

NASEMSO Board of Directors
January 12, 2023 2:00 PM EDT via GoToMeeting

Meeting Record



Present

Officers

President: Alisa Williams
President-Elect: Joe House
Treasurer: Gary Brown
Immediate Past President: Kyle Thornton
Secretary: Jason Rhodes

Regions Chairs

East and Member at Large on the EC: Justin Romanello
Great Lakes: Kraig Kinney
West: Todd McDowell
Western Plains: Marty Link

Council Chairs

Data Managers: Jay Ostby
Health & Medical Preparedness: Karen Owens
Personnel Licensure: Brett Hart
Pediatric Emergency Care: Marc Minkler
Trauma Managers: Eileen Worden
Medical Directors: Matt Sholl

Other NASEMSO Members

Tim Wilson
Amber Viitanen
Raffaella Calciano
Rich Kamin
Jay Taylor

Federal Partners

HRSA EMSC: Jocelyn Hulbert

NASEMSO Staff

Dia Gainor
Andy Gienapp
Adrienne Wilson
Randall Eimerman
Kelli Perrotti
Mary Hedges
Leslee Stein-Spencer
Rachael Alter
Beth Armstrong

Absent

South: Jamie Gray

Call to Order / Roll Call

President, Alisa Williams called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. ET and Adrienne Wilson called roll. A quorum was present.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Jason Rhodes presented the summary of the last four Executive Committee meetings since the November Board meeting and the NASEMSO Board of Directors Strategic Planning Retreat.

Discussion: Marc Minkler brought it to the Board's attention that there is an unnecessary "the" before America's in the December Retreat Minutes' proposed byline. Dia stated that staff would fix.

ACTION: Gary Brown moved to approve the December 2022 minutes, with the proposed change and Joe House seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Financial Performance

Gary reported that NASEMSO's December 31, 2022 total income is \$594,434 and the December 31, 2022 total expenses are \$576,201, versus a twelve-month budget of \$1,349,498. The net income from Operations is \$5,973. The total net excess is \$18,233 (including other income) and net assets are \$730,632.

Gary added that Beth Armstrong is assembling a group to come to Falls Church in March, to look at the next fiscal year's budget. The plan is for the group to draft something that they can present to the Executive Committee and the Board in April

Program Committee

Gary reported that the Program Committee last met Tuesday, January 10th. He stated that the program is coming along nicely and that they went through the schedule at a glance. The biggest change will be the opening session, which will kick off on Monday. Gary added that Monday will feature some heavy hitting speakers and topics. It will also include, a luncheon abstract awards, and Council spotlights. Mary has sent out a communication to the Chairs to ask them to participate in the Council spotlights, where they will engage in 2-way conversations. The goal is to make it relevant and engaging for all members.

President's Report and Federal Partners Welcome

Update on CoAEMSP Deliberations

Dia Gainor stated that available Executive Committee members and staff are meeting with CoAEMSP on Friday, and she will hopefully have more to report to the Board after that interaction.

HRSA/EMSC

Jocelyn Hubert reported that the EMSC for Children annual survey for EMS agencies rolled out early last week and will remain open until March 31st.

NHTSA OEMS

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Executive Director's Report

New NEMSIS Liaison Randall Eimerman

Dia Gainor introduced the new NEMSIS liaison, Randall Eimerman.

Letter of Concern to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

Dia Gainor stated that NASEMSO submitted a letter of concern to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services about the appointments made to the ground ambulance patient billing advisory committee. Acknowledgement of letter was received with a verbalized commitment to look into it. The meeting was supposed to occur Jan 17-18; however, the meeting has been postponed due to "operational impediments".

The Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting

Dia Gainor attended The Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting. There were 13,000 people in attendance. Attendance resulted in several new interactions with staff up to and including the staff of the Secretary of the US Department of Transportation's Office and an opportunity to do a presentation on Post-Crash Care. The presentation was "The Last Best Chance the Patient Has".

Statement of Commitment to the National Roadway Safety Strategy

Dia Gainor stated that the EC approved, sending a statement of commitment to the National Roadway Safety Strategy. That request was routed to NASEMSO from the US Department of Transportation Secretary's office through Gam. The statement was transmitted to Gam late yesterday afternoon.

Current Projects

EMS for Children Innovation & Improvement Center Update

Rachael Alter did not have anything to report.

Community Opioids (TASC)

Mary Hedges reported that the Community Opioid Project is getting renewed, and they are currently working on a webinar that will feature what North Carolina is doing to address the opioid epidemic. Mary will also be working on a couple of written items that will be about what EMS is doing to address the overdose crisis. The Opioid Ad Hoc Committee is now meeting every other month.

Workforce Cap 1 (NHTSA/OEMS)

Andy Gienapp reported that he and Rachael Alter are finalizing a report on the scan results that will be sent when finalized. Will be relying on the pilot states for the next phase of project work.

Strategic Planning CAP 3 (NHTSA/OEMS)

Andy Gienapp reported that the final project briefing to NHTSA and HRSA will occur next week on Thursday.

Model PH Emergency Guidelines CAP 4 (NHTSA/OEMS)

Andy Gienapp reported that he will be focusing mostly on the pilot states for this next phase. He has been in discussions with Max Sevareid on how they can best shape the final product.

Airway EBG (NHTSA/OEMS)

Andy Gienapp reported that Airway EBG Technical Expert Panel will meet later this month in conjunction with NAEMSP in Tampa. Matt Sholl added that they have three more scheduled meetings, two virtual and one in person. They will begin the writing process as one of the deliverables. This includes a public publication in peer reviewed journals. Matt added that they are also talking about the potential for follow-up projects as well, including working with some the members in a different off-line project to help encourage additional research and evidence generation around prehospital airway management.

Adult Falls (NACCHO)

Dia Gainor reported that they have been doing a lot of one-on-one pairing up and introductions between state EMS offices and local health departments. Since the last Board meeting, they have done pair-up meetings with Oregon and the State of Washington.

Pending Projects

Safe Transport of Children Crash Test Project

Dia Gainor reported that NASEMSO staff is refining the scope of work and the budget for the first phase of the five years' worth of work. Once finished, they will turn both into NHTSA's Office of EMS.

NHTSA Task Order on Cataloguing EMS Resources

Dia Gainor had nothing to report

H.R.8994: Supporting Our First Responders Act

Dia Gainor reported that she believes there was no action taken on the Act. She will continue to keep an eye on it, as it may turn into a sizeable grant program.

Other Business

Update: GEMS Take Your EMS Class To Church Article

Dia Gainor reported that the JEMS Editorial staff declined to take down the article because it was an OP-ED, it has been out for several years, and this is the first time anyone has had concerns.

Progress in States

No discussion on NEMSIS Monthly Report. Biospatial use, or other emerging issues.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:40 PM EDT at the motion of Jason Rhodes and the second of Justin Romanello.

Meeting record respectfully submitted by Member Relations Coordinator Adrienne Wilson.