# PRESENT

**Officers:**

President: Keith Wages (GA)

President-elect: Kyle Thornton (NM)

Treasurer: Gary Brown (VA)

Secretary: Alisa Williams (MS)

At-large and South: Donna Tidwell (TN)

# Regions:

West: Wayne Denny (ID)

East: Jason Rhodes (RI)

Western Plains: Andy Gienapp (WY)

# Great Lakes: Kathy Wahl (MI)

# Staff:

Elizabeth Armstrong, Executive VP

Dia Gainor, Executive Director

Joe Ferrell, Program Manager

Mary Hedges, Program Manager

Kevin McGinnis

Sue Prentiss, Advocate

Kathy Robinson, Program Manager

**Partners**:

Dave Bryson, NHTSA

Jon Krohmer M.D., NHTSA

Norris Croom, IAFC

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# Councils:

Trauma Managers: Carole Mays (MD)

Data: Kevin Putman (MI)

Medical Directors: Ken Williams MD (RI)

Personnel Licensure: Helen Pullen (WI)

Pediatric: Carolina Roberts-Santana M.D. (RI) and Morgan Scaggs (KY)

Health and Medical Prep: Joe Schmider (TX)

**Other Members:**

Arnold Alier (SC)

Terrie Godde (MI), Educ Committee Chair

Mike Poynter (KY)

Jeanne-Marie Bakehouse (CO)

Jim DeTienne (MT), Past President

Ernie Doss (GA), Deputy Director

Jamie Gray (\_\_)

Todd \_\_\_ (RI), Deputy Director

Sam Hurley (DC)

Steve McCoy (FL), HITS

Steven Wilson (AL)

Scott Winston (VA) Deputy Director

# ABSENT

(none)

# CALL TO ORDER / SELF-INTRODUCTIONS

President Keith Wages called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m. Eastern time. A quorum was present.

# SECRETARY’S REPORT

Alisa Williams presented the April 12, 2018 Minutes.

ACTION: Kathy Wahl moved, seconded by Paul Patrick to approve the minutes as distributed. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

Gary Brown reported that as of April 30, NASEMSO has $1,449,370 of year-to-date operating income and $1,514,355 in expenses. He expressed gratitude to ASMI staff including Beth Armstrong and Anne Kasputis for their daily work on the finances and business operations of the Association. Gary will work with them to prepare updated budget projections for the next fiscal year to be considered at Board Retreat in August.

He reminded that the 2018-19 adopted budget includes the increased dues rate of $3,000 per state. He noted that directors should have seen the series of email messages to help justify the increase to help process the dues payment.

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

President Wages expressed a special thanks to our meeting host Jason Rhodes (RI).

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

**NEPS** – Dia Gainor reported that NASEMSO is working with NHTSA OEMS on 2018-19 plans for projects addressing trauma and time-sensitive emergencies, a modified national EMS assessment and workforce attrition.

**National Collaborative for Bio-Preparedness** – Joe Ferrell indicated that 10 states have signed on, with several more to join shortly. The South region has six of the 10. Data is being delivered and reports are being generated. Biospatial is hosting tonight’s Presidents Reception.

**SOP Model Revision** – Dia indicated that a public comment period is open.

**Fatigue in EMS** – Kathy Robinson said that 10 learning models will be prepared.

**ASPR Transport of Highly Infectious Patients** – Dia reported that the template and exercise design deliverables have been submitted and are waiting for approval from ASPR.

**Baylor EIIC** – Rachael Alter shared that this week she met with Manish Shah, Sam Vance; Rachael has been assigned 13 states to provide technical assistance and site visits to states west of the Rockies.

**NHTSA Naloxone Evidence-Based Guideline** – Mary Hedges indicated that the project had its second quarterly project briefing with NHTSA staff this morning. Field providers were recently added to the project team. Data has been received from EMS PIC. There are 43,000 records on naloxone administration. Dr. Williams added that the team is producing a guideline based on data available.

**ToxCel Field Trauma Triage** – a data submission request will be released so that an analysis can occur.

**REPLICA** – Sue Prentiss reported that the public notice has been released for the upcoming meeting in May. She provided status details on legislation in South Carolina, New Hampshire, Missouri, Nebraska and Louisiana.

**Safe Transport of Children Crash Test** – Mary Hedges shared that a small work group met in person at NASEMSO HQ including Treasurer Gary Brown; the assembly worked on the crash test project and the meeting was funded by Maryland EMSC.

**ACS-COT Records Linkage Joint Policy Statement** – Dia Gainor noted that NASEMSO has received a sub-award from the American College of Surgeons to develop a joint statement. One face-to-face meeting occurred on May 7; writing assignments are due June 7.

# ACTION ITEMS

**Council of State Governments** – the Board received a cost estimate totaling $86,765 for technical assistance for states to enact REPLICA. It was noted that the arrangement would be to pay for services as used, not a flat rate.

ACTION: Joe Schmider moved, seconded by Andy Gienapp to authorize a contract up to $25,000. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Update on REPLICA** – Commission Chair Joe Schmider (PA) reported that an agreement is almost final with NREMT for management services including a .50 FTE support. Doug Wirthberg is the Commission’s legal counsel. The Commission developed 11 scenarios to help solidify duties, responsibilities and purposes of REPLICA.

**Position Statement on Degrees for Paramedics** – On behalf of the Personnel Licensing Council, Helen Pullen reported that the PLC agrees with the concept of an Associate degree requirement, but they don’t agree with signing on to a position statement.

**Briefing from IAFC** – Norris Croom conveyed that IAFC wholeheartedly supports REPLICA and will continue to work with groups to pursue states’ enactment. Other IAFC issues that interest NASEMSO includes the SIREN Act, Ryan White Act work with ASPR, FirstNet and Paul Patrick’s nomination to its board.

# OTHER BUSINESS

# ACS Recommended Equipment for Ambulances – AVL and Medical Directors Council will review the list.

# NEMSIS Version Release Timeline – Kevin Putman approved a new timeline to reflect a five-year process to initiate and implement revisions. The Gantt style chart is preferred. The DMC will finalize the draft and determine if it will be ready to present to the June or July Board Meeting.

# National EMS Memorial Service – Joe Schmider conveyed that he was one of the few state EMS directors at the service last Saturday in Washington, DC. There is an initiative to establish a monument in DC with the support of the National Park Service.

# Medical Directors Input – Dr. Williams indicated that they are working on a code of ethics for EMS medical directors, and the Council requested that NASEMSO not meet during EMS week in the future.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the board meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

*Meeting Record respectfully submitted by NASEMSO EVP Beth Armstrong.*