

**NASEMSO Board of Directors Teleconference
Thursday, January 10, 2013
Meeting Record**

Present

Dennis Blair (AL), Secretary
Gary Brown (VA), Treasurer
Dean Cole (NE), North Central
Jim DeTienne (MT), President
Dave Edwards (VA), PEC
Brett Hart (TX), Educ & Professional Stds
Pat Irwin (NV) West Alt.
Joe Nelson M.D. (FL), Medical Directors
Joe Schmider (PA), DP and East
Rob Seesholtz (TN), Trauma Managers
Peter Taillac M.D. (UT), Medical Directors
Keith Wages (GA), South Central

Randy Kuykendall (CO), Past President
Joe Moreland (KS), Data Managers
Paul Patrick (UT), President-elect
Kyle Thornton (NM), West

Also Present

Rachael Alter, Program Manager
Beth Armstrong, EVP
Dia Gainor, Executive Director
Mary Hedges, Program Manager
Tom Nehring (ND), Rural EMS
Kathy Robinson, Program Manager

Absent

Secretary's Report

Secretary Dennis Blair presented the previous meeting record. Joe Schmider moved, seconded by Dean Cole to approve the December 11-12, 2012 Board Meeting Record. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Gary Brown stated that the beginning fund balance at July 1 was \$484,000; year-to-date receipts are \$628,867 and expenses are \$569,424 yielding a net excess as of December 31 of \$59,443. The fund balance at December 31 was \$544,185.

ACTION: Joe Schmider moved, seconded by Dennis Blair to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Gary reminded the Board that they decided that the Program Committee can be used as the Finance Committee as appropriate to address financial matters related to the NASEMSO meetings. He reported that the Finance Committee met this week to address a request to waive a registration fee from an individual who did not attend the annual meeting and did not cancel their registration per the NASEMSO published policies.

ACTION: Dennis Blair moved, seconded by Dean Cole to uphold this policy. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Gary reported that the NASEMSO Mid-Year Meeting Program will include time for an association business session. He noted that there are not sleeping rooms available at the Renaissance Hotel where the meeting occurs, but there *are* rooms available in the DC area

and details will be circulated. He shared that EMS Today is offering NASEMSO members registration discounts.

Brown stated that the Annual Meeting program schedule will include sessions until mid-day on Friday (when the meeting occurs on the West Coast, the program concludes by the end of the day on Thursday so that travelers can return home the next day.)

Dean Cole noted that he will fulfill next week his assignment to contact those states that have not yet paid their 2012-13 dues to determine reasons why payments are not made.

Presidential Ponderings

- AEMS – Jim DeTienne reports that the AEMS Board continues to negotiate with H&K, and Jim will be further addressing the contract concerns with the NAEMSP and NAEMSE presidents this week.
- He mentioned that he plans additional strategic discussion on future Board agendas.
- Jim Nelson reports that the Medical Directors Council seeks Board permission to publish the “Definition of EMS” that has been previously approved by NASEMSO.

ACTION: Jim DeTienne indicated that the Board should review the definition that was circulated with this meeting packet; the Board will determine how it should be published next week.

- Culture of Safety in EMS – Jim asked the Board to review this document. Staff will organize a membership teleconference next week to discuss comments so that NASEMSO can finalize a response before it is reviewed by NEMSAC at the end of the month.
- ASTHO Emergency Care Drug Shortage White Paper – Jim suggested that Board members review this.
- CHEMS/CP Committee – Jim summarized current developments. Board members expressed a preference for the term “Community Health EMS” because that is all encompassing. Dr. Nelson shared that the CP Committee meeting at NAEMSP was standing room only.

ACTION: Joe Nelson moved, seconded by Dennis Blair to form this committee.

- Ad Hoc Mentoring Committee – mentoring was a component of every Council’s workplan at the 2012 Board retreat. Jim’s planned charge to the committee is to craft a uniform approach to this type of activity.

ACTION: Dean Cole moved, seconded by Joe Nelson to form a committee to develop this program.

Action Items

- Rural EMS Committee – Tom Nehring asked that the Board approve a survey as circulated in the meeting packet.
- Education Agenda Implementation Survey – Kathy reported that they are still seeking 20-30 states' response.
- Domestic Preparedness Survey – Joe Schmider asked that a new survey be delayed until the domestic preparedness survey response is more complete.

ACTION: Regional representatives should make personal contacts to non-responding states. Jim DeTienne also offered to make contacts.

- AVL Committee – NASEMSO submitted input to NFPA as previously approved regarding ambulance specifications. The Committee has asked for Board approval to seek support for NASEMSO-initiated Tentative Interim Amendments from JNEMSLF, individual state EMS directors, and ask state EMS directors to ask for support from their state fire and EMS associations and local agencies.

Discussion Items

- AAP Documents – David Edwards has reviewed these documents and has no concerns. No discussions or concerns from the group.

Regional Reports

- East – Joe Schmider reported that the next meeting will be Jan 28th at 3pm
- West – (not present)
- North Central – (no report)
- South Central – Keith Wages reported that at the last meeting NFPA / GSA extension and EMS Advocates discussed. All members expressed appreciation for the extension. Looking forward to more info on Advocates. Next meeting a week from today.

Council Reports

- Medical Directors – Joe Nelson reported that the definition of EMS and culture of safety topics are currently being addressed by their council along with the model clinical guidelines project. They are meeting this week in conjunction with NAEMSP.
- Data Managers – not present
- EPS – haven't met this year. Steering committee will meet this month. Concern that after polling the group, only 5 people responded that they are coming to the Mid-Year Meeting.
- PECC – Dave Edwards reported that the Steering Committee met on Jan 3rd. They discussed the mentoring program, pediatric disaster checklist and QI indicators as well as Pediatric Readiness project. Finalizing agenda for Mid-Year held adjacent to EMSC Program Managers meeting. PECC members will also be able to attend NASMESO Mid-Year to attend other meetings
- Trauma – Executive Committee will meet next Friday to discuss mid-year planning. Updates to recourse tool kit and data collected.

Standing Committee Highlights

- Communication & Technology – (not present)
- Domestic Preparedness – Joe Schmider reported that the Hurricane Sandy After Action Report with NY & NJ is almost complete and should be ready by next conference call. As determined by the After Action Review, after hour call numbers for state directors are not correct. A request will go to each of the regions to verify numbers and update where needed; once updated will look at national test in the fall.
- Government Information – (not present)
- HITS – Keith Wages reported that they have had their first meeting of the year, want to sustain and grow participation. Susan McHenry gave a NHTSA overview. Need to get more states involved in the Traffic Incident Management Program .
- Rural EMS – Tom Nehring reported that they have not had a meeting yet, but have held a JCREC meeting where the Work Plan and Community Paramedics were discussed. A co-chair has been elected to JCREC– Jon Barnas, Michigan Center for Rural Health. Would like to hold a Rural EMS Committee meeting at the Mid-Year Meeting; Mary verified that a meeting on Tuesday will work

Ad Hoc Committee Reports

- Air Medical - Jim DeTienne reported that Bob Bass is looking for volunteers to help develop Air Medical Rules/Guidelines. Bob already has a few Attorney General volunteers but need representation from state directors. Request for another appeal to get this committee started
- AVL – Dia reported that the Model Rules for Ambulances is moving along. NFPA proposing members for a work group for Forced Public Comments to the 1st revision (2nd Edition) should get underway shortly. Anticipate working on the model rules following that.
- Education I-Team – Kathy Robinson reported that they are revising the PPT presentation given to NHTSA for Kick Off meeting to reflect the full Cooperative Agreement, not just this part. Will get the group together to have items for the Mid-Year. Effort for the states to come on board for paramedic accreditation are further along in the process than originally anticipated. The new director for National Registry is in place: Trey Rodriguez

Committee meetings at mid-year, please let Mary know. Meeting space is limited.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:17 p.m..

Meeting Record respectfully submitted by EVP Beth Armstrong and Program Manager Rachael Alter.