

NASEMSO Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, August 14, 2014
Meeting Record

Present

Katrina Altenhofen (IA), PECC Alt
Dennis Blair (AL), Secretary
Gary Brown (VA), Treasurer
Lee Burns (NY), East Alt.
Jim DeTienne (MT), President
Joe Ferrell, EPSC Alt
Andy Gienapp (WY), West Alt.
Joe Nelson, (FL) Medical Directors
Paul Patrick (UT), President-elect
Keith Wages (GA), South Central

Absent

Chris Bell (VT), East Region
Jack Fleeharty (IL), North Central
Brett Hart (TX), Educ & Professional Stds
Rob Seesholtz (TN), Trauma Managers
Paul Sharpe (VA), Data Managers
Kyle Thornton (NM), West Region

Also Present

Greg Brown (AR), Air Medical Chair
Kathryn Hert (AL), PECC
Tom Nehring (ND), Rural EMS Chair
Susan McHenry, NHTSA
Theresa Morrison-Quinata, EMSC

Staff Present

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

Call to Order / Self-Introductions

President Jim DeTienne (MT) called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm and Beth Armstrong called roll; a quorum was present.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Dennis Blair (AL) presented the July 10, 2014 Meeting Record.

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

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Gary Brown reported that 1-months total income as of July 31, 2014 is \$134,628 and expenses are \$104,587. Net excess is reported at \$30,042 and the current fund balance is \$984,602. The balance sheet includes \$40,338.29 in accounts receivable, investments of \$736,341 and cash of \$238,237.03.

Gary noted that he will visit NASEMSO HQ on September 10 to draft 2015-16 projections in preparation for the Annual Meeting. He invited any input regarding financial assumptions as the draft budget is prepared.

Program Committee Report

Gary Brown reported that the program content has been finalized, and that the committee followed up after the July Board call to award additional travel support funding for state EMS officials who had applied.

Presidential Ponderings

- **NAEMT, IAFC and the Field EMS Bill** – Jim DeTienne reported that he will meet with partner organizations in San Diego in a few weeks.
- **NEMSAC Visits** – meets in early September.
- **Ambulance Vehicle Standards** – the week before NEMSAC, we will meet with federal agencies at our request to improve coordination related to ambulance design and other issues that warrant improved intergovernmental communication. The day before NEMSAC we will attend a “regulator stakeholder” meeting being called by NFPA presumably to identify what they can do better.
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Executive Director’s Report

- **CAAS Ground Vehicle Standards Work Group** – Two in person meetings have occurred since the last NASEMSO Board meeting. Dia indicated that a draft will be available in the next few weeks.
- **Three Federal Initiatives You Need to Know About Now** – Dia moderated a panel at Pinnacle with ASPR, DHS/OHA and NHTSA.
- **Federation of Associations of Regulatory Boards** – Dia and Paul represented NASEMSO at this meeting two weeks ago. There are many opportunities to learn from other associations whose members are state agencies that license other health care providers. FARB Executive Director Dale Atkinson will visit via phone with the specialty certification workgroup leadership tomorrow to share insights regarding specialty certification.
- **REPLICA** – Webinar next week for state EMS officials and health preparedness staff only. 65 registrants to date.
- **Council of State Governments Annual Meeting** – Interstate Compact presentations by Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy, Federation of State Medical Boards on theirs and NASEMSO on REPLICA
- **FirstNet Public Safety Advisory Committee Meeting** – Paul Patrick mentioned an invitation will arrive soon for a gathering in DC.

NASEMSO Liaison Report(s)

- **CAMTS Update** – the board received a report from Greg Brown.

Action Items

- **Use of Naloxone in Out-of-Hospital Settings** – Dr. Joe Nelson presented a guidance document drafted by the Medical Directors Council.

ACTION: Dr. Joe Nelson moved, seconded by Gary Brown to support the guidance document as presented. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

- **NASEMSO EMS Domestic Preparedness Improvement Strategy** – Leslee Stein-Spencer presented the final draft Strategy on behalf of Joe Schmider. It identifies the “top 10” preparedness gaps. This was prepared under contract with DHS/OHA and the workgroup met twice in person; it included several NASEMSO representatives.

ACTION: Dr. Joe Nelson moved, seconded by Gary Brown to approve the Strategy as presented. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

- **Rural Emergency Care Leadership Conference** – Tom Nehring reported that the National Rural Health Association, National Rural Health Resource Center, NOSORH and NASEMSO are partnering to produce a meeting in Cheyenne, WY in Spring 2015. \$97,500 is required to produce it, including \$50,000 in participation scholarships. He has begun work to raise funds and has secured \$15,000 to date from Physio-Control, a charitable trust and the state of North Dakota. He explained that they are planning on 100-150 attendees and the JCREC seeks funding from each partner organization. Nehring summarized some of the session topics already planned. He presented the suggestion that ASMI be retained on a commission basis to help sell exhibits and sponsorships to NASEMSO’s current vendor database.

ACTION: There were no objections to ASMI supporting production of the event and using the NASEMSO potential exhibitor/sponsor database to do so.

ACTION: The NASEMSO Board will consider the request to provide funding support for the conference and make a decision in September.

Federal Partner Update(s)

- **EMSC** – Tee reported that they are currently pilot-testing the pediatric disaster check-list and are planning to launch in October/November.
- **NHTSA** – (no report)

Regional Reports

- **East** – (no report)
- **West** – Andy Gienapp made a brief report that Kyle Thornton is absent from today’s call because he is traveling to WY for a trauma conference.
- **South Central** – Keith Wages noted that they met July 17 and they had lengthy discussion on MIH and CP.
- **North Central** – (no report)

Council Highlights

- **Data Managers** – (no report)
- **Education & Professional Standards** – Kathy Robinson reported that they are finalizing their annual meeting agenda.
- **Medical Directors** – Dr. Joe Nelson indicated that are finishing up their Model Clinical Guidelines Project. The final review will occur by August 20; their input is due by August 29 and they hope to have the final draft submitted to NASEMSO and

NHTSA by September 19. They are planning their fall meeting agenda. They will have one more conference call before September.

- **Pediatric Emergency Care** – Kathryn Hert asked that PECC members be invited to regional NASEMSO calls.
- **Trauma Managers** – Kathy Robinson shared that the annual meeting is finalized, the Joint Trauma Committee with ACS will meet later this month.

Standing Committee Highlights

- **Communications & Technology** – (no report)
- **Domestic Preparedness** – Leslee Stein-Spencer reported that they received the FICEMS report on the MUCC and the committee is formulating input now on behalf of NASEMSO.
- **Government Information** – Jim DeTienne reported that they conducted a call earlier this month about the committee role and will report more broadly at the annual meeting.
- **HITS** – Keith Wages pointed out that their meeting notes are posted on the web site.
- **Rural EMS** – (see above discussion under “Action Items.”)

Ad Hoc Committee Reports

- **Air Medical** – Greg Brown shared that they meet every other Monday. They have divided up the standards to compile detailed input for the work group to review.
- **Agency & Vehicle Licensure** – No report.
- **Education Agenda I-Team** – Kathy Robinson indicates that work is progressing.
- **Mobile Integrated Health / Community Paramedicine** – Jim noted that they meet the fourth Monday of each month at 3:00 pm Eastern time.
- **Specialty Certification** – Kathy Robinson indicated that work is progressing.

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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