



Meeting Record

Present

Officers

Secretary: Steve McCoy (FL)
Treasurer: Gary Brown (VA)
Immediate Past President: Keith Wages (GA)
Member-at-Large on EC: Stephen Wilson (AL)

Regions

East: Jason Rhodes (RI)
South: Stephen Wilson (AL)
West: Wayne Denny (ID)
Western Plains: Joe House (KS)

Councils

Data Managers: Tom McGinnis (CA)
Data Managers: Tim Nangle (ME)
Medical Directors: Matthew Sholl (ME)
Pediatric Emergency Care: Morgan Scaggs (KY)
Personnel Licensure: Jamie Gray (AL)
Trauma Managers: Alyssa Johnson (MT)
Trauma Managers: Eileen Worden (MI)

Members

Systems of Specialty Care Committee Chair:
Jeanne-Marie Bakehouse (CO)
Personnel Licensure: Dale Adkerson (OK)
Pediatric Emergency Care: Cynthia Wright-Johnson (MD)

Federal Partners

HRSA/EMSC: Tee Morrison-Quinata
NHTSA OEMS: Gam Wijetunge

NASEMSO Staff

Rachael Alter
Beth Armstrong
Jay Bradshaw
Dia Gainor
Mary Hedges
Zoe Renfro
Kathy Robinson

Absent

President: Kyle Thornton (NM)
President-Elect: Andy Gienapp (WY)
Great Lakes Region
Health & Medical Preparedness Council

Call to Order / Roll Call

Secretary Steve McCoy called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Eastern time and Zoe Renfro called roll. A quorum was present.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Steve McCoy presented on Executive Committee (EC) meetings that took place since the May Board meeting.

May 24 Executive Committee Meeting

Steve reported the EC discussed the NFPA standards council standard development for contamination control and response. The NFPA requested NASEMSO name primary/alternate representatives in the enforcer category, and the EC determined the HMPC and MDC should make the nominations. The EC reviewed and approved

the member-at-large election process. Andy Gienapp reported on a draft bill on surprise billing and the EC determined to keep an eye on the bill's development.

May 31 Executive Committee Meeting

Steve reported the EC approved NASEMSO's partnership with the nonprofit Education Development Center (www.edc.org) in their application to a DOJ grant to expand mental health resources available to US emergency responder personnel. The EC recommended Joe Schmider (TX) for a National Safety Council interview on first responder safety, growth in mobile technologies, and mass casualties.

June 7 Executive Committee Meeting

Steve reported the EC discussed AAMS concerns about NASEMSO's position on air medical services and the Airline Deregulation Act. The EC agreed NASEMSO would support any increase in reimbursement and Dia would set up a call with AAMS leadership to continue discussions of the matter.

The EC reviewed comments from Dr. Carol Cunningham on the Model Naloxone Access Act. The EC agreed to sign on to the LIFT letter with a note objecting to its omission of subjects like NEMSIS and Next Gen 911. The EC agreed to pay dues to the Prehospital Guidelines Consortium. The EC submitted 6 names to the NREMT for their international review team. The EC reviewed and approved Dia Gainor's upcoming travel.

Annual Business Meeting Minutes and May Board Meeting Minutes

The May Board and ABM minutes were displayed as distributed to the Board.

ACTION: Joe House moved, and Tim Nangle seconded, that the Board minutes and ABM minutes should be approved as distributed. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Financial Performance

Gary reported the SOA is online for Board members to view. As of May 31, 2019, 11 months into fiscal year, our operational income is \$1,142,371 versus a 12-month budget of \$1,389,370. The operational expenses are \$1,179,133 versus a 12-month budget of \$1,514,355. Net income from operations as of May 31 is at a deficit of \$36,762. However, if you look at other income, that deficit is brought down to \$27,824. Gary noted this represents a reduction in the \$69,985 deficit anticipated in our adopted budget. Gary reported monies are yet due from meeting sponsors that should balance things out in June. Gary hoped the next report will be balanced or in-the-black. Gary noted our income for operations is much lower this year but staff is doing a great job of staying on top of things. Gary invited anyone with questions to call or email Gary, Beth or Anne.

ACTION: Jason Rhodes moved, and Jamie Gray seconded, to approve Gary's Treasurer report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Program Committee

Gary reported a Program Committee meeting took place on June 11 with a focus on 2019 Annual Meeting evaluations. The Program Committee welcomed new Committee members Steve McCoy, Dan Manz, Joe Schmider, Mike Bologlu (NV), and other new members who were not able to attend the call— Donald Watson (NV), Chuck O'Neal (KY), Andy Gienapp (WY), and Kyle Thornton (NM). Gary expressed appreciation for the Committee members.

Gary reported that Mary compiled and analyzed the evaluations and numbers, and the Program Committee read and discussed every single comment. Gary reported attendance was the highest since 2014, the number of sponsors was a new record, and the evaluation response rate was high. Gary noted the president's reception, regional meetings, and founders luncheon were the best-rated events. Gary reported the new schedule worked fabulously and the Program Committee will continue to refine the schedule. Gary noted we are reconsidering the optional outing for 2020.

Gary noted Dale Adkerson will chair the next Program Committee meeting in Gary's absence on July 9.

Federal Partner Updates

NHTSA OEMS

Gam Wijetunge reported FICEMS will meet on June 26 in DC. Their meeting will be webcast. NHTSA has official EMS Agenda 2050 print copies available for order from our print warehouse. Please email Gam to request a copy.

HRSA/EMSC

Theresa Morrison-Quinata reported HRSA will announce 7 successful grant award recipients for PEC applied research network to continue pediatric research in both prehospital and hospital systems. HRSA will also announce the successful awards for the targeted issues grant program. Tee noted this project aims to link improved clinical outcomes to having a PECC in prehospital systems, and HRSA hopes to demonstrate that system improvement can make a difference.

Member-at-large election

Dia reported that Stephen Wilson from Alabama was the only nominee and opened the floor for nominations. No further nominations were made.

ACTION: Keith Wages moved, and Jamie Gray seconded, that the nominations for Member-at-Large be closed. The motion passed unanimously, appointing Stephen Wilson to the Member-at-Large position.

Executive Director's Report

NEPS

Dia Gainor reported that NEPS work continues under two major tasks, the National EMS Assessment and the evaluation of time-sensitive systems of care emerging in states. Dia noted NASEMSO submitted a no-cost extension request for NEPS in May. Gam reported to the Board that the formal request for modification has not yet been approved, but he did not anticipate there would be any issues with the request. Gam noted that, if necessary, he could get verbal approval from the contract officer. Dia thanked Gam for the update and noted that retooling the timeline will be necessary after the NCE is approved.

Fatigue in EMS

Kathy reported the Fatigue project has an OMB application in the works. The project's new contracting officer, Jordan, has advised OMB applications normally takes about a year, which places the estimated approval timeframe around this fall. Kathy noted the delay is an issue with regards to our subscriptions to software packages— we're spending money without being able to do the study. The project team has initiated conversations about this situation with the COR.

Baylor EIC

Rachael Alter reported they are planning for the EMSC grantee meeting in August, and the agenda is close to being finalized.

Safe Transport of Children Crash Test

Dia Gainor thanked states for contributing funds that made technical proposal development possible. We are identifying potential funding organizations, preparing for outreach, and tracking our communications with them.

Joint Policy Statement on Records Linkage

Dia reported we are still awaiting NHTSA review of the Joint Policy Statement. That statement will come back to the Board for final review.

Action Items

NASEMSO Board Code of Ethics

Dia displayed the Code of Ethics as distributed on the screen. Keith reported that after the 2018 Reno Board retreat and in subsequent discussions over the course of the year, the previous Board concluded it would be good to go on record with a formal code of ethics, as many other states and associations have done. The Virginia state EMS office had a robust and professional code of ethics which Gary submitted for consideration. Staff reviewed other codes of ethics and assembled the distributed document.

Gary agreed with Keith's summary and noted the Board, as representatives of NASEMSO, has a responsibility to conduct themselves in a professional manner that represents the best interests of NASEMSO. Conflicts of interest should be disclosed and we should maintain expectations of professional excellence, confidentiality, and other qualities we might take for granted.

Joe House requested "name of organization" on page 12 be replaced with "NASEMSO".

ACTION: Keith moved, and Stephen Wilson seconded, that the code of ethics should be adopted as submitted by the staff, with Joe's correction. The motion passed unanimously.

Approve Safe Transport of Children Committee Document

Eric Hicken being unable to attend, Cindy Wright-Johnson presented the "Pediatric Transport Products for Ground Ambulances" document on behalf of the Safe Transport of Children Committee (STC). Cindy reported the document is three years old and the Committee intends to revise it every two years. Cindy reported the STC continues to explore the possibility of creating an international standard for judging and securing equipment for transporting children.

Cindy noted the document displays a last modified date with the promise to review the document every two years. Cindy noted the STC removed columns with "low-cost" vs "high-cost" terminology that might depend on a department's budget or otherwise confuse an EMS quartermaster, procurement specialist, or PECC. Cindy reported the PECC Steering Committee has discussed the document at their last three meetings and expressed support for this change in terminology. Cindy reported the disclaimer has been modified to specify that the list is not an endorsement of any product but simply a list of currently-available devices that *can* be used to secure children of appropriate weight and height to a stretcher or captain's chair for emergency transport. Cindy noted the document addresses transporting a child who is not the patient but cannot be left unaccompanied, because this scenario is addressed in the NHTSA best-practice guidelines document.

Steve McCoy opened the floor for questions, and Joe House (KS) noted that "consensus" was misspelled on pages 2, 5, and 8.

ACTION: Joe House moved, and Gary Brown seconded, that the document should be approved with Joe's correction. The motion passed unanimously.

Board Email Address Policy

Dia reported that NASEMSO staff wanted to gauge the Board's comfort level with the way in which their contact information is listed on the NASEMSO website. Jay Bradshaw noted that the issue came up with Keith's retirement and migration to a personal email address. Jay noted that bots are able to circumvent attempts to

disguise email addresses and can still harvest contact information. Jay reported that members have access to the same Board contact information through the member directory, and suggested we include on the public-facing site only the name, title, and state of Board members.

Keith expressed support for the idea. Steve agreed it would be best to remove addresses, phone numbers, and emails from the public-facing. Keith agreed that because the information is available to members through the roster, there is not much value in having the Board's contact information posted publicly. Keith added that directing public calls towards NASEMSO staff creates an opportunity to develop sponsor relationships.

ACTION: Keith moved, and Gary seconded, that the Board's addresses, phone numbers, and emails should be removed from the public-facing Board webpage. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion Items

EMS Compact

Wayne Denny reported that at the in-person meeting in Salt Lake City, the EMS Compact approved their rules with minor housekeeping changes. The Compact is having calls regularly and is in the process of finalizing those minor housekeeping changes. Wayne reported the rules should be completed soon.

National Collaborative for BioPreparedness

Dia reported she was invited to present to the Executive Board of the Governors' Highway Safety Association (GHSA) and they were acutely interested in the dashboard display specific to motor vehicle related incidents. Dia shared that the approximately 14 states present received the NASEMSO roster for their state for follow-up.

Steve McCoy noted that Florida's crash data is linked with their EMS data, and he asks BioSpatial to use it in any way possible. Steve noted his state benefits from the benchmarking effort, and advocated for other states' participation. Keith agreed that Georgia used the benchmarking in their briefing for a new commissioner, and it is also being used by a number of hospitals.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:54 PM EDT.

Meeting record respectfully submitted by Member Services Specialist Zoe Renfro.