

AIR AMBULANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Committee Minutes	Air Ambulance Committee Meeting
Date	March 18, 2024
Time	10:00 am CST
Location	665 Mainstream Drive, Iris Room
Participants	Members present: Robbie Tester, Cindy Bailey, Renee Jacobs, Kevin Nooner, Matthew Owens, Jonathan Wood, Lesley Roberts, John Smith, Nina Jernigan, Brian Tompkins, Brandon Ward, Chip Cook

Overall Lead	Topic	Summary / Decision	Assignments / Next Steps	Responsible Person	Time Frame
Robbie Tester	Roll Call	The meeting was called to order by Robbie Tester. Roll call was completed. A quorum was present.	n/a	n/a	n/a
Robbie Tester	Election of Co-Chair	Nomination of Matt Owens by L. Owens and second by J. Smith. Matt Owens elected as co-chair by unanimous affirmation.	n/a	n/a	n/a
Robbie Tester	Approval of Minutes	Motion to approve December 5, 2022, minutes by M. Owen with second by C. Bailey. Motion approved unanimously. Motion to approve December 4, 2023, minutes by J. Smith with second by J. Wood. Motion approved unanimously.	n/a	n/a	n/a
Robbie Tester	Update on Proposed Rule Changes	Rules are with Office of General Council (OGC).	n/a	n/a	n/a
Director Brandon Ward	Items from the Board	None	n/a	n/a	n/a
Robbie Tester	Appointment of Medical Director to sit on Committee	Three physicians submitted interest in being on the Air Ambulance Committee as Medical Director: Ashley Panas, David Bentley, and Frank Tift. Briefing on each of the physicians were provided by committee members familiar with each physician. It was noted that Dr. Bentley is a resident of Kentucky. Nomination for Dr. Panas by K. Nooner with second by R. Jacobs. Nomination for Dr. Tift by J. Smith and second by M. Owens. Called vote completed for each physician. Dr. Tift confirmed as nomination for Medical Director for Air Ambulance Committee and will be presented to the EMS Board.	Make recommendation to Board	Robbie Tester or Matt Owens	March 20-21, 2024

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		R. Tester may be unable to attend Board meeting so committee updates will be presented by M. Owens.			
Brandon Ward	Items from the Board	None	n/a	n/a	n/a
Robbie Tester	Medical Equipment List	<p>Workgroup meeting on February 20, 2024, reviewed airway and oxygen, oxygen, oxygen delivery devices, suction devices and supplies, diagnostic and assessment devices, bandages and dressings materials, immobilization devices, and patient car supplies.</p> <p>The full equipment list will need to be reviewed by Clinical Issues (meeting on June 12, 2024) prior to presentation to the Board. Equipment lists are updated annually at the September Board meeting.</p> <p>Committee reviewed and made draft recommendations to obstetrical emergency equipment, infection control supplies, intravenous therapy supplies, and cardiac defibrillators and monitors.</p> <p>We will review our draft list to ensure neonatal transport equipment conforms to the standards adopted in the Tennessee Perinatal Care System Guidelines for Transportation, Tennessee Department of Health, Division of Family Health and Wellness, Seventh Edition, 2020 or successor publication.</p>	Complete equipment list	Air Ambulance Committee	June 17, 2024
Robbie Tester	Old Business	TACN Network: Update from Director Ward: Currently building out towers and focusing on primary 911 services. J. Wood shared that eventually primary use of 205 and 340 will migrate to TACN; Dir. Ward confirmed that plan to keep existing frequencies as a backup system.	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Robbie Tester	New Business	New representative for HEART: John Smith will be resigning position from Heart. Robbie to communicate with organization for recommendation for replacement. Replacement will be shared with Committee on Committees for recommendation to the Board. Appreciation expressed for John and his work on this committee and for Air Medical and EMS.	Make recommendation to Committee on Committees	Robbie Tester	3/19/2024 if possible
	Next Meeting	June 17, 2024, at 10am in Poplar Board Room, 665 Mainstream Drive, Nashville, TN, 37243.	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Adjournment	Motion by M. Owens and second by C. Bailey. Meeting adjourned at 1200.	n/a	n/a	n/a

Minutes recorded and submitted by Kevin Nooner. Minutes are not necessarily recorded in order of discussion.