

**Northwest Community EMS System  
Education Committee Meeting  
MINUTES  
May 1, 2018**

Agenda item	Discussion
<b>Call to Order</b> <b>Previous Minutes</b> <b>Review of Agenda</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call to order at 09:10</li> <li>• March 2018 minutes approved</li> </ul>
<b>Introductions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>
<b>Education Committee Meeting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Paramedic Chair Position</b> – J. Tobiasz of Elk Grove Township returned to the Education Committee and offered to take back the Paramedic Chair position. Committee members presented voted to reinstate him. It was discussed to consider adding a back-up chair position to the committee.</li> <li>• <b>Monthly CE Review</b> – It was asked if the CE quiz on ECG interpretation and future quizzes could be graded in class so people could see their personal result. This quiz needed to be looked at as a valid needs assessment as the System goes through the process. The System is looking at what are the needs for future CE topics and what are up and coming needs based on the time of year and what is being found by the paramedic's on incidents. There was discussion on pain management and future CE on that topic. The Education Committee may be relied on more to help direct future CE. Those who have CE topics should submit them in the next ten days.</li> </ul>
<b>System and State Updates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There's an updated IV procedure with the use of a saline lock/j-loop. There's the possibility of a new type of IV catheter.</li> <li>• Persistent V-fib verses use of medication based on rhythms witnessed is being looked at.</li> <li>• The State agenda of the Education Committee will be on April 23, 2018. Federal and State level will be moving to System Level. The first reading of the State Education and Scope of Practice will take place.</li> <li>• The new National Scope of practice is expected late in 2018. The System's Chiefs support the National Registry Testing. Currently, there has been no discussion regarding Illinois's decision on moving from State Testing to the National Registry. There will be an open Q&amp;A on the direction Illinois may go regarding NREMT testing.</li> <li>• The hospitals are updating their By-pass Rules.</li> <li>• Three EMS Educators will be receiving IDPH Educator Awards. Arlington Heights will be receiving an award.</li> <li>• A bridge curriculum for those areas where EMT's have not yet been updated is hopefully coming by fall.</li> <li>• There's a plan for National Model of EMS Guidelines across Illinois.</li> <li>• It is expected that there will be numerous documents coming out at the end of 2018 on the direction EMS is going.</li> <li>• There are 3 Lead Instructor courses coming up in Illinois.</li> <li>• The State has approved System MIHC. The Community Paramedic will focus on re-admission prevention.</li> <li>• <b>EMT Class</b> - May 17 will be the EMT final exam.</li> <li>• <b>Paramedic Class</b> - Current class is in the field internship phase. Testing for the next class is currently underway. A 4-day a week paramedic class is being considered.</li> <li>• <b>King Vision</b> - Only a few agencies remain placing it in service. The goal is to have the entire System completed by July 1, 2018.</li> <li>• <b>Cardiac Arrest Committee</b> – Has started hosting meetings. They are looking for opportunities on how pre-hospital care for the cardiac arrest patient can be improved. Cardiac monitor software is available for arrest data. They will be meeting with dispatch agencies and reviewing their pre-hospital procedures. The next phase will be to have agencies use their cardiac monitors "Events" buttons on a regular basis and format them similarly across the system.</li> </ul>
<b>Next Meeting</b> <b>Adjournment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There will be no meeting in July; the next meeting will be September 4, 2018.</li> <li>• With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:00.</li> </ul>