

NASEMSO Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, April 20, 2015
Hilton Palacio del Rio, San Antonio, TX

Meeting Record

Present

Gary Brown (VA), Treasurer
Jim DeTienne (MT), Immed Past President
Joe Ferrell (IA), EPSC
Andy Gienapp (WY), West Region
Joe House (KS), North Central Region
Paul Patrick (UT), President
Carolina Roberts Santana MD, PEC Chair-elect
Paul Sharpe (VA), Data Managers
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

Drew Dawson, NHTSA OEMS
Joe Schmider (TX), Domestic Prep.
Donnie Woodyard (LA), HITS Chair
Jay Bradshaw (ME)
Dennis Rowe, NAEMT
Mark Miller (AK)
Lindsay Narloch (OK), Data Chair-elect
Fred Hornby (WI), EMSC Chair-elect
Guy Dansie (UT)
Dennis Bang (UT)
Donna Tidwell (TN)

Absent

Chris Bell (VT), East Region

Also Present

Dale Adkerson (OK)
Greg Brown (AR), Air Medical
Dean Cole (NE)

Staff Present

Rachael Alter, Program Manager
Beth Armstrong, EVP
Dia Gainor, Executive Director
Mary Hedges, Program Manager
Kevin McGinnis, Program Manager
Nick Nudell, EMS Compass Project Manager

Call to Order / Self-Introductions / Agenda Review

President Paul Patrick (UT) called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM CT and self-introductions were made; a quorum was present. The agenda was reviewed and the ASTHO Affiliates Council Guiding Principles Document was added for discussion.

Secretary's Report

Secretary Kyle Thornton (NM) presented the March 12, 2015 Meeting Record.

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

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Gary Brown reported that as of March 31, 2015, the total income from operations is \$1,197,405 with expenses of \$1,315,003 leaving a deficit of -\$117,599 in net income. The current fund balance is \$845,966. Gary plans to visit NASEMSO HQ in a few weeks along with President Patrick; they will begin the 2016-17 budget projections along with reviewing the current budget.

Program Committee Report

Gary Brown reported that the Program Committee met last week to finalize Fall Meeting plans for Louisville. The poster/abstract competition submission deadline is August 31. The business session will occur on Thursday and Friday will be reserved for “late-breaking” issues and presentations.

The group was asked to plan ahead to participate in the state “doodad” exchange.

Executive Director’s Report

- **NHTSA Chief Counsel Interpretation Request** - Dia Gainor reminded that in 2011, NASEMSO sent a letter requesting interpretation of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards relevant to EMS. A response was not received, and Dia recently re-sent it.
- **CAP 1** - we await paperwork to undertake Year 5 activity.
- **CAP 5** – site visits have begun to collect evaluation data on the pediatric toolkit.
- **CAP 6** – analysis of bridge course options is in process
- **CAP 7** – there has been one meeting of the steering group to date and work sessions occur this week. A “call for guideline suggestions” will be issued soon.

NASEMSO Liaison Reports

- **(None)** – no liaison reports were provided.

Action Items

- **Proposed Bylaw Amendments** – Paul Patrick asked Board members to start thinking about who to elect as the Member-at-Large to the Executive Committee, assuming that the proposed bylaws amendments pass.
- **NASEMSO Application for National Quality Forum Membership** – Dia summarized that NASEMSO must join NQF in order for the EMS Performance Measures Compass project to succeed.

ACTION: Joe Ferrell moved, seconded by Greg Brown for NASEMSO to join the NQF. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

- **ASTHO and Affiliated Organizations Guiding Principles** – Paul presented the drafted updates. Dia noted that the biggest change involved cooperating on funding proposals.

ACTION: Peter Taillac moved, seconded by Jim DeTienne for NASEMSO to reaffirm the ASTHO Guiding Principles. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Discussion Items

Council Highlights

- **Data Managers** – Paul Sharpe noted the closed session was very helpful, especially for new participants. He presented the following recommended definitions on “major” versus “minor” revisions, and recommended timelines:

- **Major v. Minor Revisions**
- A major release would be any change to the underlying XML structure and breaks backward compatibility.
- A minor release would be any change that does not change the underlying XML structure and does not break backward compatibility.
- **Timelines/Deadlines**
- Version 3.3.4 will not close on 12/31/2015 and will now be maintained until 12/31/2017
- Version 3.4 will still be available to move to and will become required effective 1/1/2018.
- Major revisions will occur on a four year cycle (next major change could be 2019).
- It is recommended that NEMSIS continue to collect version 2 from states until 12/31/2016.

ACTION: Gary Brown moved, seconded by Joe House to accept the above timelines and definitions. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

- **Education & Professional Standards** – Joe Ferrell detecting fraud in EMS, pediatric continuing education, CECBEMS review process, medical directors’ role in continued competency.
- **Medical Directors** –Dr. Taillac reminded that they conducted their Mid-Year Meeting in January in conjunction with NAEMSP. DEA interest in EMS is occupying their attention regarding narcotic administration and they are drafting a rule for controlled substance act that should help.
- **Pediatric Emergency Care** – Carolina Roberts Santana reported they elected regional leadership, had a session on MIH/CP, bio form, state reports, the NASEMSO web site and other topics.
- **Trauma Managers** – Sherri Wren reported that the group talked about adding stroke and STEMI to their group. They decided that they are not currently prepared to make a recommendation and will conduct a literature review and environmental scan for a decision this autumn. They spoke about benchmarking measures. They will seek ACS participation in their Fall discussion. Sherri pondered how the trauma managers fit in to NASEMSO.

Standing Committee Highlights

- **Air Medical** – Greg Brown reported that they continue to work feverishly on the document that outlines information for states that apply to rule-making. They are having a working session this Wednesday.
- **Communications and Technology**- Paul Patrick reported that Kevin McGinnis and Vicki Lee will deliver a presentation about FirstNet tomorrow. A telemedicine survey is being conducted as well as one on communications.

- **Domestic Preparedness-** Joe Schmider reported that the DP funding survey will be held until early next year.
- **Government Information-** Jim DeTienne mentioned that they are organizing advocacy tools including guidance documents.
- **HITS** – Donnie Woodyard indicated that the group is mainly sharing information, April 28 ground ambulance crash webinar, June 2 ITS meeting and emergency responders day. Thanks to Dia and Mary for helping to collect comments on EVOG.
- **Rural EMS-** Kevin McGinnis shared that the Joint Committee on Rural Emergency Care will conduct a meeting in Cheyenne in early May. There are currently over 150 registrants. The Rural EMS Committee meets Wednesday morning and will discuss the Rural and Frontier EMS Agenda recommendations made 10 years ago.

Ad Hoc Committee Reports

- **Agency & Vehicle Licensure** – Dia shared that GSA is extending the lifespan of the KKK specs through 2016. Change order #8 is on the street. If it is adopted as written, new cot retention, litter systems and equipment mounting will apply. Over 200 comments were received on CAAS's Ground Vehicle Standards 2015.
- **Mobile Integrated Health/Community Paramedicine Committee** – Jim noted that the draft survey results will be shared this week to help states determine direction in this area. They have begun compiling a clearinghouse of resources with JNEMSLF. They are reaching consensus that MIH and CP have different definitions.

Regional Reports

- **East** – (no report)
- **West** – (no report)
- **North Central** – (no report)
- **South Central** – Alisa Williams (MS) reported they elected Donnie Woodyard (LA) as their alternate rep. An in-person regional meeting is planned for Memphis in June.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 5:30 PM CT.

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

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