

NASEMSO Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, November 13, 2014
Meeting Record

Present

Chris Bell (VT), East Region
Gary Brown (VA), Treasurer
Lee Burns (NY), East Alt.
Jim DeTienne (MT), Immediate Past
President
Joe Ferrell (IA), EPSC
Andy Gienapp (WY), West Region
Fred Hornby (WI), EPSC Chair Elect
Paul Patrick (UT), President-elect
Carolina Roberts Santana, MD (RI), PECC
Chair Elect
Paul Sharpe (VA), Data Managers
Peter Taillac M.D. (UT) Medical Directors
Keith Wages (GA), President-elect
Aliysa Williams (MS), South Central
Region

Ken Williams, MD (RI), Medical Directors
Chair Elect
~~Sherry Sherri~~ Wren (NEMT), Trauma
Managers

Also Present

Helen Huitt for Greg Brown (AR), Air
Medical
Tom Nehring (ND), Rural EMS

Absent

Kyle Thornton (NM), Secretary (excused)

Staff Present

Rachael Alter, Program Manager
Beth Armstrong, Exec VP
Dia Gainor, Executive Director

Call to Order / Self-Introductions

President-elect Paul Patrick (UT) called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm and Beth Armstrong called roll; a quorum was present.

Secretary's Report

On behalf of Secretary Kyle Thornton (NM), Beth Armstrong presented the October 6, 2014 Meeting Record.

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

ACTION: Jim DeTienne moved, seconded by Joe Ferrell to approve the 2014 Annual Business Meeting as presented. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Gary Brown reported that 4-months total income as of October 31, 2014 is \$560,225 and expenses are \$609,063. The current fund balance is \$998,217.

Program Committee Report

Gary Brown reported that the Program Committee will resume its work November 18 to plan the Mid-Year Meeting in San Antonio in April 2015.

Executive Director's Report

- **Joint National EMS Leadership Forum** – Dia Gainor reported that there was uncharacteristically low turnout for yesterday's in-person meeting in Nashville. They reviewed a draft letter for President Obama regarding EMS resource needs; the NASEMSO president will coordinate with the NAEMT president to finalize content, and the NASEMSO ~~Executive Board can expect a copy shortly for approval.~~ The Executive Committee can be utilized for a sign on decision in the absence of the majority of Board members voting.
- **Amicus Brief to the US Supreme Court** – Dia ~~reminded the Board that~~ shared the brief that NASEMSO signed on to ~~this brief~~ and contributed towards the effort of the NC Board of Dental Examiners versus the Federal Trade Commission to persuade the Supreme Court that state boards that regulate professionals should be considered state entities and not be subject to antitrust laws if the state board includes persons licensed in the capacity the board regulates.
- **NASEMSO Board Retreat** – Dia reported that the current Agenda for December 11-12 has been posted today, and logistics information has been circulated. Paul Patrick asked that each council and committee be prepared to report on the top three issues they are addressing, and also assure that a 2015 workplan is completed.
- **State Ebola Preparedness and Response** – Dia referred the group to a compendium of selected states' preparedness produced earlier this month. She shared that NASEMSO participates in weekly calls with CDC, ASTHO and other national officials. Earlier today, the CDC Medical Care Task Force requested NASEMSO's help with information retrieval from ten jurisdictions around the country as the Task Force endeavors to develop a PPE "estimator" for local EMS agency use.
- **Senate Appropriations Ebola Testimony** – Mary Hedges helped produce testimony for NASEMSO to submit for a September 10 hearing, which is an attachment to the Board agenda.

Action Items

- **NASEMSO Bylaws Amendments** – Paul Patrick proposed that the Immediate Past President be added to the Executive Committee when the bylaws are amended during the 2015 Mid-Year Meeting.
- **NASEMSO Executive Committee Member-at-Large Selection** – Paul Patrick proposed that Jim DeTienne (MT) serve as the Member-at-Large until the bylaws are amended to add the seat for Immediate Past President; once that occurs, another Member-at-Large should be chosen from among the Board members.

ACTION: Keith Wages moved, seconded by Joe Ferrell to support the bylaws changes in April 2015, and to install Jim DeTienne as the Member-at-Large until then. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

- **AAP Draft Policies: Ensuring the Health of Children in Disasters & Management of Pediatric Trauma** – Rachael Alter ~~Chris Bell~~ reported that NASEMSO is asked to provide comments on the updated policy. Chris Bell indicated

[that he has reviewed the Children in Disasters document and only has a few minor comments for revision. Dr. Carol Cunningham provided input on the Pediatric Trauma policy.](#)

ACTION: Chris Bell moved, seconded by Gary Brown to approve the comments compiled by the NASEMSO medical directors and [EMSC coordinators Domestic Preparedness Committee](#). The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Standing Committee Highlights

- **Air Medical** – Helen Huitt reported on behalf of Gary Brown and Kathy Robinson. They are working on a work plan to be presented in December.
- **Communications & Technology** – Paul Patrick reported that he and Kevin McGinnis are currently in San Antonio for a FirstNet meeting.
- **Domestic Preparedness** – (nothing in addition to previous Ebola discussion).
- **Government Information** – (no report).
- **HITS** – Keith Wages noted that they had a great meeting in Cleveland with a high level of interaction.
- **Rural EMS** – Tom Nehring reported that a “Save the Meeting Date” brochure will be issued soon for the Rural EMS Leadership Meeting May 5-6, 2015 in Cheyenne, WY.

Ad Hoc Committee Reports

- **Agency & Vehicle Licensure** – Dia Gainor reported for Michael Berg that they [met in October and](#) will finalize their work plan next week.
- **Mobile Integrated Health / Community Paramedicine** – Jim DeTienne noted that there has been discussion about development of performance measures for MIH/CP; this must be coordinated with NASEMSO’s performance measures project.
- **Specialty Certification** – (no report)

Regional Reports

- **East** – Chris Bell shared they met a few weeks ago and discussion focused on Ebola.
- **West** – Andy Gienapp made a brief report, noting that they are currently recruiting a regional Alternate.
- **South Central** – (no report)
- **North Central** – (no report)

Council Highlights

- **Data Managers** – (no report)
- **Education & Professional Standards** – Joe Ferrell reported that the Steering Committee meets next week.
- **Medical Directors** – Dr. Peter Taillac reported that 12 medical directors joined their call on November 3. They discussed the National Fire Coordinating Group and “Limited Requests for Recognition” forms. Dia shared that [she has asked NREMT Executive Director Tre Rodriguez for a specific policy statement warning](#) against [this-the use of a NREMT certification in lieu of state licensure](#). Peter reported on additional topics they are currently addressing.

- **Pediatric Emergency Care** – Carolina Roberts--Santana reported that Kathryn Hert is on maternity leave so she is Acting Chair; PEC Council met October 14. They focused on the recently approved resolution on crash-testing standards for transport of children, and on a checklist provided by Dave Edwards.
- **Trauma Managers** – Sherriy Wren noted that their executive as well as their strategic planning committee met and they are focusing on collaboration with key partners, to invite them to the Mid-Year and Annual Meetings.

Federal Partner Update(s)

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

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 2:54 pm at the motion and second of Lee Burns and Gary Brown respectively, with unanimous support.

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

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