# NASEMSO Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, June 13, 2013

# **Meeting Record**

#### PRESENT

Dennis Blair (AL), Secretary Gary Brown (VA), Treasurer Dean Cole (NE), North Central Region Jim DeTienne (MT), President Dave Edwards (VA), Ped Emerg Care Brett Hart (TX), Educ & Prof'l Stds Joe Nelson MD (FL), Medical Directors Paul Patrick (UT), President-elect Joe Schmider (PA-TX), East Region/Domestic Prep Rob SeeSholtz (TN), Trauma Managers Paul Sharpe (VA) for Joe Moreland (KS), Data Kyle Thornton (NM), West Region Keith Wages (GA), South Central

## ABSENT

Randy Kuykendall (CO), Past President (excused)

# **ALSO PRESENT**

Rachael Alter, Program Manager Beth Armstrong, Executive Vice Pres Jay Bradshaw (ME), AVL Committee Beth Edgerton MD, EMSC Dia Gainor, Executive Director Mary Hedges, Program Manager Pat Irwin (NV), West Region Alt Susan McHenry, NHTSA (partial) Tom Nehring (ND), Rural EMS Kathy Robinson, Program Manager

## SECRETARY'S REPORT

Dennis Blair presented the May 9, 2013 Board Minutes.

ACTION: The vote was unanimous and the minutes were approved.

# **TREASURER'S REPORT**

- **Finance Report** Gary Brown reported that year-to-date receipts as of May 31 are \$1,270,670 including receipts that have exceeded expectations in all categories of membership dues. YTD expenses are \$1,122,531 yielding a current excess of \$148,140 and a fund balance of \$685,118. He noted that the 2012-13 projected 12-months performance is a deficit \$50,000 NASEMSO is doing very well.
- **Program Committee** Gary reported that the Committee met earlier this week, noting that already four out of five spaces for vehicles in the exhibit area have already been sold. He shared an update on the Annual Meeting program. The Committee discussed 2014 Mid-Year Meeting plans. Potential sites for a March 2014 event are Baltimore, Charlotte, Arlington or Dulles Airport-area of Virginia.
- Articles of Incorporation Beth Armstrong explained that NASEMSO headquarters moved from California to Virginia almost 17 years ago, but had

continued to file its state report as a foreign entity in California until recently. She indicated that the organization must reincorporate in Virginia.

ACTION: Dave Edwards moved, seconded by Dennis Blair to adopt the Articles of Incorporation (attached) adding the executive vice president as a non-voting director so that the registered address of the organization can be the headquarters address. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

## PRESIDENTIAL PONDERINGS

- Advocates for EMS Jim DeTienne shared that Paul Patrick will represent NASEMSO on the AEMS Board in place of Randy Kuykendall. This month, he facilitated AEMS establishment of a planning document to help understand AEMS strategies and activity.
- IAFC Requests for Letter of Support Jim noted we recently exercised presidential prerogative to act on a short-notice request from IAFC to partner along with IACP to address vicarious trauma issues for EMS providers. If funded, a NASEMSO rep will need to be appointed.
- **Presidential Acknowledgement** Jim thanked those working behind-the-scenes to keep NASEMSO business moving, including Bob Bass at a White House Forum on Childhood Trauma and staff with CAP-001 and CAP-005 effort.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

- National Pre-hospital Evidence-Based Guidelines Strategy Grant Mary Hedges presented the opportunity to apply for a \$75,000 grant to develop a strategy to produce guidelines.
- ACTION: Joe Nelson, MD moved to apply for the grant. Dennis Blair seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.
  - **NAEMSP Letter of Support Request** NAEMSP requested that NASEMSO support their EBG grant application.
- ACTION: Joe Nelson, MD moved to provide a letter of support to NAEMSP and request that they reciprocate. Brett Hart seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.
  - NASEMSO Policy on Requests for Letters of Support Jim drew the groups' attention to the draft policy which makes clear how the association handles such requests.
- ACTION: Gary Brown moved, seconded by Joe Nelson, MD to adopt the policy (attached). The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

- **Travel Support Policy** Gary Brown referred the Board to an application form that reflects Program Committee changes to limit the maximum award amount and prioritize awards by role within NASEMSO membership. The application deadline will be July 22; the Program Committee will meet July 29 to formulate recommendations for Board action August 8.
- ACTION: Brett Hart moved, seconded by Kyle Thornton to adopt the policy (attached). The motion carried with one opposed (Cole). It was noted that the form will include a statement noting NASEMSO expects financial aid recipients to participate actively in the organization.
  - NASEMSO Letter to NFPA re 1917 Changes Dennis Blair explained that the changes that were proposed would make the vehicle construction less costly and are consistent with previous NASEMSO input on the technical standards.
- ACTION: Dennis Blair moved, seconded by Dean Cole to submit the letter. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

Dia Gainor shared that in two weeks there will be a technology demonstration specific for public safety/emergency response stakeholders. She will attend to ensure EMS interests are represented; Dean Cole also expressed willingness to attend. There will be \$500 million in funding for technology development through CDC.

## NASEMSO REGIONAL REPORTS

- **East** (no report)
- West Kyle Thornton indicated that NM has endured large wildfires recently, along with CO, CA and others. Gene Madden with US Forest National Fire Management Group invited Kyle to ride along with him tomorrow to the fire line to see the federal-side of the response.
- North Central Dean Cole noted that they did not meet this month. He asked whether there has been more activity in the area of veterans transition to civilian practice. Senators in NE are asking for a study on this; Kathy Robinson will share findings of a recent mini-survey on this topic. It was noted that NASEMSO will produce additional tools for state EMS offices as part of CAP-005's Year 2 award to begin in September.
- **South Central** Keith Wages reported that their regular meeting occurred last month, and an impromptu meeting also occurred to address NFPA1917.

## NASEMSO COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

- **Data Managers** Paul Sharpe shared that in April they completed review of the NEMSIS 3.0 list that is now posted on the NEMSIS web site. They will meet again next month. Their Council work plan is currently being refined and they are conducting an environmental scan to examine data manager staffing, mentor volunteers, funding and linkages at each state. The group noted that they are keeping Joe Moreland in their thoughts as he struggles with health issues.
- Education & Professional Standards Brett Hart shared that their next call is tomorrow. Kathy Robinson noted that states have encountered problems by not having any authority to recognize transition training course providers.
- **Medical Directors** Joe Nelson MD reported that the Council met, continue to work on model guidelines with actual division of the team into work teams, each working on individual guidelines. There is a huge base of potential guidelines to be addressed.
- **Pediatric Emergency Care** the steering committee met on June 5; Dave Edwards noted that they will elect a new secretary. They expressed thanks for NASEMSO helping them find a better way to schedule the EMSC Grantee Meeting. They are working on a variety of projects.
- **Trauma Managers** Rob Seesholtz indicated that the steering committee met May 7 to talk about how best to present the large volume of resources compiled for web posting. There are no reports about the trauma center inventory project or JOC activity.

## NASEMSO STANDING COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHTS

- **Communications & Technology** Paul Patrick reported that he and Kevin McGinnis were at a recent meeting in CO vis-a-vis their respective roles with the Public Safety Advisory Board and FirstNet. Kevin will make a report to the general membership in Nashville this September.
- **Domestic Preparedness Committee** Joe Schmider reported that he and Leslee Stein-Spencer attended at White House gathering on active shooter response. They also met with the new FEMA staffer on the national ambulance contract, and they submitted a written report on the White House meeting on IEDs, PPE and Medical Response. The group extended congratulations to Joe Schmider for his new position as director of EMS for Texas.
- Government Information (no report)
- Highway Incident & Transportation Systems Mary Hedges noted that the Committee met yesterday and received a presentation from FHA on motor coach crash research.
- **Rural EMS** Tom Nehring shared that there was a JCREC meeting June 6. He shared that JCREC is comprised of four organizations including NASEMSO, National

Organization of State Offices of Rural Health, the National Rural Health Resource Center and National Rural Health Association.

## NASEMSO AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Air Medical Kathy Robinson noted that several states are currently involved in lawsuits involving air medical and CAMTS accreditation. CAMTS will provide on the Sunday prior to the NAEMSO Annual Meeting an overview of the site survey process and important things for state directors to be aware of regarding air medical programs.
- Agency & Vehicle License the Committee must begin work on the model rule.
- Education Agenda I-Team Kathy Robinson noted that a conference call will occur with NHTSA and HRSA colleagues next week to advance CAP-005 plans.
- **Mobile Integrated Health/Community Paramedicine** Jim DeTienne reported that the first meeting of this group occurred last month. Monthly meetings will alternate between the Community Insight Forum and the MIH/CP Committee. Kevin McGinnis is staffing this committee.
- **Specialty Certification** Kathy Robinson shared that now that Mr. Schmider has settled, they will begin work again on a draft document.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the call concluded at 3:37 pm Eastern time.

Meeting Record respectfully submitted by Executive Vice President Beth Armstrong

Attachments: NASEMSO Articles of Incorporation NASEMSO Policy on Requests for Letters of Support

#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES OFFICIALS

#### a Virginia Non-Stock, Not-For-Profit Corporation

The undersigned, pursuant to Chapter 10 of Title 13.1 of the Code of Virginia, states as follows:

1) The name of the corporation is the National Association of State Emergency

Medical Services Officials (hereinafter "corporation"). The corporation is a non-stock,

non-profit corporation.

2) The corporation shall have one or more classes of members with such

designations, qualifications and rights as set forth in the bylaws.

3) The directors shall be elected by the members as set forth in the bylaws.

4) The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors is (23). The

names, addresses, including street, number or post office box and zip codes of the persons

who will serve as initial directors until their successors are appointed and qualified are:

Jim DeTienne P.O. Box 202951 Helena, MT 59620	Paul Patrick Box 142004 288 N. 1460 West Salt Lake City, UT 84114
Dennis Blair P.O. Box 303017 Montgomery, AL 36130	Gary Brown 1041 Technology Drive Glen Allen, VA 23059
Dean Cole P.O. Box 95026 Lincoln, NE 68509	Steve Sutton 900 SW Jackson Landon State Office Building, Room 1031 Topeka, KS 66612

R. Keith Wages	Alisa Williams
2600 Skyland Drive, Lower Level	P.O. Box 1700
Atlanta, GA 30319	Jackson, MS 39215

Joe Schmider

Karen Halupke, RN

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Kyle Thornton	Patrick S. Irwin
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Elizabeth B. Armstrong 201 Park Washington Court Falls Church, VA 22046	Randy Kuykendall 4300 Cherry Creek Drive, South CDPHE, A2 Denver, CO 80246

5) There shall be a Board of Directors composed of not less than three (3) and not

more than twenty-seven (27) directors. The manner of election of directors and their terms

of office are set forth in the bylaws of the corporation.

6) A. The name of the corporation's initial registered agent is **Elizabeth B.** 

## Armstrong.

B. The initial registered agent is an individual who is a resident of Fairfax County,

Virginia.

7) A. The corporation's initial registered office address which is the business address of the initial registered agent is: 201 Park Washington Court, Falls Church, VA 22046.

B. The registered office is physically located in the City of Falls Church.

8) The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and /or for scientific purposes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended. The charitable, educational and research purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

a) to plan for and to promote the orderly development of EMS systems across the nation;

b) to develop broad policies in order to ease interstate cooperation in the areas of patient transfer, communication and reciprocity of personnel;

c) to promote uniform quality of care for critically ill and injured patients by developing and maintaining national standards and criteria;

d) to provide a forum for the purpose of exchanging information and discussing problems.

e) to provide continuing educational opportunities for the membership, as well as for other interested parties;

f) to insurance continued support for the ongoing development of emergency medical services systems, by working with state and national government agencies, professional organizations and other interested parties;

g) to encourage appropriate research and evaluation of EMS systems;

h) to disseminate pertinent information to membership and to the public;

i) to promote the development of a permanent constituency for EMS;

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j) to provide a liaison with appropriate organizations;

k) to carry on such other activities as shall be consistent with the corporation's 501(c)(3) non-profit purposes and as conferred upon non-profit corporations by the Commonwealth of Virginia;

In furtherance of the charitable purposes of the corporation, it is authorized to receive and maintain a fund or funds, to invest and reinvest such fund or funds and to apply the income and principal of any funds received by it to the advancement of the non-profit goals of the organization set forth herein.

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its directors, officers or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be

authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof.

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any prior or future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any prior or future federal tax code.

9) The Board of Directors shall have supervision, control and direction of the affairs of the corporation, shall determine its policies within the limit of these articles and the bylaws of the corporation, shall actively pursue its objectives, and shall have discretion in the solicitation and distribution of its funds. It may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of its business as shall be deemed advisable and may, in the executive of its powers, appoint such agents as it may consider necessary.

All property of this corporation, and accumulations thereof, shall be held and administered to effectuate its charitable non-profit purposes.

In the event of dissolution of the corporation, the assets of the corporation shall be distributed to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in Sections 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, or the corresponding sections of any prior or future federal tax code, or to the federal government, or to a state or local government, exclusively for public purpose.

10) The names and addresses, including street, number and zip code, of the incorporators are:

Elizabeth B. Armstrong 201 Park Washington Court Falls Church, VA 22046

June \_\_\_\_, 2013

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