

**NASEMSO Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Thursday, January 8, 2015**  
**Meeting Record**

**Present**

Jim DeTienne (MT), Immediate Past President  
Joe Ferrell (IA), EPSC  
Andy Gienapp (WY), West Region  
Joe House (KS), North Central  
Paul Patrick (UT), President-elect  
Paul Sharpe (VA), Data Managers  
Peter Taillac MD (UT) Medical Directors  
Kyle Thornton (NM), Secretary  
Keith Wages (GA), President-elect  
Alisa Williams (MS), South Central Region  
Sherri Wren (NE), Trauma Managers

**Also Present**

Greg Brown (AR), Air Medical  
George Gentile, EMSC  
Susan McHenry, NHTSA OEMS  
Tom Nehring (ND), Rural EMS

Joe Schmider (TX), Domestic Prep.  
Ken Williams, MD (RI), Medical Directors Chair Elect

**Absent**

Chris Bell (VT), East Region  
Gary Brown (VA), Treasurer (excused)  
Lee Burns (NY), East Alt.  
Fred Hornby (WI), EPSC Chair Elect  
Carolina Roberts Santana, MD (RI), PECC Chair Elect

**Staff Present**

Rachael Alter, Program Manager  
Beth Armstrong, Exec VP  
Dia Gainor, Executive Director  
Mary Hedges, Program Manager  
Kathy Robinson, Program Manager

**Call to Order / Self-Introductions**

President-elect Paul Patrick (UT) called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm and Beth Armstrong called roll; a quorum was present.

**Secretary's Report**

Secretary Kyle Thornton (NM) presented the December 11-12, 2014 Meeting Record.

**ACTION:** Jim DeTienne moved, seconded by Andy Gienapp to approve the Record as presented. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**

On behalf of Treasurer Gary Brown, Beth Armstrong reported that 6-months total income as of December 31, 2014 is \$789,741 and expenses are \$893,666. The current fund balance is \$906,178.

Beth reminded folks that if they have not done so, to submit their reimbursement for the Retreat as soon as possible.

**Program Committee Report**

Paul Patrick reported that the Program Committee meets next Tuesday to plan the Mid-Year Meeting Program for San Antonio, April 20-22, 2015. The registration form and draft program will be posted on the web site next week. The Program Committee phone meeting

will be on Tuesday, January 13, 1:00 pm Eastern. Paul reiterated that anyone interested is encouraged to join the call.

### **Executive Director's Report**

- **REPLICA Update and Next States** – Dia Gainor reported that there are nine states that have filed (LA and MO) or are in process of filing legislation, or otherwise conducting activity in this vein. Details will be posted on the REPLICA web site. NASEMSO has not yet sought endorsement from national EMS organizations, but the Federation of State Medical Boards has done so.

**ACTION:** There was no objection to Dia Gainor initiating endorsement requests from the national EMS organizations. Paul Patrick will address this with NAEMSP next week. JNEMSLF meets the end of February in Baltimore, and this gathering can address an advance request.

- **CAP7 Steering Committee** – Dia reports that the Steering Committee of the CAP 7 performance measures cooperative agreement includes two state EMS officials. Howard Backer (CA) is confirmed; Dean Cole (NE) was slated to serve as the other, but his new Governor recently prohibited such activity. The Executive Committee will guide the selection of a second state EMS official. Andy Gienapp (WY) offered to serve.
- **NAEMSP Cooperative Agreement** – Paul Patrick asked the Board to authorize Dia to discuss their proposal and make a recommendation regarding NASEMSO's involvement. NAEMSP submitted an unsolicited proposal to NHTSA to gather data from local EMS medical directors nationwide to assess their scope of work, compensation and other service details. NASEMSO's role would be as a conduit for the data solicitation.

### **NASEMSO Liaison Reports**

- **(None)** – no liaison reports were provided.

### **Action Items**

- **NASEMSO EMS Preparedness Improvement Strategy Foreword** – Joe Schmider (TX) presented to the Board a new Foreword written to reflect Ebola and infectious disease developments since the document was completed in August 2014. It would be transmitted with a cover letter by the NASEMSO President, with a date of January 2015.

**ACTION:** Jim DeTienne moved, seconded by Andy Gienapp approved this action. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried. Appreciation was expressed for the support provided by Gam Wijetunge and Drew Dawson with this effort.

### **Council Highlights**

- **Data Managers** – Paul Sharpe mentioned that they will meet as a full council every other month, and work groups (Data Definitions and Mentoring) will meet in

alternating months. He mentioned that they considered destination reporting issues during their December call. NEMSIS 3.4 is scheduled for release January 21 and states will be able to test submissions. Public comments will be collected through December 31. Joe had concern that the “new” version keeps being changed, making it difficult to keep up. Paul says that NEMSIS has committed to minor changes every year around March 1, but major changes, such as a version 4.0, not be suggested for another, for example, 5-year period.

- **Education & Professional Standards** – Joe Ferrell reported that the council met in December and will reconvene in a few weeks to produce their mid-year meeting agenda.
- **Medical Directors** – Dr. Peter Taillac reported that their mid-year meeting occurs January 21 in conjunction with NAEMSP in New Orleans. Their agenda includes a meeting with DEA to discuss interests in EMS and their use of controlled substances. Paul Patrick will address their group. 15 medical directors are currently registered.
- **Pediatric Emergency Care** – Katherine Hert noted that they have not met since the Board Retreat.
- **Trauma Managers** – Sherri Wren reported that their executive and steering committees will meet later this month.

### **Standing Committee Highlights**

- **Air Medical** – Greg Brown indicates that they will have their first meeting the end of this month. They intend to have a draft Guidelines document by the mid-year meeting.
- **Communications & Technology** – Paul Patrick reported that he and Kevin McGinnis completed a conference call recently and are exploring what kind of video components might be needed by EMS. They envision that once broadband technology is widely available, such applications will be incorporated into systems. They will meet the first Thursday of each month at 11am.
- **Domestic Preparedness** – Joe Schmider noted that the next call occurs January 27, 3pm Eastern to review the EMS funding survey plans (which they conduct every other year). They will also produce an Ebola Lessons Learned document for NASEMSO board review. Tomorrow afternoon Joe represents NASEMSO on a technical assistance group which is part of the healthcare preparedness project with ASPR to help communities prepare for infectious disease.
- **Government Information** – Jim DeTienne and Kyle Thornton are coordinating to have a meeting third Tuesday each month at 3:00 p.m. Eastern time.
- **HITS** – Mary Hedges reminded that Donnie Woodyard agreed to chair the committee. Next meeting is February 11 at 3pm Eastern.
- **Rural EMS** – Tom Nehring reported that they will hold a meeting prior to the NASEMSO Mid-Year Meeting. They have been working with JCREC on topics such as FLEX funding allowable uses and have also focused on producing the Rural EMS Conference to occur in May in Wyoming.

### **Ad Hoc Committee Reports**

- **Agency & Vehicle Licensure** – Dia Gainor reported they meet January 29.

- **Mobile Integrated Health / Community Paramedicine** – Jim DeTienne they continue to meet on a regular schedule. Key issues are the survey currently in progress to determine what states are doing in this arena, and the whole realm of what is community paramedicine, what is mobile integrated healthcare, and variations thereof.

### **Regional Reports**

- **East** – (no report)
- **West** – Andy Gienapp made a brief report, noting that Wayne Denny is the new Regional Alternate Representative. He noted that he would like to figure out a way to assure including our Pacific Islander colleagues in NASEMSO activity. He also mentioned that Wyoming will be putting out a call for speakers for their August Trauma Conference.
- **South Central** – Alisa Williams noted that Donnie Woodyard from LA will serve as the Regional Alternate Representative, and that they are discussing another face-to-face meeting for South Central in Tennessee.
- **North Central** – Joe House shared that they will meet next Tuesday at 1pm Central time to determine their focus within the region for the year.

### **Other**

- **Committee/Council Chairs Teleconference** – following the February Board call, Keith will facilitate a discussion among all chairs to help support collaboration among the many NASEMSO bodies.

### **Federal Partner Update(s)**

- **EMSC** – (no report)
- **NHTSA** – (no report)

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 3:02 pm at the motion and second of Jim DeTienne and Alisa Williams respectively, with unanimous support.

*Meeting Record respectfully submitted by NASEMSO Executive Vice President Beth Armstrong.*

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