

**NASEMSO Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Thursday, September 11, 2014**  
**Meeting Record**

**Present**

Katrina Altenhofen (IA), PECC Alt  
Chris Bell (VT), East Region  
Gary Brown (VA), Treasurer  
Lee Burns (NY), East Alt.  
Joe Ferrell, EPSC Alt  
Andy Gienapp (WY), West Alt.  
Brett Hart (TX), Educ & Professional Stds  
Joe Nelson, (FL) Medical Directors  
Paul Patrick (UT), President-elect  
Rob Seesholtz (TN), Trauma Managers  
Paul Sharpe (VA), Data Managers  
Keith Wages (GA), South Central

**Also Present**

Mike Berg (VA), Agency & Vehicle Lic.  
Rich Kamin M.D. (CT), CAP4 Project  
Susan McHenry, NHTSA  
Theresa Morrison-Quinata, EMSC  
Tom Nehring (ND), Rural EMS  
Joe Schmider (TX), Domestic Prep.

**Absent**

Dennis Blair (AL), Secretary  
Jim DeTienne (MT), President  
Jack Fleearty (IL), North Central  
Kathryn Hert (AL), PECC  
Kyle Thornton (NM), West Region

**Staff Present**

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

**Call to Order / Self-Introductions**

President-elect Paul Patrick (UT) called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm and Beth Armstrong called roll; a quorum was present.

**Secretary's Report**

On behalf of Secretary Dennis Blair (AL), Beth Armstrong presented the August 14, 2014 Meeting Record.

**ACTION:** Gary Brown moved, seconded by Brett Hart to approve the Record as presented. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Gary Brown reported that 2-months total income as of August 31, 2014 is \$210,109 and expenses are \$188,721. Net excess is reported at \$21,389 and the current fund balance is \$996,291.

Gary noted that he visited NASEMSO HQ yesterday and drafted 2015-16 projections in preparation for the Annual Meeting. The current draft budget includes a dues increase for state EMS office packages of \$250 to \$1,750 per state.

## Program Committee Report

Gary Brown reported that the Program Committee will resume its work in November to plan the Mid-Year Meeting in San Antonio in March 2015. The preparations for the Annual Meeting in Cleveland are complete.

## Executive Director's Report

- **National Registry Staff Update** – Anne Weideman has been retained by NREMT to serve state EMS offices.
- **DHS Blue Campaign** – Dia was interviewed this month as part of a social media and outreach strategy setting effort.
- **IAFC-NAEMT-Led Meeting on EMS Field Bill** – Dia and Jim represented NASEMSO at this meeting last week to address funding options and lead federal EMS agency options. The bill will be introduced in the new Congress.
- **State+Federal Intergovernmental Meeting on Ambulance Safety** – NIST, NIOSH, DHS and others. Made a commitment to better communications, specifically on ambulance design issues.
- **Food Allergy Research & Education (FARE) Emergency Management of Anaphylaxis** – renewed efforts are underway to influence the scope of practice for EMS. They used two masters degree fellows who studied all states legislation, but did not drill down to regulations or guidelines. Dia forged new relationships with health systems pharmacists and others to address these matters.
- **NEMSAC Meeting** – Dia noted that the FICEMS strategic plan and EMS Education Agenda for the Future were major topics of discussion.

## Action Items

- **National Model EMS Clinical Guidelines** – Dr. Rich Kamin presented a final draft document including Cardiovascular, General Medical, Resuscitation, Pediatric Specific, GI/GU/Gyn, Respiratory, Trauma, Toxins and Environmental Guidelines. Susan McHenry expressed gratitude on behalf of NHTSA and praised the quality and promising usefulness of the final deliverable.

**ACTION:** Paul Sharpe moved, seconded by Chris Bell to approve the guidance document as presented. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

- **NASEMSO Bylaws Changes** – Paul Patrick shared proposed amendments with the Board for awareness. They will be acted upon in Cleveland.

## Ad Hoc Committee Reports

- **Air Medical** – Kathy Robinson reported for Greg Brown that they meet every other Monday. They are hoping to have a draft document for the annual meeting.
- **Agency & Vehicle Licensure** – Dia Gainor and Michael Berg reported that an effort by CAAS is based on KKK specifications to result in new specifications with an effective date of October 2015. The NFPA Technical Committee reviewed 60 public comments last month.
- **Mobile Integrated Health / Community Paramedicine** – Kevin McGinnis reported that a survey is underway now to help assess current state activities in this

arena. There is a meeting tomorrow to talk about an association approach to plan and develop a resource documents for those developing MIH/CP programs.

- **Specialty Certification** – Joe Schmider reported that they met 30 minutes ago with their NHTSA partners to review a concept paper that will be discussed in Cleveland.

### Regional Reports

- **East** – Chris Bell shared that they met a few weeks ago.
- **West** – Andy Gienapp made a brief report, noting it is snowing in Cheyenne.
- **South Central** – Keith Wages noted that they met last month and will meet again next week.
- **North Central** – Tom Nehring mentioned that they met.

### Council Highlights

- **Data Managers** – Paul Sharpe shared that the Council hosted a webinar for state EMS directors and also a panel at the 2014 Mid-Year Meeting to talk about implementation of NEMSIS version 3.0. He expressed concern about whether the new standards meet the needs of state EMS offices. Also, there are concerns regarding vendor capabilities.
- **Education & Professional Standards** – Brett Hart reported that they are finalizing their annual meeting agenda and Kathy Robinson mentioned that they are focusing on their peds project and competency standards for next year.
- **Medical Directors** – Dr. Joe Nelson announced that Dr. Peter Taillac will become chair in Cleveland.
- **Pediatric Emergency Care** – Katrina Altenhofen noted that their annual meeting agenda is completed; they intend to introduce a resolution addressing the safe transport of children.
- **Trauma Managers** – Kathy Robinson shared that the annual meeting agenda is finalized, the Joint Trauma Committee with ACS met along with the American Trauma Society and agreed that a data dictionary is needed to ascertain the level of compliance that can be provided by the trauma data bank.

### Standing Committee Highlights

- **Communications & Technology** – (no report)
- **Domestic Preparedness** – (no report).
- **Government Information** – (no report).
- **HITS** – Keith Wages invited all board members to attend their Committee members October 7 at 3:30 pm in Cleveland.
- **Rural EMS** – Tom Nehring reminded the Board that they began discussion about a Rural EMS Leadership Meeting May 5-6, 2015 in Cheyenne, WY. JCREC is leading the production of the event. He indicated that the projected \$97,000 event budget includes \$50,000 in participant scholarships.

**ACTION:** Paul Patrick asked that Tom Nehring confer with NASEMSO Treasurer Gary Brown to recommend a specific amount that NASEMSO might contribute. This will be on the Board's agenda in Cleveland.

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

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

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 3:18 pm at the motion and second of Keith Wages and Paul Patrick respectively, with unanimous support.

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

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