

**REGION III EMS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**February 19, 2010
Email Question and Vote**

Deadline for voting February 19, 2010 at 1000 Hours

IN ATTENDANCE: Shelia Rup, Rusty Walter, Randy Easter, Frank Williams, Mark Willis, Dalene Deck, Chad Pore, Dan Jones, Chy Miller, Grant Helferich, Rita Gumm, Darrel Kohls, Jon Friesen, Ira Hart, JoAnn Knak, Mike Loreg

ABSENT: Kris Hill, Glenda Owens, Debbie Glenn,

UNEXCUSED:

GUEST(S):

ITEM 1: Call to Order

Jon Friesen posted two questions before the Board requesting a Yes or No vote on both questions. Majority rule determined the Region III EMS Council position on each question.

I spoke with Steve Sutton this afternoon. He is requesting to know if Region III EMS supports or does not support SB 262 (Scope of Practice) as written. I realize that the Board made no motion and therefore no vote on this issue when it was discussed in January. I also realize that the basis for this was that there were issues with the Executive Director of KS BEMS at play. That issue being, I assume, resolved, I am now asking the question. We either render an opinion based off of the majority of the Board of Region III or we forfeit any and all input into the issue at the State level.

Essentially, this means that we either support the Scope of Practice as presented or we do not.

Another piece of information that we want to give him is whether we believe that the transition needs to happen as proposed (by no later than 2013, Dec. 31) or that it be extended to allow for more time.

So, email back to the full group your vote of yes or no for questions 1 and 2.

- 1. Do you support SB 262 as it is currently written? You can find it online if you have not been tracking it.*
- 2. Do you believe that more time should be added to allow for the transition of existing technicians, specifically the AEMT?*

I will be replying back to Steve by tomorrow with our stand based on majority vote. I will accept input from the Board of Region III until 1000 hours on Friday, February 19, 2010.

Now you get my opinion. This bill is the product of a reasonably well run process that established the criteria for the differing levels. Everyone had a chance to have input. It was fought over, argued, discussed, explored, and digested. Hundreds of hours have gone into the development of our next steps as a profession and practice. We need to support this bill.

ITEM 2: Results of voting

Question 1:

Yes: 13 (Rupp, Walter, Easter, Williams, Willis, Deck, Pore, Jones, Miller, Helferich, Friesen, Kohls, Gumm)

No: 3 (Hart, Loreg, Knak)

Question 2:

Yes: 15 (Rupp, Walter, Easter, Williams, Willis, Deck, Pore, Jones, Miller, Helferich, Loreg, Knak, Friesen, Kohls, Gumm)

No: 1 (Hart)

Jon E. Friesen, Chairman

Terry David, Interim Executive Director

Shelia Rupp, Secretary