

NASEMSO Annual Business Meeting

Monday May 13, 2024 and Thursday May 16, 2024
Omni William Penn, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania



AGENDA

Monday, May 13 at 1:15 ET

- Call to Order – *Joe House*
- Secretary’s Report / Roll Call – *Sam Hurley*
- Treasurer’s Report / Presentation and Adoption of Budget – *Justin Romanello*
- Nominating Committee Report – *Alisa Williams*
- Pre-filed Resolutions – *Sam Hurley*
- Proposed Amendments to the Bylaws - *Sam Hurley*
- Other Business
- Recess

Thursday, May 16 at 3:45 ET

- Call to Order - *Joe House*
- Secretary’s Roll Call - *Sam Hurley*
- Vote on Amendments to the Bylaws - *Sam Hurley*
- Action on Resolutions - *Sam Hurley*
- 2024 Election: Treasurer
- 2024 Regional Election Results: East and West Region Chairs and Vice-Chairs
- Future NASEMSO Annual Meetings
 - 2025 Grand Rapids MI (possible date change pending)
 - 2026 Rapid City, SD or Kansas City, MO
 - 2027 West Proposals
- Other Business
- EMS Compact Update – *Kraig Kinney*
- Recognition of Anniversaries and Service - *Joe House*
- Adjournment



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Monday, May 13, 2024, and Thursday, May 16, 2023
Reno, Nevada**

Meeting Record

Part One—Monday, May 13, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

President Alisa Williams called the meeting to order at 1:50 PM PT.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Jason Rhodes called roll noting 37 states in attendance. The Secretary's report and minutes from the May 2023 Board Meeting were read. The motion to accept the May minutes will take place on Thursday, during Part Two of the Business Meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Gary Brown and Secretary Jason Rhodes presented the Treasurer's Report including 2022-23 year-to-date financial performance and the 2023-24 budget.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Past President Kyle Thornton reported that the Nominating Committee was comprised of the Regional Chairs, and work was accomplished through email. Justin Romanello and Jason Rhodes were put forth as the two President Elect candidates. There are no nominations for Secretary.

PRE-FILED RESOLUTIONS

Secretary Rhodes presented one pre-filed Resolution. The Resolution, *Embracing the National EMS Museum*, will be submitted by Justin Romanello. Sam Hurley recused himself because he sits on the Board of the National EMS Museum.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

Secretary Rhodes stated that the Bylaws amendments vote will take place during Thursday's Annual Business Meeting—Part Two. Rhodes thanked the five Regional Chairs who assisted in the process of readying the proposed three amendments. The first two relate to Councils and Regions—how officers are elected and serve in case of a vacancy. The third change addresses an "honorable member". Joe Schmider asked why an "honorable member" would pay the same amount as an Associate Member and indicated he will open the discussion for a friendly amendment on Thursday.

RECOGNITION OF STATES MIGRATING TO NEMSIS 3.5.0

President Williams handed out recognition certificates to states who have migrated to NEMSIS V3.5: Minnesota, Connecticut, New Jersey, Vermont, California, Wyoming, Oregon, Louisiana, Washington, and Arizona, with special recognition to the first three states to complete the migration: Colorado (1st), Kansas (2nd), and South Dakota 3rd).

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OTHER BUSINESS

None

The Annual Business Meeting was called to recess until Thursday, 3:45 pm PT.

Part Two, Thursday, May 16, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

President Williams called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM PT.

SECRETARY'S REPORT AND ROLL CALL

Secretary Rhodes called roll noting a quorum with 41 states in attendance.

TREASURER'S REPORT

He reported that the draft budget is conservative and balanced, and that it was strategically reviewed based on previous trends and predicted outcomes. The budget was vetted and approved by the NASEMSO EC and Board and asked for a motion to approve.

ACTION Sam Hurley (ME) motioned, and Kraig Kinney (IN) seconded to adopt the 2023–2024 NASEMSO Budget. The motion carried unanimously.

VOTE ON AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

Secretary Rhodes stated that the amendments to the Bylaws were presented during Tuesday's Annual Business Meeting on Monday and asked for a motion to approve.

ACTION Jamie Gray (AL) motioned, and Dylan Ferguson (MN) seconded to accept the amendments to the Bylaws. The motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ON RESOLUTIONS

President Williams stated that there are two resolutions. The first is *Embracing the National EMS Museum* (Resolution 2023-01), submitted by Justin Romanello (NH).

ACTION Kraig Kinney (IN) moved and Rafaella Calciano (CT) seconded to adopt the resolution with an amendment to correct the submitting state name.

The second is *Resolution Calling for the National EMS Information Systems (NEMSIS) to Update Data Elements and Values, Enabling Appropriate Documentation of Patient Demographics* (Resolution 2023-07), submitted by Emily Bergquist (MI).

Discussion: Sam Hurley (ME) asked if the list of states who support this resolution will be eliminated once the amendment is adopted. President Williams verified that this part will be eliminated once the amendment is adopted. The Resolution will also be renamed Resolution 2023-02. President-Elect Joe House asked if third party consultants were involved in this conversation and creation of the resolution. He

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added that he wanted to make sure that there was a process in place and if there was one that NASEMSO was following it.

ACTION Wayne Denny (ID) motioned, and Daniel Burke (DC) seconded to adopt the resolution. Two opposed and Maryland abstained. The motion carried.

FEDERAL PARTNERS

Gam Wijetunge thanked NASEMSO for all that the Association does; he shared that he was reminded that national efforts, such as NEMSIS and the Interstate Compact started as simple conversations at an annual meeting. Rick Patrick also praised NASEMSO and its hard work.

2023 ELECTIONS

Alisa Williams (MS) transitioned from President to Immediate Past President and Joe House (KS) transitioned from President-Elect to President.

The Nominating Committee presented Justin Romanello (NH) and Jason Rhodes (RI) as the candidates for President-Elect.

ACTION: Wayne Denny (ID) motioned, and Sam Hurley (ME) seconded to start the voting process for the position of President-Elect. Members voted by paper ballot, and the votes were collected and tallied. Jason Rhodes (RI) was elected as President-Elect.

ACTION: Wayne Denny (ID) motioned and Rafaella Calciano (CT) seconded to nominate Sam Hurley (ME) for the position of Secretary. Daniel Burke (DC) moved to close the nomination. The motion passed unanimously electing Sam Hurley (ME) to the position of Secretary.

President, Alisa Williams announced the Region elections results for Great Lakes, South, and Western Plains:

- **Great Lakes** – Chair Kraig Kinney (IN); Vice Chair Emily Bergquist (MI)
- **South Region** – Chair Jamie Gray (AL); Vice Chair Christine Kresse (AR)
- **Western Plains** – Chair Tim Wilson (SD); Vice Chair Margot McComas (IA)

FUTURE NASEMSO ANNUAL MEETINGS

- **Spring 2024** –Pittsburgh, PA (East)
- **Spring 2025** – Grand Rapids, MI (Great Lakes)
- **Spring 2026** – Western Plains proposals: Rapid City, SD and Kansas City, MO. Additional proposals will be accepted through July 1, 2023.

OTHER BUSINESS

ACTION Dan Burke (DC) motioned, and Sam Hurley (ME) seconded that NASEMSO staff be instructed to explore the feasibility of developing a government relations program. This exploration would be sent in writing to the membership by October 1, 2023.

Discussion

Marty Link asked if this would be a program or an individual and Dan Burke clarified that it would be a program. Kraig Kinney (IN) asked if staff thought that they could have it done by that date. Dia Gainor replied that it may be a little ambitious.

ACTION Dylan Ferguson (MN) made a friendly amendment to extend the deadline from October 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023; Daniel Burke accepted.

ACTION Jay Taylor (PA) motioned, and Sam Hurley seconded the amended motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion

Jay Taylor (PA) asked if there is a charge in the Bylaws that allows the Health and Medical Preparedness Council to change their name to the EMS Preparedness and Response Council. Dia Gainor responded that they can change their name at any time and advised the Council to send it to the Board for a vote.

Discussion

Dylan Ferguson (MN) asked the Board to consider a rebranding and modernization of NASEMSO. Dia Gainor asked what the timeline would be. Ferguson (MN) stated that ideas could be brought to the next Annual Meeting for discussion. President Alisa Williams added that this could be a staff item for discussion at the December Retreat. The results of that discussion could be brought to next Annual Meeting.

Discussion

The Rural EMS Committee discussed the possibility of reviewing and revising the 2004 Rural and Frontier EMS Agenda and are open to partnering with the National Rural Health Association (NRHA). Executive Director Dia Gainor stated that she could outreach to the NRHA executive director to start a conversation.

ACTION Scott Winston (VA proxy) motioned, and Joe House seconded that the Rural EMS Committee will look at reviewing and revising the 2004 Rural and Frontier EMS Agenda alone, or in conjunction with, the National Rural Health Association. Kraig Kinney (IN) and Dylan Ferguson (MN) abstained. The motion carried.

RECOGNITION OF ANNIVERSARIES AND SERVICE

President Alisa Williams recognized individual members on the anniversaries of their service.

- Five years - Jamie Gray (AL)
- Five years- Ryan Greenberg (NY)
- Five years- Christy Kresse (AR)
- Five years- Christopher Price (ND)
- Five years- Justin Romanello (NH)
- 10th Anniversary- Joseph Schmider
- 10th Anniversary – Dana Selover (OR)
- Certificate of Appreciation- Nevada EMS for Hosting the Annual Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the NASEMSO Annual Meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM PT.

Meeting Record respectfully submitted by NASEMSO Member Relations Coordinator Adrienne Wilson and Secretary Jason Rhodes.