

NASEMSO Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, July 9, 2015
Meeting Record



PRESENT

Gary Brown (VA), Treasurer
Chris Bell (VT), East
Jim DeTienne (MT), Immed Past President
Joe Ferrell (IA), EPSC
Joe House (KS), North Central Region
Lindsey Narloch (ND) for Paul Sharpe (VA),
Data Managers
Paul Patrick (UT), President
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

ABSENT

Andy Gienapp (WY), West Region
Katherine Hert (AL), PEC Chair-elect

ALSO PRESENT

Theresa Morrison-Quinata, EMSC
Joe Schmider (TX), Domestic Prep.

STAFF PRESENT

Rachael Alter, Program Manager
Beth Armstrong, EVP
Dia Gainor, Executive Director
Mary Hedges, Program Manager
Kevin McGinnis, Program Manager
Kathy Robinson, Program Manager
Peg Trimble, Program Manager

CALL TO ORDER / AGENDA REVIEW / SELF-INTRODUCTIONS

President Paul Patrick (UT) called the meeting to order at 2:03 PM Eastern time and Beth Armstrong called roll; a quorum was present. The agenda was reviewed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Kyle Thornton (NM) presented the June 11, 2015 Meeting Record.

ACTION: Gary Brown moved, seconded by Joe Ferrell to approve the Record as corrected. The motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Financial Performance – Treasurer Gary Brown reported that the 12-months receipts as of June 30, 2015 is \$1,622,541 and expenses total \$1,709,329. We concluded the 12-months period with a net deficit of (-\$86,788) which is slightly better than the budgeted deficit of (-\$92,427). The deficit includes (-\$31,078) in unrealized loss from investments so our actual position did not vary greatly due to 2014-15 cash performance. We have net assets of June 30, 2015 of \$871,927. 14 states have already paid 2015-16 dues, along with two corporate members and two associate members.

Program Committee Report – Gary Brown provided a brief overview of changes to the program and reported that the Program Committee met this week to prepare recommendations for 2015 Fall Meeting travel support. He asked members to look at the current program on the web site. He noted that the Leadership Skills Workshop has been shortened to six hours on Sunday afternoon. The optional outing at Churchill Downs has

been arranged and Kathy Robinson was able to secure a sponsor in order to drastically reduce individual participation fees. Gary particularly thanked NASEMSO Program Manager Mary Hedges who staffs the Program Committee.

Negotiations are still occurring for the 2016 Spring Meeting facility.

Gary reminded all members to participate in the Fall Meeting state doodad fun.

He presented the list of those seeking travel support – two applicants who were on the Program Committee recused themselves from the decision. The Committee recommended support for one person from each council, and no more than one award per state in order to fund the most possible participants.

They recommend support totaling \$10,793 as follows:

Officers and Directors

Chris Bell (VT)
Andy Gienapp (WY)
Paul Patrick (UT)

Data Managers

Richard Cooper (NH)

Education & Professional Standards

Brett Hart (TX)

Medical Directors

Ken Williams M.D. (RI)

Trauma Managers

Carmen Allen (KS)
Sherri Wren (ND)

Committee Chair

Michael Berg (VA), AVL

ACTION: Chris Bell moved, seconded by Joe House approve this recommendation. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

ACTION: Chris Bell moved, seconded by Joe House to increase the amount of available support by \$10,000. It was noted that the total request by all applicants was \$30,000 so the Program Committee will need to meet again to select the additional recipients; the Executive Committee will approve the final awards.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- **CAP 1** – we await final execution of Year 5 paperwork; the activity is technically already underway as of May 26. Several weeks ago we submitted a revised document detailing tasks and deadlines, along with the budget. Dia, Beth and Paul will meet with NHTSA OEMS staff September 1 to talk about the next generation of this arrangement upon its conclusion.
- **CAP 5** – site visits were completed last month to collect evaluation data on the pediatric toolkit, and this CAP concludes in about four months.
- **CAP 6** – the pinnacle of workload was completed in April in San Antonio with a very productive Stakeholders Meeting. The MOU for state sign-on has been drafted. A data definitions work group draft has been submitted to NHTSA last month and their response is pending.
- **CAP 7** – a steering committee meeting occurs August 19.

- **CAP X** – This has been extended to September 2016.
- **Pending Project Considerations** – Dia shared that staff has been working on various funding applications.
 - A cooperative agreement specific to state EMS office and tribal EMS relationships and promising practices.
 - An EMS health IT project that may be awarded by ONCHIT to define the electronic equivalent of the “short form” that EMS personnel might leave on paper at an ED and conversely the data that a hospital (presumably ED) would provide back to the EMS agency.
 - A small grant from NIST to summarize the various ambulance design and ambulance testing resources that have been released in recent past and package the information in an electronic interactive format.
 - A cooperative agreement application opportunity related to EMS personnel (both care providers and driver) fatigue.
 - A subcontract from ASTHO to work on ASPR-driven interests related to EMS rules and transport agency designation for patients with confirmed or suspected of serious infectious diseases. An assessment of the feasibility of the state licensure process might also be used to evaluate readiness.
 - A 2nd generation strategy building on the EMS Preparedness Improvement Strategy goals.

NASEMSO LIAISON REPORTS

- **EMSC** – Theresa Morrison-Quinata reported that the EMSC program completed 204 regional symposia in Utah this week. There was a regional symposium in Atlanta last month. San Diego in August and Philadelphia in August. The grantee meeting will occur the week of June 20, 2016 in the DC area.

ACTION ITEMS

- **WiFi Innovation Act** – Kevin McGinnis presented a draft letter for NASEMSO to oppose the legislation. It is premature to assign band-width as proposed for inter-vehicular communications (smart cars, smart roadways, linkage to public safety) until it is determined what amount of band-width is needed.

ACTION: Joe House moved, seconded by Kyle Thornton approve the letter and also ask JNEMSLF organizations to issue similar letters. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

- **Ad Hoc Committee for Safe Transport of Children in Ambulances** – this will be considered next month when Jack or Greg Brown can address it.
- **Bridging the Gap: Easing the Transition from Military Medic to Civilian Paramedic** – Peg Trimble presented the NAEMSE report which they drafted under contract with NASEMSO.

ACTION: Jim DeTienne moved, seconded by Chris Bell to accept the report and submit it to NHTSA as one of the CAP6 deliverables. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

- **National EMS Safety Council** – NASEMSO received an invitation to join the Council.

ACTION: Chris Bell moved, seconded by Gary Brown to join the Council. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Standing Committee Highlights

- **Air Medical** – Kathy Robinson reported that they are still working on model rules and now must ensure they don't conflict with any content from the recently released FAA documents. Preliminary discussion regarding CAMTS developing a "medical only" cert indicated that CAMTS is opposed to removing safety oriented language and criteria from their existing standards.
- **Communications and Technology** – Kevin reported that the Committee has responded to several FCC filings recently; the focus is on location accuracy. FirstNet is about halfway through their state-by-state visits.
- **Domestic Preparedness** – Joe Schmider reported the next call is on August 9. CDC has asked NASEMSO to provide comments on two guidance/SOP documents addressing Decon and Patient Handoff. The Committee will formulate comments as soon as they can and the Executive Committee will approve in time to submit to the CDC.
- **Government Information** – Jim DeTienne said the Committee will meet July 21.
- **HITS** – (no report)
- **Rural EMS** – Kevin McGinnis underscored that the first Rural EMS Conference occurred in May in Cheyenne, WY and was very successful with more than 200 attendees. It will be repeated next year. Texas Panhandle wants to host the event next year.

Ad Hoc Committee Reports

- **Agency & Vehicle Licensure** – (no report)
- **Mobile Integrated Health/Community Paramedicine Committee** – Jim DeTienne mentioned they reviewed their work plan, are finishing work on their survey and it should be available soon. They plan to address standardized education for MIH/CP; they will create a small work group to come up with some tools and guidelines about what states can offer to their programs and what they can support. A specialty exam for CP is being piloted at EMS World. They intend to engage the Medical Directors Council about strategies for community paramedicine. They are considering model legislation for states.

Regional Reports

- **East** – Chris Bell mentioned that the region met earlier this week and the agenda included REPLICA, the NASEMSO Fall Meeting, naloxone and air medical regulation.
- **West** – Kyle mentioned that the next meeting occurs July 20 at 4pm Mountain time.
- **North Central** – Joe House indicated that a meeting of directors in the region will occur next Tuesday at 10am and then all officials will gather via phone July 28.
- **South Central** – Alisa Williams (MS) shared that the region will meet next Thursday at 1pm Central time.

Council Highlights

- **Data Managers** – Lindsay Narloch reported that their focus is implementation of the next version of NEMSIS, working with each other to share lessons learned by early adopters. They are also considering how to use data for state benchmarking.
- **Education & Professional Standards** – Joe Ferrell shared that their full council met the beginning of June, received information about NAEMSE and CoAEMSP and planned Fall Meeting work. Rachael thanked the EPSC for verifying recent information collected about initial and licensure.
- **Medical Directors** – Mary reported that they will meet next Monday. They are working to revise the narcan issue brief with Kathy Robinson. Dr. Carol Cunningham (OH) and Dr. George Lindbeck (VA) represented NASEMSO recently at a two-day meeting. They are also exploring ways to maintain the EMS clinical guidelines project.
- **Pediatric Emergency Care** – (no report)
- **Trauma Managers** – Sherri Wren said their steering committee met in June to prepare their Fall Meeting agenda. Dr. Mary Fallatt will provide a lecture; Carol Mays and Kathy Robinson helped release the trauma monograph data collection effort. They have offered small incentives for those completing the 60-question survey. They will conduct a webinar on Monday on ACS green book to orange book cross-over.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 3:11 pm ET.

Meeting Record respectfully submitted by NASEMSO Executive Vice President Beth Armstrong and Secretary Kyle Thornton.

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