

SDEMSA Executive Council Meeting
January 22, 2022 @ 10 AM
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1. Call the meeting to order: 10:07
2. Roll Call/Introductions
 - A. State President: Brian Ring
 - B. State VP: Amy Marsh
 - C. State Secretary: Sina Glover
 - D. Treasurer: Casey Huffman
 - E. Training Officer: Doug Glover
 - F. District 1: President Cody Doren VP Sheila Monnier
 - G. District 2: President Alan Perry VP Feyet Munshikpu
 - H. District 3: President Nicole Neugebauer VP Kathryn Benton--absent
 - I. District 4: President Wayne Ames VP Chad Madsen
 - J. District 5: President Edna Dale VP Kevin Heath—Proxy Scott Larson
 - K. District 6: President Elizabeth Verhey--absent VP Ruth Airheart
 - L. District 7: President Ashia Starks VP Aubriauna Diaz
 - M. IC Society: President Kathryn Benton--absent VP Ruth Airheart
3. Approval/Additions of Agenda: Motion to approve: Doug Glover, 2nd Scott Larson, motion carried.
4. Approval of previous meeting minutes: Motion to approve: Cody Doran, 2nd by Sheila Monnier.

Officers Report

5. Presidents Report:

A. Governor’s funding proposals: The Governor has 3 funding proposals that would be in our interest. We are encouraged to look into them and reach out to our representatives to advise them of the importance of them. They are:

* Governor’s budget is proposing purchasing new 12-lead monitors for all the ambulance services. They would be the latest models and would be warrantied.

* Telehealth equipment for ambulance services. This would have the set-up in the rigs that would allow us to contact a hospital or doctor online.

* Conducting a regional study. Details were not clear as to what all that would entail. Marty in the EMS office requests that we keep an open mind if this proposal goes through. It is being designed to help find out where the system has holes at and how to address them. It is not intended to be a takeover strategy.

- B. Blue cell triage training: Marty Link is putting a proposal together to provide triage training for everybody and they are supposed to be getting us money for that but Brian has not seen any contracts regarding this as of yet. Ideally it would be nice to incorporate into the district refreshers but the timing may play a role in this. There will be funding available for instructors of those classes. It is about a 4-hour training based on the information received so far. This would be a \$3,500 boost for the association. Amy Marsh explained that Blue Cell is an organization that the state has worked with for quite a few ICS trainings, so they are going to be offering other training besides the triage so they will ask for us to promote ICS 300, ICS 400, etc. There will be a bunch of classes that Blue Cell will be putting on. They don't offer triage specifically but we, within our districts, can help by finding and working with and do a train-the-trainer in each district to get that person some materials to do triage training in their district. Part of it would just be helping them promote that there are all of these ICS programs that are going to be available in different areas and then we would specifically do the triage training. Sheila Monnier added that on the Emergency Management side of it, they use the Blue Cell with the ICS classes. They have also set up table top exercises for them and do a really good job of education. Sheila highly recommends them.
- C. EMS day at the Capitol is Feb. 14, 2022. Anyone who can attend is encouraged to do so and let our voices be heard.

6. Vice Presidents Report:

- A. EMT Thoughts: Articles due by 10th of the month. Any training, pictures, etc can go into the Thoughts. Send stuff in as you get it so you don't forget. A challenge to all is to help us build a stock pile of articles to choose from each month instead of scaping up articles to try and fill our section.
- B. By-Law Changes/ Policy and Procedure: Amy hopes to set up a meeting of the VPs in the next 60 days. Would like to assign out different sections of the Bylaws to each of the District VPs to try and correlate between the Bylaws and Policy and Procedures so that we can avoid another situation like we had in October where the 2 books have different verbiage and meaning for the same situation. The goal is to group and define it out between the By-Laws and Policy & Procedure books. Amy encourages the rest of the EC to advise of any needs or thoughts that should be added in to these manuals so that when the VPs meet in July it can be addressed.

7. Treasurer's Report:

- A. Financial Report-Annual/Quarterly: Total Bank Accounts \$46,656.56, Investment Account \$55,953.58. Members 835 Regular, 2 Honorary, 57 Lifetime for a total membership of 894.
- B. Conference Report: Not submitted yet.

- C. Approval of financial report: Motion to approve Treasurer's report by Scott Larson motion/2nd by Sina Glover. Motion carried.
8. Secretaries Report:
- A. Officer Agreements- Please get those in if you still need to. Sina will notify districts of any needed.
9. Training Officer's Report:
- A. District Training Officers Report: No reports received currently.
 - B. Upcoming Events: With several requests for refresher classes, Doug Glover has compiled a list of the District Refreshers that he knows of. At this time there are a couple in District 1, 1 in District 2, 1 in District 3, 1 in District 4, a couple in District 6, and 1 in District 7. If there are any other ones out there, please let Doug know so he can continue to compile a list and get the information out to people when asked about it so they have options.
 - C. Conference Speakers: Working on contacting speakers and hopes to have them nailed down within a month.
 - D. Other: Doug hopes to start visiting all the districts and helping them with trainings. Send him any meetings you have and he'll try and make it.
10. I.C. Society Report: Ruth Airheart reports there are a few people finishing up the current online class that was open. The plan is to finish this group out and then reopen a new class this Spring.
11. NAEMT – State Advocacy Coordinator: Brian received an email from Melissa with NAEMT who advised that with Eric moving on they need to fill his position. They are looking for nominations. Any NAEMTA members in the state are eligible. The roles and responsibility include:
- A. Conducting outreach to NAEMT members in the state to encourage and support member participation in national EMS advocacy efforts
 - B. Updating members on the status of pending national legislation and regulation
 - C. Coordinating visits to the district offices of the state's U.S. Senators and House Representatives to educate congressional leaders and staff about the issues that affect delivery of EMS to communities within the state
 - D. Building relations with the state EMS office and state EMS association(s)
 - E. Coordinating state involvement in national advocacy campaigns

Brian will send the roles and responsibilities out to the district presidents so they can consider people to nominate. It was not mentioned if there is a deadline. Edna suggested/nominated Doug Glover due to the fact that he has been involved long enough and if familiar with our operations and he kept up with Eric's reports on that. Doug did say he would be willing to step in and do that. He feels that with everything he is going to be starting to do with the NAEMT he feels that would be a good fit. Brian will wait and see if there are any other nominations before moving forward.

12. SDAA Report: SDAA Conference coming up on Feb 11. They are having a CADS course and a Leadership class both of which are all day courses so one or the other must be picked. Feb 12 will have the Medicare Cost Reporting presentation. For more details see the SDAA website.

13. Old Business:

- A. Conference Update- Districts 3 & 5: Have had good reports so far. More details to come. Amy mentioned that District 3 & 5 need to be paid for the conference and that is not able to be done until the final financial statements are approved. District 2 cannot use that account until this happens and bills for 2022 Conference are starting to come in.
- B. Hours certificates from past conference: Amy compiled the online stuff to submit what we did. Because we did not use EMS Scan this year, there isn't a way to print a certificate like we have in the past. All of the hours for BLS providers were entered in manually in the system. For the ALS providers, Amy has to take the state system day by day and create an attendance report for the days because of the way it had to be set up. All ALS classes have one course number and then that course number has the list of attendance. So ALS hours are in progress. BLS hours are in the State website. Amy says if anyone is needing their hours to email her. Next year's conference will be utilizing EMS Scan since it's already paid for.

14. New Business

- A. Strategic planning – Strategic Planning meeting was originally planned for the last weekend April 29, 30, May 1. Chris Way notified Amy that this will not work for him as he has another commitment. The possible reschedule dates would be April 8, 9, 10 or May 13, 14, 15. The AmericInn in Ft. Pierre is available for either weekend. Once dates are set, Amy will send out a note mid-February for any specific items this group would like to get accomplished. We have a set list of what we want to get done, but if there are other things we want to get accomplished then we can add them. Approximately the first of March each member will receive a survey in the format of Survey Monkey that will be an extensive survey. You will have 2 weeks to complete it as an individual. This gives you time to discuss it with your districts. We also need to look at the attendance list. Are there any other people such as the EMS Office or the Ambulance Association that we'd like to invite participate for networking possibilities. Suggested that we send an invite to one representative for each association so that we know what they do and what we do so that we don't overlap. It was determined that an invitation would be sent to Then we will meet on Friday of the chosen weekend and start planning. Nicole made motion to select April 8, 9, 10 for the chosen weekend for Strategic Planning, Doug Glover 2nd. Motion carried after discussion. We will also take care of regular EC business that weekend as well. Nicole made motion to move the Memorial Service to July EC meeting at 0830 as the April meeting will be pretty full. Cody Doran 2nd. Motion carried after discussion. With the SP meeting coming up fast Amy would like some direction for attendance so she gets surveys and invites to the right people. We have 5 EC position, 14 EC council, 2 from each district, and the IC society. Discussed whether to extend invitations to Office of EMS or Ambulance Association. She wants to get the calendar invites out so that it is on everyone's

calendar and then get the invites done. Casey believes it would be a great idea to send 1 representative from each association an invite so we are each familiar with how the other operates and we avoid overlapping. Brian feels it would be a lot better for the process if we had someone from each organization but wanted to clarify that it is a participation invitation and that the SDEMSEA is not paying them to come. Amy confirmed that it would be a participation invitation and she will add OEMS and SDAA to the invitation list. Discussed if there was anyone else we need to include. Casey brought up maybe the training officers or other district officers as she felt it would be beneficial for them to know what is going on as well; however doesn't know if this is the part to bring them in or if this would be discussed at a Training Officers meeting. After further discussion of possibilities and discussion of what the Bylaws and Policy and Procedures state for protocols of mileage and reimbursement, as well as the size of of the meeting for this first stage it was was determined we'd keep it at the 5 State officers and 2 members from each district and the district will decide who comes to the meeting. Amy also suggested adding Maynard Konechne as he has been our lobbyist for many years and has had his ear to the legislation and feels this would be a benefit to have him there. Brian agreed. Wayne confirmed that the Association would be paying for a Friday night stay and a Saturday night stay. Amy confirmed that with everyone staying at the same hotel she would like to do one big direct bill.

B. Discuss ways to connect volunteers with services: Right after the conference, Brian did an interview with KELO for volunteers needed. A person called Brian and asked how to find out who needed help and how to get ahold of them. He currently wasn't an EMT but wanted to find out more information on becoming one. This made Brian think about the questions this person was asking and he couldn't think of a place where a person could go to look up where a class is or what services needed help. Nicole also has had this happen and agrees this needs to be addressed. Amy thinks this is a great point and believes this kind of information could be on our website such as what is an EMT, what does it entail, where can you get a class, etc. With this idea, comes the realization that our website needs an overhaul. This is something the EC needs to start discussing and we can do marketing through this. This may be something we bring into the Strategic Plan.

C. Legislative- Maynard

- i. Joint council—Jan 7th meeting in Pierre discussed topics that would be coming through the legislature from all the organization that belongs to the Joint Council. Maynard submitted the bill for the EMSA dues for the Joint Council to Casey.
- ii. EMS day 2022—Monday February 14. Committee meetings are usually at 0730 and 1000. Possible picture with the governor if she will be around. Session starts at 1400 and then our social will be at the Ramkota from 1730 and will be pizza and ice cream. This is sponsored by SDEMSEA, SDAA, and the IC Society.
- iii. Upcoming legislation and updates:

2022 Legislative bills 1-22

No bill numbers a part of the Department of Health budget proposals:
Lifepak replacement for all ambulances: \$11,610,222
EMS Regional Service Designation: \$7,740,000 (\$240,000 to conduct a pre-hospital analysis to identify regional service areas) and (\$7,500,000 grants to regional areas for modeling, community engagement, and workforce development.)

EMS Telehealth Service: \$1,737,500 (would include purchase of technology with Wi-Fi, implementation and training of personnel, unlimited data for video on devices, and telehealth service subscription.)

HB 1016: An Act to make an appropriation for costs related to disasters in the state and to declare an emergency. (\$2,946,882) This is an annual ask.

1-12 Referred to House Appropriations

HB 1017: An Act to make an appropriation for costs related to suppression of wildfires in the state and to declare an emergency. (\$1,059,318) This is to backfill the account.

1-12 referred to House Appropriations

HB 1027: An Act to place certain substances on the controlled substances schedule and to declare an emergency. (This started out as a couple pages and is now 17 pages long.)

1-12 Referred to House Health and Human Services

1-18 Scheduled for Hearing Room 412 10:00 Do Pass 9-3

1-19 House Do Pass 57-8

1-20 Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

HB 1030: An Act to make an appropriation to reimburse certain health care professionals who have complied with the requirements for certain health care recruitment assistance programs and to declare an emergency. (\$740,265 for three family physicians, five physician assistants, and four nurse practitioners who will work in rural areas.)

1-12 Referred to House Health and Human Services

1-18 Scheduled for Hearing Room 412 10:00

Amended to from five to four physicians, \$690,150 from \$740,265, and \$240,339 from general fund for eligible health care practitioners
Do Pass 12-0

1-19 Referred to House Appropriations

SB 34: An Act to make an appropriation for the enhancement and improvement of state radio infrastructure and to declare an emergency. (\$750,000 for improvement of state radio infrastructure near Redfield and White River.)

1-12 Referred to Joint Appropriations

SB: 51 An Act to make an appropriation to support firefighter training equipment and recruitment efforts in the state, and to declare an emergency. (\$2,000,000 for two mobile burn trailers, construction of a fire tower and burn tower, and statewide volunteer firefighter recruitment campaign.)

1-12 Referred to Joint Appropriations

SB 93: An Act to revise certain provisions related to the use of epinephrine and supraglottic airway devices by ambulance services.

1-21 Referred to Senate Health and Human Services

- d. Wild Apricot: Casey is the one that manages Wild Apricot. When they are entered into WA, Casey is the one in charge of entering and updating memberships. If there is someone not getting their emails, let Casey know and she'll look into it. Just as Casey doesn't know if someone is not getting information sent out, the person doesn't know they aren't getting it because they aren't getting it....so what can be done to address this. How can we get back on track and get Wild Apricot updated? This is a topic that will most likely be addressed during the Strategic Planning meeting. It was discussed that there are a lot of aspects to Wild Apricot that we need to review and update. There are also a lot of More will be discussed in April.

15. District reports:

- A. District 1: Refresher in Elkton in March, Deuel County is hosting Sanford's free EMT class for practical portion with approximately 20 people registered. Had good turnout for SIMS class.
- B. District 2: Refresher Feb 4-6 at Baltic, EMT class finishing up this month, AEMT that is finishing up as well, and conference 2022.
- C. District 3: Feb 26 District meeting and training in Springfield, Sanford host site for the EMT class and the high school in Armour. This starts on Tuesday.
- D. District 4: EMT class starting in Miller, EMT class in Huron, District conference Feb 18-19-20 in Aberdeen. Teaming up with SDFFA in Milbank doing joint training, monthly webinar, teaching hands free & first aid to the Aberdeen Christian school. Christian Ambulance Service is closing in December and Casey is on the task force to create a county or city ambulance district and will reach out to EC for assistance.
- E. District 5: March 19 in Onida working on full scale exercise, June 3, 4, 5 Refresher, July/August/September meeting will be in Winner, EMT classes in Highmore, Ft Pierre, Winner.
- F. District 6: Mini conference in Box Elder Feb 18, 19, 20; Spearfish & Sturgis has had their refreshers, Custer's refresher is the first 2 weekends in March, Refresher in Spearfish in March, EMR classes going on and EMT classes going on.
- G. District 7: Refresher in Mobridge Feb 25, 26, 27.

16. Adjourn: Doug Glover motion, Cody Doran 2nd 12:00 pm.

Upcoming meeting schedule:

Jan 22, 2022	GTM; 10:00 am CST
April 8, 9, 10, 2022	Pierre; Time TBA. Starting Friday pm.
July 22, 23, 2022	Pierre; Officer meetings Friday evening; Saturday Memorial service 0830 CST 0900 CST EC meeting.
Oct 28-30-22	Sioux Falls—Ramkota with EC meeting Thursday evening