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Idaho TSE Council Minutes

Idaho Bureau of EMS – Idaho Military Division
4732 S. Ingalls St., Bldg. 668, Boise, ID 83705

July 14, 2026 9am – 10am MST

PARTICIPANTS

*Attended via phone

Amanda Pringle*	Bill Spencer*	Brad Huerta*	Eric Day*	Fran Jamison*	Greg Vickers*
Jeremy Schabot*	John Sieckowski*	Joseph Higgins*	Dr. Joseph Walsh*	Dr. Kelly McGrath*	Kirstin Haley*
Dr. Ondrej Choutka*	Dr. Parker Fillmore*	Dr. Rashna Ginwalla*	Veronica Mitchell-Jones*	Melissa Ball*	Maegan Kautz*
Andi Esslinger*	Bozena Morawski*	Chris Shirazi*	Ethan Taub*	Jim Jarvie*	Nicole Vorzimer*
Randi Rycroft*	Theresa Heaton*				

AGENDA

DISCUSSION

Open Meeting	Quorum established. (16 of 17 members present).
Motion	Eric Day made a motion to approve the minutes for June 9, 2026. Brad Huerta spoke in support of the motion. Motion passed.
Motion	Eric Day made a motion to approve the July 14, 2026 agenda. Jeremy Schabot spoke in support of the motion. Motion passed.
Closed Meeting	Dr. Parker Fillmore made a motion to go into the Executive Session. Dr. Kelly McGrath spoke in support of the motion. Motion passed. Idaho Statute Title 74 Chapter “(d) To consider records that are exempt from disclosure as provided in Chapter 1, Title 74, Idaho Code;”. During the Executive Session, the Idaho TSE Council discussed a pending TSE EMS application that was reviewed and two TSE applications that were surveyed. Dr. Kelly McGrath made a motion to exit the Executive Session. Dr. Rashna Ginwalla spoke in support of the motion. Motion passed.

Vote	The Idaho TSE Council unanimously approved the following during Executive Session: • Lost Rivers Medical Center – Trauma Level IV (renewal) ○ Brad Huerta abstains his vote • Teton Valley Healthcare – Trauma Level IV (renewal) • Bonner County EMS – TSE EMS Designation, ALS Level agency (renewal)
TSE Regional Reports	North Region – Kirstin Haley Kirstin Haley shared the next regional meeting will be Thursday, July 23rd. North-Central Region – John Sieckowski John Sieckowski shared the next regional meeting will be Thursday, July 21st. The committee's new officer is Sharon Barcus as secretary. Southwest Region – Dr. Parker Fillmore Dr. Parker Fillmore shared the committee receives regular reports from Canyon County Paramedics pertaining to the prehospital blood program and Ada County Paramedics will be implementing this program soon. The Trauma Subcommittee is tracking traumatic brain injury (TBI) data metrics. The next regional meeting will be Thursday, August 20th. South-Central Region – Fran Jamison Fran Jamison shared regional stroke data is being compiled on 911 response versus private vehicle arrival and how it affects stroke patients delay in care. The region's trauma and stroke volumes are increasing, and facilities are determining how to stretch their resources to meet the growing needs. Southeast Region – Joseph Higgins Joseph Higgins shared the committee discussed the Idaho TSE TBI Guidelines and the effects of insurance has on the emergency medical services. The next regional meeting will be Tuesday, August 18th. East Region – Eric Day Eric Day shared the next regional meeting will be Thursday, July 16th.
TSE Branch Update	Melissa Ball shared 72 designations from 35 out of 45 facilities have been approved which makes up 78 percent of Idaho facilities who hold one or more TSE designation. The Governor officially declared Idaho as a Stroke Smart state and the month of July as Stroke Awareness Month. The TSE Branch order 7,000 BEFAST magnets and will distribute them to facilities for their community education and outreach. Lastly, the TSE Branch's and EMS for Children (EMSC) Program's newly designed webpages will go "LIVE" on the IMD's website platform in early August.

EMSC Program Update	Melissa Ball shared the EMSC Advisory Committee will meet virtually on Monday, July 27 th and will review two pending applications for recognition approval for the Hospital Readiness Recognition Program. EMSC has distributed the July Newsletter that features an article on pediatric falls and concussion. Lastly, the program will receive 500 new, updated Broselow Tapes and will distribute these to EMS agencies and hospitals statewide.
TSE Data Dashboard	IHA epidemiologist Dr. Bozena Morawski presented the new TSE Data Dashboard that is interactive to explore data on traumatic injuries, strokes, and STEMI filtered by geography, sex, and age group.
New Stroke Guidelines	The Council discussed the new wake-up stroke recommendations from the 2026 ASA/AHA Guidelines. Facilities will need to update their internal policies accordingly, but no changes are needed to the stroke criteria in the TSE Standards Manual.
Next Meeting Agenda	Next meeting will be a virtual meeting on August 11, 2026, beginning at 9am. Information on how to join the TEAMS meeting is available on the TSE website tse.idaho.org .