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Executive Committee: September 2024 Meeting Summary

Meeting Details:

- **Chairperson:** Commissioner Kraig Kinney
- **Date & Time:** September 4, 2024, 3:00 PM ET
- **Location:** Virtual Meeting via Zoom Conference

Attendees:

- Commissioner Kraig Kinney [IN] Chair
- Commissioner Aaron Koehler [WY] Member-at-Large
- Commissioner Joe House [KS] Secretary
- Commissioner Brad Vande Lune [IA] Treasurer
- Commissioner Joe Schmider [TX] Immediate Past Chair
- Donnie Woodyard, Executive Director
- Doug Wolfberg JD PWW / Counsel
- Christie Mellott JD PWW / Counsel

Absent, Excused

- Commissioner Wayne Denny [ID] Vice Chair

Agenda & Discussions:

I. Call to Order & Welcome

- Commissioner Kinney declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order.
- Roll Call conducted by Commissioner House.

II. Public Comment

- No public comments were made.

III. Old Business

- **Public Comment Letter, Department of Education**
 - Executive Director Woodyard noted the letter was submitted to the Department of Education per the Executive Committee's directive.

IV. Reports

- **Treasurer’s Report**
 - Commissioner Vande Lune presented the Treasurer’s Report. The report was accepted as presented.
- **Review of August 2024 Executive Committee Meeting Summary**
 - Motion to approve by Commissioner Koehler (WY), seconded by Commissioner House (KS). The motion passed, and the summary was accepted as presented.
- **Chair’s Report - Kinney**
 - Commissioner Kinney provided an update on the next steps related to the Code of Conduct Privilege to Practice Position Paper. The intent and future direction were clarified. Commissioner House made a motion to move the position paper to the full commission for consideration at the October 2024 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Koehler (WY). The motion passed.
- **Executive Director’s Report - Woodyard**
 - The Executive Director highlighted the increasing use of the EMS Compact, ongoing relationships with federal partners, and the growing awareness of the compact. He raised awareness of a residency requirement issue brought up by a stakeholder and provided updates on varying levels of state compliance with Compact statute, particularly related to the National EMS Coordinated Database and FBI-compliant criminal background checks.
- **National EMS Coordinated Database Report**
 - Ray Mollers from the National Registry of EMTs provided an update on the status of the National EMS Coordinated Database, noting that starting next month, the National Registry will begin software upgrades expected to continue through 2025.

V. New Business

- **2025 Meeting Dates**
 - The committee reviewed the proposed meeting dates for 2025. Commissioner Koehler (WY) made a motion to approve the proposed dates, with an amendment to change the May 21 Executive Committee meeting to May 7. The motion was seconded by Commissioner House (KS) and passed. The Executive Director was directed to post and announce the 2025 meeting dates.
- **Upcoming Elections**
 - Commissioner Kinney reminded the committee that the October 2024 full Commission meeting will include elections for the positions of Chair, Treasurer, and Member-at-Large. Commissioner Joe House (KS) is leading the Nominating Committee, and those interested should contact him.
- **Awareness and Education Initiative**
 - Commissioner Schmider raised the suggestion of creating a "Compact 101" video for both state EMS officials and practitioners. The Executive Director will explore the idea, including the possibility of offering continuing education credits.
- **Privilege to Practice Complaints**
 - A discussion was held regarding EMS practitioners receiving conflicting information from states when seeking to use their privilege to practice. Chair Kinney directed the Executive Director to implement a complaint tracking process to monitor and address such grievances. A survey will be conducted to assess each member state’s compliance, with results presented at the October 2024 meeting.

VI. Adjourn Meeting

- The meeting was adjourned following the completion of the agenda.

Summary of Motions:

Motion #	Motion Summary	1 st	2 nd	Vote
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1	Approve August 2024 Executive Committee Meeting Summary	Koehler	House	Pass
2	Move the Privilege to Practice Position Paper for full commission	House	Koehler	Pass
2	Approve 2025 meeting dates with amendment to change May 21 EC meeting to May 7.	House	Koehler	Pass

The official record of this meeting is an audio recording available on www.EMSCompact.gov