

NASEMSO Board of Directors Teleconference / Webinar
Thursday, April 11, 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 Moreland (KS), Data Managers
Joe Nelson M.D. (FL), Medical Directors
Paul Patrick (UT), President-elect
Joe Schmider (PA), DP and East
Rob Seesholtz (TN), Trauma Managers
Kyle Thornton (NM), West
Keith Wages (GA), South Central

Absent

Randy Kuykendall (CO), Past President

Also Present

Rachael Alter, Program Manager
Beth Armstrong, EVP
Beth Edgerton M.D., EMSC
Dia Gainor, Executive Director
Mary Hedges, Program Manager
Brian Litza (WI), AVL Committee
Susan McHenry, NHTSA OEMS

Secretary's Report

Secretary Dennis Blair presented the previous meeting record. Gary Brown moved, seconded by Brett Hart to approve the January 10, 2013 Board Meeting Record. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

- Finance Committee Report – Treasurer Gary Brown presented the current finance report as circulated, noting that as of 03-31-2013 receipts total \$1,032,155 and disbursements of \$915,962 with a current fund balance of \$653,171.
- Program Committee Report – Gary Brown reported that the Committee met this week; the program is shaping up and staff is confirming meeting space to accommodate session and schedule plans. The agenda should be posted online next week. Gary indicated that he sense of the program Committee to begin planning a Mid-Year Meeting for 2014 in the usual in-person format at an appropriate location and time. President Jim DeTienne asked regional presidents to seek a sense of their memberships on their attendance plans for Nashville this September; he asked that the Board meeting be scheduled for late Monday afternoon.

Presidential Ponderings

- NASEMSO Mission-Vision – Jim asked Paul Patrick to lead an effort to continue our discussion which began in March. They should finalize any recommendations at least 30 days prior to the annual business meeting since they may include bylaws changes.

- AEMS – Jim submitted a written report to the Board noting two primary sponsor-level members, NAEMSP and NASEMSO.
- ASTM Air Medical Guidelines – NASEMSO will submit a letter expressing concerns about their effort.
- Letters of Appreciation for Dia Gainor and Rachael Alter – Jim shared that Joe Moreland submitted letters, and thanked him for doing this.
- Requests for NASEMSO Letters of Support – Jim has instructed Dia to work with staff to draft a policy on how to vet each request.
- NASEMSO Dues Payments – Jim thanked Dean Cole for communicating with each state that has not paid dues 2012-13; it was noted that each state EMS office remains on the member roster regardless of ability to pay dues.
- Community Paramedicine – Jim DeTienne shared that there have been several recent gatherings around this, mobile integrated health and related topics.

ACTION: The Board agreed to create a NASEMSO Mobile Integrated Health Committee; this was done by unanimous vote at the motion and second of Joe Nelson and Kyle Thornton, respectively.

Action Items

- NASEMSO Council Charter – Rachael Alter presented edits to the current charter document that would make current NASEMSO terminology (such as “Board” instead of “Executive Committee.”

ACTION: Dennis Blair moved, seconded by Gary Brown to approve the edits as circulated. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried. Staff will update the document and post it online.

- NAEMT Community Paramedicine Committee – Jim proposed to appoint a NASEMSO representative from the new NASEMSO Mobile Integrated Health Committee.

ACTION: Dennis Blair moved, seconded by Joe Nelson to approve the appointment. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

- NAEMT Field EMS Bill Committee – Jim proposed to appoint a NASEMSO representative.

ACTION: Gary Brown moved, seconded by Paul Patrick to approve the appointment. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

- National Pediatric Readiness Project – Jim presented a request for support of the nationwide quality improvement effort based on “Joint Policy Statement: Guidelines for Care of Children in the Emergency Department.”

ACTION: Joe Nelson moved, seconded by Dennis Blair to approve the appointment. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Discussion Items

Federal Partner Updates

- NHTSA OEMS – Susan McHenry reported that their staff is currently working to determine how many they can send to the NASEMSO Annual Meeting.
- HRSA EMSC – Beth Edgerton reported that they are organizing their state managers meeting the end of April with their tech committee meeting following them.

NASEMSO Standing Committee Highlights

- Communications & Technology – (no report)
- Domestic Preparedness – (no report)
- Government Affairs – (no report)
- HITS – Keith Wages reported that they met yesterday. They heard about a toolkit to support interaction between state offices of EMS and offices of highway safety; this toolkit is being produced by RedFlash Group. They also discussed about accommodating hearing-impaired needs in ambulances – Mary Hedges will prepare a letter expressing our association’s interest in this.
- Rural EMS – Rachael Alter reported that current surveys are reaching completion so the Rural EMS data collection effort will begin soon.

NASEMSO Ad Hoc Committee Reports

- Air Medical – Jim DeTienne noted that a NASEMSO effort to advance model rules is underway, lead by Bob Bass.
- Agency & Vehicle Licensure – Brian Litza drew the members’ attention to today’s email from Dia explaining status of NFPA 1917 and current NASEMSO efforts. The group identified common language at the mid-year meeting, and are currently waiting to see what the technical committee discusses.
- Education Agenda I-Team – (no report)
- Specialty Certification – (no report)

NASEMSO Regional Reports

- East – (no report)
- West – Kyle Thornton that the region’s members were in the middle of a lot of legislative activity last meeting; they meet again tomorrow.
- North Central – Dean Cole shared that Kevin McGinnis will be a guest speaker for their regional call next month, about communications matters.
- South Central – (no report)

NASEMSO Council Highlights

- Data Managers – Joe Moreland shared that data managers completed the review of a list of “suggested 7” last week. They will be undertaking a survey next week and will begin planning their annual meeting agenda soon.

- Education & Professional Standards – Brett Hart shared that their steering committee met last week to address the military document; NASEMSO is invited to a roundtable meeting at the White House on April 22 to discuss transfer of military credentialing and licensing to civilian work.
- Medical Directors – Joe Nelson indicated the Model Guidelines project is progressing on schedule. Subgroups are tackling specific topic areas within the guidelines and have included good participation of external groups. An in-person meeting will occur later this summer. They have posted a document online for public comment.
- Pediatric Emergency Care – Rachael Alter noted that the council will meet after the EMS program managers meeting May 1-2. The national pediatric readiness assessment is taking the attention of state offices currently. Joe Nelson expressed concern with the current deadline and Beth Edgerton indicated she will address this issue and circle back.
- Trauma Managers – Rob Seesholtz reported that the mentoring toolkit work is ongoing, and their steering committee will meet in two weeks.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:13 p.m.

Meeting Record respectfully submitted by EVP Beth Armstrong.