

TCSG Paramedic Consortium Meeting

Date: 2 June 2017 10:45 a.m.

Location: Central Georgia Technical College, Macon, Georgia

Attendees:

| Name | Representing |
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| Helen Bulkhalter | Atlanta Technical College |
| Kimberly Coleman | Central Georgia Technical College |
| David Mixter | Central Georgia Technical College |
| Richard Ellis | Central Georgia Technical College |
| Sam Cooke | Georgia Piedmont Technical College |
| Charles Hill | North Georgia Technical College |
| James F. Jones | Southeastern Technical College |
| Michael Johnson | Gwinnett Technical College |
| Molly Edwards | Gwinnett Technical College |
| Mark Ponder | Wiregrass Technical College |
| Joey Thompson | Wiregrass Technical College |
| Richard Rhodes | Wiregrass Technical College |
| Amy Holloway (VPAA) | Central Georgia Technical College |
| Holly Free (Curriculum Specialist) | TCSG |

1. Old Business

- a. Meeting Minutes September 2015 – Meeting minutes reviewed. Motion to accept by Joey Thompson, seconded by Kimberly Coleman. Motion carried. (INFO)
- b. RN to Paramedic Bridge – Creighton University in Nebraska has a process in place for RN/MD to Paramedic. Discussion regarding the “watering down” of the Paramedic curriculum. There has not been a lot of interest by Nurses in becoming a Paramedic. Information will be gathered from Creighton and provided to the group. (OPEN - ELLIS)

2. New business

- a. TCSG Update – Ms. Free presented the following:
 - i. Dr. Holloway, VPAA, was introduced to the IFCC. (INFO)
 - ii. Healthcare Science (HS21) – Going away due to lack of gainful employment. Each college has a plan to transition students out of HS21. Healthcare Management and Interdisciplinary Studies can be used instead of HS21. (INFO)
 - iii. Presented the need for a VPAA at IFCC meetings. (INFO)
 - iv. Mobile Simulation lab –
 - v. Credit hours (Diploma to AAS) – Review the number of hours required to get an AAS. Discussion about going from the street to Associates Degree in Paramedicine requires about 94 credit hours. This includes a Diploma (EP12) and Paramedic (PT13). Discussion about creating a new pathway from EMT to Paramedic to shorten duration (boot camp style) Motion made to set up working group by Jim Jones, seconded by Sam Cooke. Working group will consist of Sam Cooke, James Jones and Joey Thompson.(OPEN)
 - vi. Elections – Cookie Burkhalter volunteered to serve as Co-Chair. Message to be sent out to solicit nominees for Chair. (INFO)
 - vii. New NREMT Scenario for Psychomotor Exam – Discussion about the new prehospital scenario exam including station setup, supplies. Equipment was not as intensive as originally thought. Requires manpower (Paramedic assistant and patient) that is knowledgeable. Discussion about setting up four spots across Georgia to host the NREMT exam regularly to have a

credible exam. Also discussed the need for more NREMT representatives. Tasker to contact State Office of EMS and Trauma about reviewing current list of NREMT representatives and getting a NREMT representative class. (OPEN-ELLIS)

- viii. EMT Boot Camp style – Discussion about setting up EMT Boot Camp style for agencies such as Fire Departments (5 days a week).
- ix. CoAEMSP Site Visitors – CoAEMSP is looking for site visitors. We have great Program chairs that would do well as a site visitor. This is a great opportunity as it allows you to see other sites, their methods and become more knowledgeable of CoAEMSP standards. Contact CoAEMSP for more information.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 PM

Respectfully submitted

Richard Ellis

RICHARD ELLIS, MSED, NRP
Chair, Paramedic Consortium

Attachment 1

Subgroup for Prior Learning Assessment

| Name |
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| Helen Burkhalter |
| Joey Thompson |
| Mark Ponder |
| Tracey Smith |
| David Mixter |
| Kimberly Coleman |
| Walter Webel |
| Sam Cooke |
| Crystal Shelnut |