

SDEMSA Executive Council Meeting

July 26th, 2014

0900 hrs CDT Pierre Fire Station

- 1.) President VanDusen called the meeting to order at 0907 hrs CDT.
- 2.) Roll Call
 - a. State Officers: Pres Eric Van Dusen, VPres Gary Lembcke, Sec Jennifer Monsen, Treas Margaret Kuipers, Training Officer Katheryn Benton.
 - b. Dist EC members: Dist I Pres – Mark Law, Dist I VPres Bill Rise, Dist II Pres Tom Lines, Dist II VPres Barb Thaler, Dist III Pres Doug Glover, Dist III VPres – Lydia Ymker, Dist IV Pres Chuck Bell, Dist IV VPres Keith Sharisky, Dist V Pres Scott Larson, Dist V VPres Edna Dale, Dist VI Pres Andy Binder, Dist VI VPres Matt Thompson, Dist VII Pres Gary Tommeraasen, Dist VII VPres Chuck Hanson, IC Society rep Margaret Farrell as proxy for Kathryn Benton, IC Society VPres Ruth Airheart
 - c. Office of EMS – Marilyn Rutz, Kristi Turman
 - d. Guests: Vickie Schrenk, Mary Lines, Corolla Lauck, Danny Hayes, Sina Glover
- 3.) Approval/Additions of Agenda
 - a. Add 5-c – OEMS hardship
 - b. Add 5-d – SDEMSC – Corolla Lauck
 - c. Add 8-a – Memorial Service music gift
 - d. Add 10-e – On-line class report
 - e. Add 10-f – EC shirts
 - f. Add 11-b – Storage unit rental
 - g. Add 12 – and IC Society report
 - h. Motion by Tom to accept the agenda with additions noted, 2nd by Keith. MC (01-07-14)
- 4.) Approval of previous meeting minutes
 - a. Correction to Roll Call Noted. Dist IV President should have listed Dale Riggerberg as proxy for Chuck Bell.
 - b. Motion by Keith to approve the meeting minutes with the correction noted, 2nd by Gary. MC (02-07-14)

Officers Report

- 5.) Presidents Report
 - a. National Traffic Incident Program
 - i. Eric and Katheryn completed the train the trainer program and are working with OEMS to be able to provide to others.
 - ii. Key points – Scene management discussion was presented from DOT perspective. The question becomes “How do you clear the scene to keep traffic moving?” Might not be as critical in rural areas, but what about Sioux Falls, Rapid City, and high traffic roads.
 - b. Voting on Awards
 - i. During Eric’s attendance to outside meetings and such, he discussed how other states determine awards selection. Kansas approaches other state association presidents to review award submissions and select a winner. Gary is going to review Policy and Procedure with the District VP’s and make a recommendation

- c. OEMS hardship
 - i. Marilyn & Kristi discussed the increasing number of hardship requests in the state. More and more agencies are not able to increase their EMT numbers enough to be able to operate without hardship. Of the 123 services in the state, 90 of them meet the criteria to be considered, 25 of them are actually operating under hardship.
 - ii. OEMS is looking for suggestions and examples for services to find a way to get out of hardship. Is there a better hardship approval and renewal process than the current one?
 - iii. A couple of examples were presented – in one area, a survey indicated that people would be willing to pay more in taxes to support the ambulance than to become an EMT themselves. Another community focused their public relations on the younger generation because in that community the Ambulance Service was viewed as a group of only older people.
 - iv. The Ambulance Leadership Association as identified this as that organizations #1 topic and issue.
 - v. Marilyn and Kristi are asking for everyone to provide feedback and suggestions that they can use to improve this process.
- d. SDEMSC – Corolla Lauck
 - i. Corolla is focusing on the PALS/PPEP classes and has identified the opportunity to completed 5 ALS and 14 BLS between now and through the end of 2015. Focus is to move to a regional format. There will be a BLS PPEP at pre-conference. This can also be used as a mini-conference class. Currently scheduled ALS class Nov 21/22 in Sioux Falls as a PPEP/PALS combo class. Make sure you reach out to Corolla with requests and any questions.
 - e. Eric expressed his thanks to the Association and the EMTs across the state for the kindness, support, and prayers during his recovery from his accident.

6.) Vice Presidents Report

- a. EMT Thoughts – The cost increase will take effect January 1, 2015. There is no cost to submit an article, picture or any information to be published. Send it to Gary. Reminder that the deadline is the 10th for the following month's publishing.
- b. Policy and Procedure Manual and Constitution and By-Laws were reviewed by the Vice Presidents. There are 16 changes that are being recommended.

President Van Dusen declared a recess at 1030 hrs to attend the Memorial Service at the Capitol Grounds.

The meeting was resumed by President Van Dusen at 1300 hrs.

2019 Conference Bids were accepted for review.

- Dist I – no bid
- Dist II – no bid
- Dist III – no bid
- Dist IV – yes – Aberdeen
- Dist V – yes – Pierre
- Dist VI – yes – Rapid City
- Dist VII – no bid

After the bid presentations and discussion, a vote was taken by ballot. Results: Aberdeen – 9, Pierre – 8, Rapid City - 3
Aberdeen was awarded the 2019 bid.

7.) Treasurer's Report

- a. Financial Report-Annual/Quarterly – Reports were provided to all EC members.
 - i. Total Bank Accounts - \$16,307.79
 - ii. Education Fund – income this quarter of \$2,568.15
 - iii. Business Assets - \$9,284.28
 - iv. Investment Account - \$36,525.77
 - v. Membership: 1 honorary, 200 introductory, 966 paid, 36 lifetime for a total of 1203 members.
- b. Submission of Bills
 - i. Motion by Tom to pay bills, 2nd by Keith. MC (03-07-14)
- c. Wild Apricot Computer Program Update
 - i. Every Dist President has access to run reports and search memberships. It was found that the system doesn't allow two individuals to have the same email address. If you are sending in a group of membership dues, please send an excel file with Name, mailing address, email, and EMT# and this can be easily uploaded directly into the program.
- d. A thank you was received from the Frank Family for the donation and support. The money received is being used toward the purchase of a memorial display.
- e. At this time, a check for the donations from EMT's across the state was presented to Eric Van Dusen to help defray medical costs from his accident. A spur of the moment challenge was presented to the meeting attendees and additional funds were added to the presentation.

8.) Secretaries Report

- a. Memorial Service Music Gift
 - i. Motion by Katheryn, 2nd by Barb to provide a gift of \$50 to each of the 2 young men that provided the beautiful music at the Memorial Service. MC (04-07-14) Jennifer passed around thank you cards and will distribute the gift to the young men.
 - ii. We discussed the use of the Pipe & Drum corp and the need to request them a year in advance to allow for work scheduling in advance. Jennifer and Katheryn to work on this.

9.) Training Officer's Report

- a. District Training Officers Report – There is limited communication from some districts. Please encourage your training officers to send information to Katheryn for publication.
- b. The District Training Officers met on Friday evening.
- c. NAEMT Conference is in Nashville – Nov 12-14, 2014. If you are interested, please contact Katheryn. 2015 will be in Vegas.

10.) Old Business

- a. 2015 conference update
 - i. Margaret Farrell & Katheryn Benton – National Speaker is booked. There is a mobile cadaver lab that can be contracted for hands-on opportunity. The cost is \$45,000 for 3 days. There is opportunity for corporate sponsorship from Boundtree, ITClamp, and other intubation companies. This could be partially sponsored and partially charged a

fee to the students. If you would charge \$50/hr, you could generate \$30,000 over 3 days. Each class is limited to 25 students and they can be 4hr or 2hr sessions. Aberdeen and Brookings colleges have cadaver labs that you may be able to coordinate with, but they do not always have availability.

- ii. Motion by Keith to support fundraising to pay for cost to bring to 2015 conference, 2nd by Scott. MC (05-07-14)

b. 2014 conference update

- i. District II – presented budget for review. Request that
- ii. Motion by Tom to set conference fee at \$150 to include one banquet ticket but would not include membership, 2nd by Barb. After discussion, MC. (06-07-14)
- iii. Vendor area will be open 5-8pm on Thursday evening. Registration is also open during this time.
- iv. Motion by Keith, to have SDEMSEA make a \$3500 donation to 2014 conference to support the free box lunch on Friday during conference, 2nd by Matt. MC (07-07-14)
- v. EC scavenger Hunt was discussed. Motion by Katheryn to have SDEMSEA purchase one pin for each participant for Conference scavenger hunt, 2nd by Keith. MC (08-07-14)

c. Public Safety Service Proposal review for future contract

- i. Eric will be contacting them for a proposal

d. Grimes family on-line donation update

- i. \$400 was raised and will be mailed to Grimes family with a simple note as to why we are sending this donation and that it came from EMTs across the state.

e. On-line Class Report

- i. Keith provided a written update and noted that the actual cost per student for the class was \$550 after course completion.
- ii. Motion by Chuck H. to continue on-line program for 1 year, 2nd by Tom L. MC (09-07-14)
Keith has agreed to coordinate for 1 additional year.

f. EC shirts

- i. Amy negotiated a great price on the new shirts. Shirts were handed out to EC members.

11.) New Business

a. Proposal for EMT Conference 2018 by hosting cities at 1300

- i. Completed at 1300 – see above notes

b. Storage Unit Rental

- i. Gary discussed the storage unit that the SDEMSEA has in Pierre. It was suggested to have the storage unit location determined by the State VP. Motion by Margaret F. to move the storage rental to VP location choice, 2nd by Keith. MC (10-07-14)

c. Request to use SDEMSEA logo

- i. Screening America has requested to use the SDEMSEA logo on their advertisement for heart screening. Screening America is a for-profit organization and allowing this would open up requests from other companies. Motion by Margaret F. to not allow use of our logo in Screening America advertising, 2nd by Keith. MC (11-07-14) Jennifer to notify them.

d. Lifetime Membership

- i. Motion by Margaret K. to accept nomination for Barb Thaler, 2nd by Gary L. MC (12-07-14)
 - ii. Motion by Tom to accept nomination for Dale Riggerberg, 2nd by Chuck B. MC (13-07-14)
 - e. Membership Dues
 - i. Gary motion to increase membership dues to \$30 per year, 2nd by Barb.
 - 1. Discussion – 1/3 of the dues is returned to the District, EMT Thoughts increase is \$2 per member, last increase was 2009, FF Association just raised dues to \$25.
 - ii. MC (14-07-14)
- 12.) District Reports, IC Society, OEMS
- a. Dist I – training complete on June 2nd included documentation and other topics
 - b. Dist II – graduated and AEMT class, next gathering will be annual banquet on Aug 23rd in Canton.
 - c. Dist III – introduction of new Vice Pres, Lydia Ymker. Working on training in Armour.
 - d. Dist IV – 24 hr Refresher evals reviewed and being used to plan 2015. Mtg July 20th at Spink Co.
 - e. Dist V – mtg on June 9th in Winner – all dist officers were present. Training was EMS Jeopardy. Next meeting Sept 6th @1pm in Murdo.
 - f. Dist VI – Rally prep underway, 2015 mini-conference in March.
 - g. Dist VII – EMT class completed – another EMT class is being planned. Next meeting TBD.
 - h. IC Society: I/C course September 26, 27, 28 in Chamberlain. Working on guidelines to grandfather I/C people without taking test.
 - i. Seat belt survey went well, checks for workers to go out next week.
 - ii. I/C Instructor of the Year must be paid I/C Society Member – this membership is separate from SDEMSEA membership.
 - i. OEMS – see earlier President Report notes. No additional updates.
- 13.) Adjourn
- a. Motion by Tom to adjourn, 2nd by Gary. MC (15-07-14)

Next meeting:

2014 Conference – Sioux Falls

Thursday, October 23rd, 1900 hrs

Meeting Room Location TBD

Respectfully submitted

Jennifer Monsen

State Secretary, SDEMSEA