NASEMSO Board of Directors April 14, 2022, 2:00 PM EDT via teleconference

Meeting Record



Present

Officers

President-Elect: Joe House (KS) Treasurer: Gary Brown (VA) Immediate Past President: Kyle

Thornton (NM)

Regions

East: Raffaella Coler (CT)
Great Lakes: Kraig Kinney (IN)
South: Jamie Gray (AL)
West: Wayne Denny (ID)

Western Plains: Marty Link (SD)

Councils

Data Managers: Tom McGinnis (CA) Health and Medical Preparedness:

Karen Owens (VA)

Medical Directors: Matthew Sholl (MA) Pediatric Emergency Care: Amanda

Perry (LA)

Personnel Licensure: Curt Shreckengaust (KS)

Trauma Managers: Eileen Worden

(MI)

Members

Data Managers Alt: Jay Ostby (WY)
Western Plains Alt: Tim Wilson (NE)
Pediatric Emergency Care Alt: Marc
Minkler (ME)
Aaron Koehler (WY)
Sam Hurley (ME)

Federal Partners

Gamunu Wijetunge (NHTSA/OEMS)

NASEMSO Staff

Rachael Alter
Beth Armstrong
Hannah Degn
Dia Gainor
Andy Gienapp
Mary Hedges
Jennifer Robinson
Kathy Robinson
Leslee Stein-Spencer

Absent

President: Alisa Williams (MS) Secretary: Jason Rhodes (RI)

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM EDT.

Call to Order / Roll Call

President Elect Joe House (KS) called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Eastern time and Hannah Degn called roll. A quorum was present.

ACTION: Gary Brown (VA) motioned, and Kraig Kinney (IN) seconded to

approve the agenda as distributed. The motion passed unanimously.

Secretary's Report

President-Elect Joe House (KS) presented the March Board meeting minutes.

ACTION: Jamie Gray (AL) moved, and Amanda Perry (LA) seconded, that the

minutes should be approved as distributed. The motion passed

unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Financial Performance

Treasurer Gary Brown (VA) reported that as of April 13, 2022, NASEMSO had an operational income of \$970,287 versus a 12-month budget of \$1,340,967. Operational expenses were \$984,274 versus a twelve-month budget of \$1,337,939.

Program Committee

Gary Brown (VA) reported on behalf of the Program Committee that they met earlier this week and are in the final stages of confirming speakers in addition to adding a session on Thursday that NHTSA will present at. Arnold Alier will be providing COVID-19 tests for attendees. The committee is currently working to have some food trucks come close by on the days that lunches aren't provided. The committee is continuing to work on the $40^{\rm th}$ commemorative book.

Federal Partner Updates

HRSA/EMSC

Jocelyn Hulbert was not present on the call.

NHTSA OEMS

Gam Wijetunge had no current updates, is looking forward to celebrating the $40^{\rm th}$ anniversary of NASEMSO in Charleston. The NHTSA OEMS office will have several staff members attending in person. He offered his congratulations on the Airway EBG award.

Executive Director's Report

Current Projects

EMS for Children Innovation & Improvement Center (HRSA/Yale)

Rachael Alter had no major changes or updates to report to the board.

Community Opioids (TASC)

Mary Hedges reported on the ongoing ad-hoc monthly committee meetings. They are planning for a special workshop to be held at the annual meeting on Wednesday morning.

Workforce CAP 1 (NHTSA/OEMS)

Andy Gienapp reported that NASEMSO staff met with Max Severaid from the Office of EMS earlier this week for a status report on the no cost extension. Conversations have been dialing back up to go over workforce issues and how to align information to address the issues. The no-cost extension is still pending.

Strategic Planning CAP 3 (NHTSA/OEMS)

Andy Gienapp reported that NASEMSO has identified the three states that will be able to take part in the state strategic planning. Staff will begin working with them in the upcoming months.

Model Public Health Emergency Guidelines CAP 4 (NHTSA/OEMS)

Andy Gienapp reported that they are working with a smaller ad-hoc group to revise the title for the project moving forward. A scan will also be forthcoming which will look at state level information.

Airway EBG (NHTSA/OEMS)

Andy Gienapp executed the contract and has scheduled the kick-off call with NHTSA for later this month.

Pending Projects

Safe Transport of Children Crash Test Project

Dia Gainor reported that a project proposal has been submitted twice. Staff is currently waiting for acknowledgement of receipt but remains hopeful on hearing back and potential outcomes moving forward.

Action Items

2022 NASEMSO Council Workplan Review

Karen Owens (VA) reported on the Health and Medical Preparedness workplan. Given the way the last years have gone, they've included anything that can impact public health that EMS can use their paths and partners to provide guidance and assistance. Karen reviewed the six tasks listed for the board members. There were no questions following her report.

Matt Sholl (MA) reported on the workplan for the Medical Directors Council. They met as a steering committee and with their leading physicians and didn't change the mission, vision and scope as listed in prior workplans. Matt reviewed the tasks and highlighted the MDC's participation in past projects. Since it has been a few years

since sending a workforce survey, the council is planning to conduct one during the next two years.

Eileen Worden (MI) presented on the Trauma Managers workplan. The vision and scope haven't changed. The highlights of the workplan are joint resolution of obstacles and promotion of evidence based decision making. The workplan was developed with input from their steering committee and then it went out to the larger committee for further refining. The council tried to focus on mentorship as a part of the workplan. The goals and tasks section sets up the marching orders for the council for the next few years. Brief discussion took place following Eileen's presentation. Marty Link (SD) commended the group for recognizing that mentorship is key for a lot of these state positions and incorporating that into their workplan. Joe House (KS) recognized that Trauma Managers is the only council who indicated they would need financial support for the environmental scan and asked if there was a proposed estimate. Eileen responded that there is no current estimate but anticipates that it will only require additional staff time to accomplish.

ACTION: There being no further discussion or questions the workplans were approved unanimously.

ARHQ Comments

Karen Owens reviewed and presented comments prepared by the HMPC on using 911 outside of standard practice. The comments go page by page addressing overreach and clarifying what actions people should take. There were no questions on the comments.

ACTION: Kraig Kinney (IN) motioned, and Marty Link (SD) seconded to approve the HMPC submitting the comments on NASEMSO's behalf.

Sign on Letter on Gun Violence Prevention Research

Dia Gainor reviewed a request from the American Academy of Pediatrics to sign on to support a letter regarding Federal Gun Violence Research. It asks for \$60million as a split to the CDC and NIH, a recommendation that appropriators look at for additional opportunities to expand research. The sign-on deadline is next Tuesday. Brief discussion took place about initial concerns that were resolved upon reading the letter and support was voiced for NASEMSO to sign-on.

ACTION: Kraig Kinney (IN) motioned, and Eileen Worden (MI) seconded to sign on the letter of support. Wayne Denney (ID) abstained from the vote. The motion passed.

Letter of Support Request from IAFF for Fire and EMS Apprenticeship Grant Application

IAFF Staff met with Dia Gainor and Andy Gienapp regarding the document leading up to sharing their request for a letter of support with the board. They are committed to working with EMS state offices if they are awarded the grant Kraig Kinney (IN) voiced concern on the motion since it does address workforce issues and they do have pathways currently in place in high schools. The incentive does seem helpful since their costs would be covered. Joe House commented that one of the concerns is the statement of 168 years per year of classroom study but that amount of time isn't enough for an accredited program. Marc Minkler asked if we know the suggested 168 hours is specifically earmarked for EMS or if it would be split among programs. Dia Gainor clarified that while the hours statement was worded poorly it does not indicate a total number of hours required to qualify for the funding but is a minimum. Joe House suggested returning comments to IAFF and advise them that the EC can approve writing a letter of support.

Action: Kraig Kinney (IN) motioned, and Curt Shreckengaust (KS) seconded to

respond with comments via NASEMSO staff and delegate to the EC to

sign-on at their digression.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM EDT.

Meeting record respectfully submitted by Project Coordinator Hannah Degn.