



NASEMSO AVL Committee

MEETING RECORD

September 19, 2016

8:30 am to 10:00am

Pavilion IV

Hyatt Regency, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Call to Order, Welcome, Introductions (8:36am)

Introductions

Review and Approve Meeting Record July 28 2016

Dia Gainor had submitted written notes from the July 28, 2016 call.

Old Business

Discussion Items

- Review AVL Committee Workplan

Agency & Vehicle Licensure Committee – 2015 Workplan

Task List

TASKS	RESPONSIBLE PARTY(IES)	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	BUDGET NEEDS
Task 1 – Continue to participate in Committees/Projects related to ambulance vehicle design, national organizations, and Federal Partners as requested & appropriate. (CAP 1, Task 1-B & 1-D)	Michael Berg, Jay Bradshaw, Sue Prentiss, Dia Gainor	Ongoing	Travel to standards development organizations meetings x6 person trips per year
Task 2 – Develop Model Rules for Ambulance Vehicle Design (CAP 1, Task 1-B)	Full Committee	9/15	Yes, funds remaining in MRAVD
Task 3 – Identification of existing and development of model laws and rules addressing legal recognition of agencies licensed in adjacent states when operating in another state in day-to-day and non-disaster situations. (CAP 1, Task 1-D, 3-E, and possibly Task 1-C)	Committee members will contribute their own and two neighboring states' rules to start.	9/15	Staff support
Task 4 – In conjunction with the PEC Council, correspond with NHTSA about follow up on the resolution related to "Safe Transport of Children in Emergency Ground Ambulances" CAP 1, Task 1-F	Committee communication	3/15	Staff support

Chairman Berg asked all members of the AVL Committee to review the 2015 Workplan and prepare for a discussion on October 27, 2016 at our monthly call regarding items for the 2016-2017 plan.

Group reviewed 2015 Workplan. Dia Gainor reminded group that the items in the Workplan have a tie to NHTSA funding/contracts. One specific item would be developing materials that could be available on a learning platform for widespread availability and EMS organization/agency adoption. The developing of a model rules and process for ambulance inspections was discussed at the July phone meeting.

- **Partners Update**

Federal:

- **GSA:** John McDonald reported on Change Notice #9 and upcoming Change Notice #10, which will be published at the same time as SAE standards. Triple K standards will remain open until the language/reference remains in any states rules/administrative code.
- **NIOSH:** Jim Greene discussed testing upcoming and revisions, including cot/cot mounts and seating areas. More areas are up for testing, including keeping contents in the cabinets, and the subfloor. These are to be published by the end of this year. Jim talked about a video series being produced that focuses on what crash testing is and how it is done, overall seven modules. Jim stated that they had initially hoped to publish this on DVD's, however within this agency there is pushback on this plan, as many computers no longer have DVD drives. They are still planning on how to release this series.

Associations:

- **NFPA:** Ken Holland reported that Version 3 of 1919 is underway, first meeting in Kansas City in October. To date 110 public comments have been received. Chairman Mike Berg is sitting on the Technical Committee and will Chair Chapter 6 on the Patient Compartment.
- **GVS 1.0:** Mark Van Arnam recapped the history of this standard and its current endorsements (five national groups). Mark stated that the organizations in the fire service have challenged ANSI about the ability for CAAS to write and publish automotive ambulance standards, stating that ANSI only allows for one standard can exist. Ken Holland did state the standards could co-exist.

A brief discussion followed and a copy of a letter from CAAS had been distributed to members of the committee asking for an endorsement from NASEMSO. Chairman Berg asked the committee for feedback on the letter to provide to the NASEMSO Board. Discussion followed. Some had concerns about endorsing one over the other, many felt that supporting both was important based on the broad content of both. Some states are still holding on to the GSA KKK. Concerns were raised that supporting more than one could be confusing for ambulance manufacturers.

Discussion of CAAS Ground Vehicle Standards for Ambulances (GVS) v. 1.0 see partners update under “associations”

Development of Model Rules Draft Discussion & Vehicle Inspection (follow up to July 28, 2016 discussion): the primary discussion is around focusing on building a model inspection process and rules for states to adopt in part or whole. The group discussed that there are some states and agencies that do not have formal inspection standards. A small committee was established to work on this including Keith Buhs from IL, Lisa Chervon from MD and Dale Adkerson from OK. This group will meet by phone prior to the next AVL meeting.

Sticker Location – AMD: Chairman Berg discussed with the committee the need to standardize where the manufacturer certification sticker is located.

2016 AVL Survey Update: staff stated that 38 responses to the survey have been received, we need 40. Chairman Berg had assigned NASEMSO staff and committee members to follow up with states that responses are needed from.

Safe Ambulance.org Update: Jay Bradshaw reviewed the current state of the Safe Ambulance website. A handout was provided as a resource on this website. Jay stated the interactive map was most popular. The group discussed with Jay adding resources on driver fatigue, and how the website works and focuses on a culture of safety.

New Business

NFPA Representation Discussion: with Jay Bradshaw’s and Sue Prentiss’s new roles with NASEMSO and REPLICA, they may not be the right fit for the make up on the 1917 committee. President Elect Keith Wages has a possible principle member in mind and asked the group if there was any one with interest in serving as the alternate. Please see Chairman Berg if you are interested.

Ambulance Remount Discussion: Chairman Berg discussed with the committee having ambulance automotive standards apply to remounts and concerns that have been raised in his state. This has to be further discussed and clarified for manufacturers and the consumers.

General: President Elect Keith Wages thanked both CAAS and the NFPA for their sponsorships as well as Frazer Ltd.

Adam Fischer from Frazer addressed the group and discussed some of the history of Frazer and their support of NASEMSO.

Steve McCoy Chairman of the HITS Committee discussed the data collection and standardizing the reports to include ambulance accidents elements.

Next Meeting

Thursday, October 27, 2016, noon. A go-to-meeting invitation will be sent to committee members;