



**OHIO MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2008**

Members present: Tom Allenstein, Tony Anteau, Becky Baute, Herb de la Porte, John Moore, Indira Mulligan, Dr. Schwartz, and David Viola

Staff present: Ronald Grout, Connie White, Diane Conrad, and David Trudics

AAG Representative: Barb Pfeiffer

The regular meeting was called to order at 11:10 a.m. by Chair Baute and roll call was taken with Allenstein, Anteau, Baute, de la Porte, Moore, Mulligan, Schwartz, and Viola present.

**BOARD RELATED MATTERS**

Motion was made by Allenstein to approve the September 16, 2008 board meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Moore. Motion was approved by all members present.

AAG Pfeiffer swore Mulligan in for reappointment to the board.

A copy of the tentative 2009 meeting dates was shared with the board. A motion by Moore to approve the 2009 meeting dates. Motion was seconded by Viola. Motion was approved by all members present.

Grout shared with the board the 2008 and 2009 State Holidays. The board asked that the dates be posted on the OMTB web-site.

Baute discussed with the board that she feels the strategic plan needs more information than "On Going" for the updates. Updates will be given at the January 2009 meeting from each committee.

Baute reported to the board that Grout, Trudics, Pfeiffer, Schwartz, and she met before the board meeting in regards to New Board Member Orientation. She would like to have information in place for new board members that are appointed to the board. They are hopeful that they will be able to present the information at the January 2009 meeting.

**ENFORCEMENT MATTERS**

Trudics presented to the board a consent agreement for Case 2008-29. The service had operated out of an unlicensed location after being told by Director Grout to vacate. The service has agreed to a \$12,000.00 fine and a six month stayed suspension. A motion was made by Allenstein to accept the consent agreement. The motion was seconded by Mulligan. Motion was approved by all members excluding Anteau who had recused himself and sat in the audience during discussion and voting.

Prior to reporting on the Reports & Recommendations, AAG Pfeiffer shared with the board a copy of ORC 119.09. This section informs the board of how they can handle the report & recommendation.

AAG Pfeiffer presented to the board the Report & Recommendation from the Hearing Officer for Jackson Elite Transportation. A motion was made by de la Porte to affirm and approve the Hearing Officer's Report & Recommendation for Jackson Elite Transportation. The motion was seconded by Viola. The motion was passed by all members present.

AAG Pfeiffer presented the board the Report & Recommendation from the Hearing Officer for JMS Services, Inc. dba Premier Transportation. A motion was made by de la Porte to affirm and approve the Hearing Officer's Report & Recommendation for JMS Services, Inc. dba Premier Transportation. The motion was seconded by Anteau. The motion was passed by all members present.

Grout shared with the board information he received from Ohio Department of Job & Family Services. This was a review request form showing where they are investigating a service for fraud because of information they received from OMTB.

## **OFFICE STAFF REPORT**

### **Grout**

Grout shared with the board the revenue/expense reports. Allenstein asked about the encumbrance. Grout explained that was for contract services. Baute asked if the budget had been submitted. Grout stated the budget had been submitted September 15, 2008. Anteau asked what the revenue for seat belt fines was. Grout stated approximately \$90,000.00 annual. Allenstein asked about the City of Parma issue. Grout stated that he was not sure how to proceed because the information he received was from a phone conversation, nothing in writing. Grout stated he was hoping the auditor would have a finding against them. Anteau suggested contacting the auditor's office to see if any information is available. The board instructed Grout to send a letter to the City of Parma about the issue.

Grout shared with the board his OCPM Project 1 power point presentation. Grout then informed the board he had one class left and would be graduating sometime in December.

### **White**

White shared with the board the letter sent to Medicare for the November/December renewals.

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White informed the board that she will be presenting her OCPM Project 1 in December and that starting in January, the program goes to a fast track. This will require her to attend one class a week for 10 weeks. White may miss a few board meetings until the program is completed.

### **Conrad**

Conrad reported that the renewal applications continue to come in. The November renewals are still being processed. Conrad stated that the new checklist that is being sent with the renewal applications seems to be helping tremendously. Fewer applications are received by OMTB that are incomplete.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Baute asked that the funding issue be removed from "Old Business" as it is now covered in the Strategic Plan.

Grout shared with the board the Passenger Assistance program that OMTB had put together along with one from Mike Bakes. The board decided to take no action on this matter.

Viola reported that after reviewing the ALS equipment list, there are only a few that may need changed. He will have more information at the January 2009 meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Grout shared with the board a letter received from Action Ambulance requesting a rule change. Grout is to respond back that wording is already being changed in rule that will require the service to provide a report to the hospital within 24 hours of dispatch. The board felt the other item of concern falls under other agencies.

## **RENEWAL APPLICATIONS**

Motion was made by Moore to approve the ambulance renewal applications (see list below) based upon a satisfactory inspection. Motion was seconded by Anteau. Motion was approved by all members present.

Motion was made by Moore to approve the ambulette renewal applications (see list below) based upon a satisfactory inspection. Motion was seconded by Anteau. Motion was approved by all members present.

Motion was made by Anteau to approve the air medical renewal application (see list below) based upon a satisfactory inspection. Motion was seconded by Moore. Motion was approved by all members present.

Motion was made by Moore to ratify the renewal applications for September and October renewals for ambulance and ambulette. Motion was seconded by Anteau. Motion was approved by all members present.

## **NEW SERVICES**

Motion was made by Allenstein to approve the ambulette applications listed below. Motion was seconded by Anteau. Motion was approved by all members present.

Motion was made by Allenstein to approve the ambulance applications listed below. Motion was seconded by Anteau. Motion was approved by all members present.

Motion was made by Allenstein to approve the air medical application listed below. Motion was seconded by Anteau. Motion was approved by all members present.

## **NEW SATELLITE LOCATIONS**

Motion was made by de la Porte to approve the ambulance and ambulette (see list below) locations pending a satisfactory inspection. Motion was seconded by Allenstein. Motion was approved by all members present.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion made by Allenstein to adjourn to executive session at 12:50 p.m. for the discussion of complaints against licensed services. Motion seconded by Viola. Roll call was taken: Allenstein – Yes, Anteau – Yes, Baute – Yes, Moore – Yes, Mulligan – Yes, Schwartz – Yes, de la Porte – Yes, Slocum-Champion – absent, and Viola - Yes. Present for executive session for the discussion of complaints against services were Allenstein, Anteau, Baute, Moore, Mulligan, de la Porte, Viola, Dr. Schwartz, Grout, White, Conrad, Trudics, and Pfeiffer.

Executive Session adjourned at 1:10 p.m. Return to Regular Session at 1:10 p.m. to discuss action(s) to be taken from Executive Session.

## **ACTION TO BE TAKEN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made by de la Porte to close the following cases:

2008-13, 2008-21, 2008-33, 2008-37.

Motion was seconded by Anteau. Motion was approved by all members present.

Motion was made by Allenstein to close the following cases:

2009-02, 2009-17, 2009-18.

Motion was seconded by Mulligan. Motion was approved by all members present.

### **OTHER**

Grout informed the board that OMTB will get the information out to the private services regarding the new safety vest issue.

Grout wanted to inform the board of his appreciation to the staff for their continued hard work and dedication to the citizens of Ohio.

Mulligan also stated the staff was great and always very helpful.

Anteau asked about the pay for board members and insurance. Grout will set up a meeting with John Cunningham from CSA to draft language for the upcoming biennium.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be January 20, 2009 at the board offices.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn at 1:23 p.m. was made by de al Porte. Motion was seconded by Anteau. Motion to adjourn was approved by all members present.

Respectfully,

Connie White, Secretary

Rebecca Baute, Chair

### **RENEWAL APPLICATIONS WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF NOVEMBER**

Ambulance applications received/waiting inspections

73-018-2      Able Medical Transport of Southern Ohio, LLC

77-002-9 Akron Children's Hospital  
 47-008-9 Allen Medical Center  
 76-005-2 Ambulance Associates of Canton  
 50-103-0 Beaver Township Fire and Rescue  
 31-025-2 Community Angels Ambulance, LLC dba EMS Ambulance  
 01-006-2 Dayton Power & Light/Killen Electric Generating Station  
 34-004-9 Harrison Community Hospital Emergency Services  
 76-008-2 J&C Ambulance Service, Inc. dba LifeCare Medical Services, Inc.  
 73-001-2 Life Ambulance Service, Inc.  
 43-020-2 Lubrizol Fire Rescue  
 70-006-2 Mansfield Ambulance, Inc.  
 44-006-2 Medical Transportation Service  
 18-032-2 Mobil Martin EMS  
 25-011-4 Ohio Medical Transportation, Inc. dba MedFlight  
 56-002-2 Ormet Primary  
 31-005-9 Patient Transport Services, Inc.  
 44-002-2 Patriot Emergency Medical Services  
 65-001-2 Pickaway Plains Ambulance Service, Inc.  
 18-040-2 Rural/Metro of Northern Ohio, Inc.  
 90-018-2 Transcare of Kentucky, Inc.  
 30-002-2 United Ambulance Service of Cambridge, Inc.

Ambulette Applications received/waiting for completed inspection

76-501-5 ABCD Transportation Service  
 18-557-5 AC Health Services Transportation  
 77-509-5 Akron Transportation Service, L.L.C.  
 76-507-5 Ambulance Associates of Canton, Inc.  
 18-573-5 American Care Medical Transportation, Inc.  
 18-559-5 Artistic Touch Transportation, Inc.  
 04-507-5 Black Eagle Transfer Co., Inc. dba City Taxi Cab & Transfer  
 25-605-5 BTS Medical Transportation, LLP  
 76-515-5 Community Care on Wheels  
 31-513-5 CR Transportation LLC  
 25-527-5 Dublin Express Transport Solutions, Ltd dba Wheels To Go  
 18-727-5 Friendly Ride, Inc.  
 76-509-5 J&C Ambulance Service dba LifeCare Medical Services  
 18-681-5 K & R Transportation  
 73-501-5 Life Ambulance Service, Inc.  
 47-507-5 LifeCare Wheelchair Transportation, Inc.  
 18-581-5 Mobil Martin EMS, LLC  
 57-513-5 Nubta Trans  
 09-503-5 Nurses Care, Inc.  
 44-501-5 Patriot Emergency Medical Service, Inc.  
 65-501-5 Pickaway Plains Ambulance Service, Inc.  
 18-565-5 Reliable Transportation, Inc.  
 18-547-5 Ride Us Transportation, LLC  
 50-521-5 Rolling Wheels Transportation Services, Inc.  
 18-563-5 Rural/Metro of Northern Ohio, Inc.  
 18-567-5 Rybak and Associates, Inc.  
 18-733-5 Safeway Medical Transportation & Professional, Inc.  
 18-553-5 Safeway Transportation, Inc.  
 77-511-5 Samia Transportation, Inc.  
 18-561-5 Sunshine Medical Transportation, Inc.  
 18-577-5 Superior Great Lakes Transport Inc. dba Superior Great Lakes  
 52-505-5 SVFE Ambulance  
 30-501-5 United Ambulance Service of Cambridge, Inc.  
 18-555-5 W. Macmyles Transportation

Air Medical Applications received/waiting for completed inspection

73-401-3      HN4/MF7 (Healthnet 4/Medflight 7)

**RENEWAL APPLICATIONS WITH EXPIRATION DATE OF DECEMBER**

Ambulette applications received/waiting inspections

76-517-5      Smith Ambulance of Stark-Summit, Inc.

**RENEWAL APPLICATION TO BE RATIFIED FOR SEPTEMBER EXPIRATION**

Ambulance applications received/waiting inspections

01-004-2      Dayton Power & Light (J.M. Stuart)  
18-002-2      Donald Martens & Sons Ambulance Service  
15-004-7      Maple-Cotton Funeral Home & Ambulance Service, Inc.  
48-012-9      St. Vincent & Medical College Mobile Life  
70-010-2      We Care Ambulance Service, LLC dba Critical Life EMS

Ambulette applications received/waiting inspections

24-501-5      C.A.T.S. Coil Assisted Transportation, LLC  
18-543-5      Donald Martens & Sons Ambulance Service, Inc.  
04-503-5      Premier Transportation Service  
70-501-5      We Care Ambulance Service, LLC dba Critical Life EMS

**RENEWAL APPLICATION TO BE RATIFIED FOR OCTOBER EXPIRATION**

Ambulance

76-016-2      Smith Ambulance of Stark-Summit, Inc.

Ambulette

48-529-5      Diversified Transportation Services  
18-729-5      Karfaru Medical Transportation Team  
07-503-5      Neffs Volunteer Fire Department

**NEW SERVICES**

Ambulette

18-767-5      Heart & Soul Transportation – Richmond Hts., OH (11-15-2009)  
15-511-5      Tri-County Ambulance Inc. – East Liverpool, OH (11-15-2009)  
18-761-5      Profile Transportation – Cleveland, OH (08-28-2009)

25-643-5 Marimart Healthcare, LLC – Columbus, OH (08-28-2009)  
 18-769-5 Fast, Reliab, Efficient Elderly Transportation Ltd. – Euclid, OH (10-28-2009)  
 76-519-5 Scenic View Transportation, Inc. – Canton, OH (09-20-2009)  
 78-521-5 Nazik Medi Trans Inc. – Niles, OH (08-14-2009)  
 78-523-5 Sahara Express – Warren, OH (08-14-2009)  
 18-773-5 Eman Transportation Services, Inc. – Middleburg Hts., OH (11/15/2009)

Ambulance

18-054-2 Good Shepherd Ambulance – Cleveland, OH (11-16-2009)  
 15-016-2 Tri-County Ambulance Inc. – East Liverpool, OH (10-28-2009)

Air Medical

77-401-3 Med-Trans Corporations dba Air Bear – Akron, OH (10-28-2009)

**New Satellite Locations**

Ambulance

65-001-2	Pickaway Plains Ambulance Service, Inc. – Circleville	The Plains, Carbon Hill, Jackson, Marietta
48-014-2	MedCorp Inc. – Toledo	Springfield
48-038-2	MedCorp EMS South, LLC – Toledo	Springfield

Ambulette

65-501-5	Pickaway Plains Ambulance Service, Inc. – Circleville	The Plains, Carbon Hill, Jackson, Marietta
48-513-5	MedCorp, Inc. – Toledo	Springfield
48-519-5	MedCorp EMS South, LLC – Toledo	Springfield