner Joe House, Kansas

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## Treasurer's Report - January 21, 2021

Previous Balance (December 18, 2020): \$9,031.51  
Payments made since previous meeting (Invoice for Educator monthly payment): \$4,875  
Current Balance (January 21, 2021): \$4,156.51

Respectfully submitted,

Commissioner Wayne Denny, Idaho

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Joe Schmider, Chair  
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Chairman Schmider,

Thank you for taking the time a few weeks ago to discuss a shared concern among industry stakeholders that a lack of clarity in the compact's rules creates an opportunity for the commission to sell the personal data of licensed paramedics and EMTs.

The American Ambulance Association (AAA), International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF), and National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT) encourage you and the commission to engage stakeholders and amend the compact's rules to clarify how this personal data may be used by the commission and ensure that the personal information of these individuals is not sold. We believe the lack of protections and absence of clarity on this matter are inconsistent with the original mission and intent of the compact and if not addressed, may jeopardize the success of the compact.

The intent of this request is not to hamstring the commission from taking steps to improve the emergency medical service (EMS) industry, but instead to ensure the rights of practitioners are protected. Although we appreciate your assurance that data will not be sold as long as you are the chair, the fact of the matter is you and the other commissioners will not serve in perpetuity and steps must be taken to ensure personal data is and remains secure.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we look forward to hearing from you.

Respectfully,

American Ambulance Association  
International Association of Fire Fighters  
National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians

