



Meeting Record

Present

Officers

President: Kyle Thornton (NM)
President Elect: Andy Gienapp (WY)
Treasurer: Gary Brown (VA)
Immediate Past President: Keith Wages (GA)
Secretary: Steve McCoy (FL)

Regions

Great Lakes: Tony Spector (MI)

Councils

Data Managers: Tom McGinnis (CA)
Pediatric Emergency Care: Amanda Perry (KY)
Trauma Managers: Eileen Worden (MI)
Medical Directors: Matt Sholl (MA)

Members

Education: Terrie Godde (IL)
Data Managers Alt: Jay Ostby (WY)
Karen Moore (SC)

Federal Partners

NHTSA OEMS: Jon Krohmer
NHTSA OEMS: Gam Wijetunge
HRSA EMSC: Jocelyn Hulbert

NASEMSO Staff

Dia Gainor
Beth Armstrong
Hannah Degn
Kathy Robinson
Rachael Alter
Mary Hedges

Absent

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

Call to Order / Roll Call

President Kyle Thornton called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Eastern time and Hannah Degn called roll. A quorum was present.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Steve McCoy presented the March Board meeting minutes.

ACTION: Gary Brown moved, and Amanda Perry seconded, that the minutes should be approved as distributed. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Financial Performance

- Treasurer Gary Brown reported that as of April 30, NASEMSO had an operational income of \$905,709 versus a 12-month budget of \$1,177,041.
- Operational expenses were \$816,482 versus a twelve-month budget of \$1,267,067.

Program Committee

Gary Brown reported on behalf of the Program Committee that they have met twice since the previous board meeting. They have posted on the NASEMSO website the current Schedule-at-a-Glance. They are still working to identify one more general session subject. The hotel offers for livestreaming are under \$400 per day to offer a hybrid in-person/virtual meeting. The committee is in favor of livestreaming the sessions on Thursday and possibly the pre-conference workshop on Sunday as well. NASEMSO staff will also be working to verify which committees and councils will be meeting in person at the event. Everyone can make room reservations, view the call for abstracts and the current schedule on NASEMSO's website. The next meeting will take place next month.

Federal Partner Updates

HRSA/EMSC

Jocelyn Hulbert reported that they released a supplemental opportunity for 1 million that is expected to result in applications that will convert to 100 each – current state partnerships programs are eligible. They can assure access to age-appropriate care. The respondents will specify the demonstrations process and the pre-hospital and agency partner systems. The deadline for this is June 25. They are planning their virtual meeting in August. She also provided an update for their upcoming webinars.

NHTSA OEMS

Dr. Krohmer reported for awareness that the national academy of sciences and several put out a position statement today on crisis standard of care. As part of the echo series, the EMS program next Monday will be on engagement between EMS agencies and healthcare coalitions.

Gam Wijetunge reported as an FYI that the air ambulance patient advisory committee has their secondary plenary meeting coming up on May 27 and May 28 and anyone is welcome to register and attend.

Executive Director's Report

Current Projects

NHTSA Fatigue in EMS

Kathy Robinson reported that the project is starting to wind down. They have 12 agencies that are active, several have finished all of the education part of the study. They will start ramping up their final report and are working with volunteers to work with on the scheduling tool.

EMS for Children Innovation & Improvement Center Update

Rachael Alter reported that they have Thursday Webinar upcoming and will be launching their Tool Kit on the website.

NHTSA Pain Management Evidence-Based Guideline

Mary Hedges reported that this morning they submitted their first major deliverable to NHTSA – The first manuscript. From this point on they will be working on the protocol and in mid-august they will be submitting the performance measures.

NHTSA Model Clinical Guidelines

Andy reported that the project is still on track, the next deadline coming up is the submission of the deadline to the office of EMS in June, after which they will work on soliciting comments.

Action Items

Fiscal Year 2022 Budget

Discussion: Gary Brown presented the first draft of the FY22 Budget that was submitted to the EC last month. It is a balanced budget, based on the numbers from last year they came up with the proposed budget which is based on conservative assumptions of the previous year. They did put a hold on any increase for the previous year due to the pandemic, however NASEMSO will include a 3% increase in this budget for the next year.

ACTION: Andy Gienapp moved, and Steve McCoy seconded, that the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget should be approved. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion Items

NAEMSP Quality Bill (Draft Federal Legislation)

Discussion: Kyle Thornton provided a brief summary and overview of the bill. It contains several aspects about quality assurance and measures which, depending on

the point of view there can be some perceptions of federal preemption of state's authority and agencies. NAEMSP have been encouraging about receiving NASEMSO's feedback and are open to comments. They have made some changes based on initial concerns that were voiced by the executive committee based on federal preemption. Requirements that ambulance services would need to meet begin on page 8 of the bill. The list is worth reviewing since it is in state laws and rules and historically Medicare has accepted state's licensure for this purpose. NAEMSP has provided assurance that language will be added to clarify this point and potential federal reach, if there is a difference between state and federal license requirements. If an agency meets the requirements on a state level but not a federal level, they would remain licensed just be unable to receive reimbursement from Medicare.

Discussion took place about current concerns of supporting the bill. Andy Gienapp voiced his concern that if the language remains, the responsibilities of the medical directors, while they do fill in that form the language is reaching into the purview of the State EMS offices. Potentially the equality of licensure for agencies could be problematic based on differences on the state/federal level.

The brackets on the distributed version highlight the language that has yet to be resolved as final between the NAEMSP leadership and the staff receiving this bill. This is the latest version, however there could be further updates but at this time NASEMSO has remained neutral. Everyone can read through it and pass along any concerns or questions to Dia Gainor or Kyle Thornton.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:54 PM EDT at the motion and second of Keith Wages and Andy Gienapp.

Meeting record respectfully submitted by Project Coordinator Hannah Degn.