



NAEMS Council Meeting Minutes
August 13, 2021
1201-1257
Zoom Only

Board of Directors

Peter Como
Brian Smith
Vince Martinez
Doug Niemynski
Chris Thompson
Ed Mezulis
Shawn Bowker
Debbie Verkyk
Sean James
Conrad Loney
David Taggart
David Guth

Members

Dewayne Woodie
Garrett Stallings
Rebecca Brasher
Lennix Peshlakai
Schelly Lindsey (A)

Admin

Teresa Salama

Guests

Joyce Hospodar

ADHS Staff

Rachel Zenuk Garcia
Dewey Anderson

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1201 by Peter Como.
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - A. A motion was made and seconded to approve the May 7, 2021 Council meeting minutes. Motion carried with an amendment to allow 7 days for any missing names on the roster to be added.
- III. Membership Report- There is an open position for primary director for VVAC as a result of Kim Moore's retirement. A motion was made and seconded for Dave Guth to assume the position. Motion carried.
- IV. Treasurer's Report- Business savings- \$20,311.00, Business checking-\$11,347.00, Membership checking- \$31,764.00, Restricted fund- \$40,247.00, Conference fund- \$24,816.00. Brian asked questions concerning the amount of funds in the Membership checking and moving funds to cover provider grants at the end of the year and the amount in the COVID fund. Further research will need to be done to look at the COVID fund. A motion was made and seconded to accept the report. Motion carried.
- V. Old Business
 - A. Budget Update 20/21- \$35,788.00 spent in administration, \$80,502.00 spent in Education/Aid to Organizations for a total of \$116,290.00 for the fiscal year.
 - B. COVID19 Grant- \$23,039 remaining.
 - C. AZ-PIERS- Brian reiterated the virtues of submitting data to AZ-PIERS.

- VI. New Business
 - A. EMS2021 Honor Health Foundation Presentation- None
 - B. Treasurer Position- Discussion occurred about holding an election for the rest of the term for the position which would have to be done again in February when it is officially complete. It was decided to wait until the term was up and Ed would continue to act as the interim treasurer.
 - C. ADHS BEMSTS Contract Amendment- An amendment was received for EMS-C funding provided for this year. One of the main deliverables will be to conduct a regional needs assessment for pediatric training/education.
 - D. Funding Requests- A motion was made and seconded to approve \$1000.00 to Central Arizona Fire and Medical Authority for a paramedic program completion. Motion carried.
 - E. Conference Committee Report
 - 1. Discussion ensued on having the conference in-person, if at all possible. Teresa to check with Little America on backing out if there is a significant COVID outbreak at the time.
 - F. Trauma Report- Shawn Bowker
 - 1. Flagstaff Medical Center has received re-designation as a state Level I trauma center.
 - 2. Flagstaff Medical Center has some PPE (Tyvek suits, gloves) to give away . If interested please contact Shawn Bowker.
 - 3. There are two open positions on STAB, one for AFDA representative and one for a Federal Indian Health Service Organization.
 - 4. The workgroup preparing the document on the current state of blood use in the field presented it to STAB, which accepted the document.
 - 5. There was a presentation by Dr. Paul Dabrowski presented information on the use of whole blood in trauma.
 - 6. The grant that FMC received for Stop the Bleed classes ends in November. If interested in having the program at your agency contact Shawn Bowker.
- VII. Chair Report- None
- VIII. Other Business- Vince Martinez
 - A. Vince noted there have been changes going into effect for travel on the 2nd floor near the STICU at FMC. This will impact ambulances bringing interfacility transfers to the second floor.
- IX. State Report- Rachel Zenuk Garcia
 - A. Rule revisions for air and ground ambulance continues. Air rules will be moving into the formal rulemaking process.
 - B. The Department has revised the substantive policy on EMCT's working in hospitals. The revised policy is available on the BEMSTS website.
 - C. Naloxone Leave Behind Program- A training powerpoint has been developed along with a standing order and are available on the BEMSTS website.
 - D. Annual reports will be available soon for Trauma and EMS and available at the BEMST website.
 - E. Scope of Practice Table 5.1 has been revised, effective August 9, 2021, and is available on the BEMSTS website.
- X. Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1257.