



SDEMTA Executive Council Meeting

October 24th, 2013

Salon D (main ballroom) at 1930 hrs

1. President VanDusen called the meeting to order at 1933 hrs.
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 Rick Niles, Dist IV Pres Chuck Bell, Dist IV VPRES Dale Ringgenberg, Dist V Pres Scott Larson, Dist V VPRES Edna Dale, Dist VI Pres Andy Binder, Dist VI VPRES Matt Thompson, Dist VII Pres Gayle Klundt, Dist VII VPRES Chuck Hanson, IC Society rep Amy Marsh as proxy for Katheryn Benton, IC Society VPRES Ruth Airheart
 - c. Office of EMS, Marilyn Rutz, and other guests.
3. Approval/Additions of Agenda
 - a. Add 12-c - Political Bill Support Process, change 13 to Recess until Sunday morning.
 - b. Motion by Bill to accept the agenda with additions and corrects noted, 2nd by Doug. MC (01-10-13)
4. Approval of previous meeting minutes
 - a. Motion by Bill to approved the meeting minutes as published in the EMT Thoughts, 2nd by Andy. MC (02-10-13)

Officers Report

5. Presidents Report
 - a. Appointments
 - i. Chaplain - Kathy Chesney
 - ii. Parliamentarian – Barb Thaler
 - iii. EMT of the Year – announced at Banquet by the President
 - iv. Political Committee-Maynard K
 - v. Nomination Committee-Bill Rise & Chuck Bell
 - vi. Memorial Committee-TJ Sandborn, Nancy Klunder
 - vii. Joint Council – Gary Lembcke, Chuck Bell, Doug Glover
 - viii. Heartland Coalition – disbanded
 - ix. NCEMSC – Joe Schnell
 - b. EMS Expo report
 - i. Eric attended on behalf of the SDEMTA. He will be submitting expense report to Margaret. Tom Lines and Amy Marsh were also in attendance. It was an honor to be there when the NREMT of the year award was presented to Paul Scheuth from South Dakota.

- ii. Key takeaways: Ambulances are not seeing major changes at this time, vendors that will record conference to support on-line CE credits as a paid service, NAEMT Representative at our conference was also there. Additional discussion concerning faculty advisor to coordinate with NAEMT – State Training Officer is a representative.
 - iii. Amy participated in the Worth Trauma Symposium. This venue allows people from all over the world to discuss/debate various care practices and talk about the differences in world care. PHTLS will be seeing updates towards the end of 2014.
 - iv. Political representation to NAEMT – Andy Binder reported on the House Bill 809 and the response to Eric’s letter to Senator Thune. His office informed us that this is a House Bill and a letter should be forwarded to Representative Kristi Noem.
 - c. EMS Directors Group – Brian Hambeck update
 - i. The purpose of this group is to provide help to the Directors to be successful fulfilling their job responsibilities. Brian reported that they are currently developing a draft of the goals of the group and it is being reviewed. There is a link on the OEMS website for resources. Click on additional links on the right side of the page and then at the very bottom is a link called EMS Leadership group.
6. Vice Presidents Report
- a. EMT Thoughts – Guest Glen Sealy talked about the need to continue to work on advertising to support the cost of publishing. FF board also met to discuss the limited number of Ads. The question was asked for the cost of Ads. Gary will contact Jeff and provide the information. There was a change to paper quality as required by the USPS to allow continued delivery service. Everyone agrees that a shared paper has been a positive change. Suggestion to develop a bulletin board ad to list upcoming events – i.e. fundraisers, community support events, etc.
 - b. Elections – the voting schedule will be Friday during lunch and 1 hour after class and Saturday 1 hour before class. Voting will close prior to the Saturday district meetings to allow the Vice Presidents to attend their local meetings. The voting location to be announced on Friday morning. Offices up for election for term 2014-2015 are: Vice President, Treasurer, Training Officer. The Nomination committee will handle protocol.
 - c. By-Law Changes – Resolution to change name as presented to the EC at the July meeting. This must pass by a 2/3 margin of the people that vote.
 - d. Policy and Procedure – There are several changes recommended by the Vice Presidents. A vote of the general membership is not required.
7. Treasurer’s Report
- a. Financial Report-Annual/Quarterly – we ended the Fiscal Year with a net balance of \$4579.18. This brings our Total Bank Accounts to \$18,094.95. We ended the quarter with 966 total members (932 paid and 31 lifetime).
 - b. District Reports – All districts have used education money with the exception of Dist III which only used \$500. 2014 amount will be \$1000 per district.

- c. 2014 Budget was presented and will be presented to the general membership during Friday morning meeting.
 - d. Conference Report – Registration numbers have increased the past few days and the expectation is to have attendance in the 380 range which will support the conference budget. Final report should have positive outcome.
 - e. Motion by Amy to accept the Financial Report, 2nd by Tom. MC (03-10-13)
8. Secretaries Report
- a. Officer agreements – list of current officers/agreements was passed around along with blank copies of agreements to ensure that we have all agreements on file. Goal to have all signed agreements on file by January 2014 meeting.
 - b. Memorial Service was planned for Friday morning. As there was only one name received prior to conference, this was removed from the program and this person will be honored at 2014 conference.

At this time President VanDusen declared a 10 minute recess.

Legislative Report/Joint council information:

Joint council will meet on January 10th @ 1pm to discuss Lobbyist. Request for SDEMTA to continue to support the state Lobbyist. Motion by Gayle to have the SDEMTA continue to support the Lobbyist at the same rate as 2013, 2nd by Gary. MC (04-10-13)

Legislative Day in Pierre has been set for February 10th. We will again collaborate with the American Heart Association for the Legislator Social.

9. Training Officer's Report
- a. Scavenger Hunt Pins are ready. The clue cards will be handed out at the Friday opening session.
 - b. Future conference speakers – 3 speakers from previous conferences have contacted Katheryn and have offered a 3 for the price of 2 for 2014 conference.
 - c. I/C Update – current test team members and I/C members have been brought up to current procedures. This is the 1st step of the 5 year goal to only have certified I/C members teach a class in SD.
 - i. There will be an I/C class in Sioux Falls in November 2013.
 - ii. I/C Society agreed to purchase 8 sets of Spiderstraps for test days as the students are taught with Spider straps but they are not available at all test sites. Cost was approximately \$1000.
10. District Reports including IC and OEMS
- a. Dist 1 – New President, Mark Law. Refresher in Jan 2014 at Watertown Hospital.
 - b. Dist 2 – Hosting Conferernce 2014 – good progress so far, Elections were held and incumbents were re-elected, 24hr refresher Jan 24,25,26 at SE Tech.
 - c. Dist 3 – EMT class in Mitchell & Chamberlain beginning Jan 2014, refresher will again be in March and the last one in the Nation to obtain hours.
 - d. Dist 4 – New Training Officer, Vickie Shrenk – refresher with Dist VII Feb 28, Mar 1,2 2014.

- e. Dist 5 – Would like to thank Margaret Farrell personally for the great communication and prompt problem resolutions. Refresher w/Dist III the end of March.
- f. Dist 6 – Conference – new scanning system in use this weekend. Eric Thanked Dist VI for hosting conference. Andy acknowledged all those that stepped up to ensure that conference was a success. Mini-conference in Spearfish – Jan 2014.
- g. Dist 7 – low turnout to dist meetings is a concern, Advanced EMT class with 10 people in process in Mobridge, working with Dist IV on 24hr refresher again in 2014.
- h. OEMS – Marilyn – Update on MSTAT5 upgrade – 2Q14 is the new date for the change. Financially we cannot change companies at this stage of the program – the upgrade is more cost effective vs a complete new program provider.

11. Old Business

- a. SDEMTA/OEMS on-line EMT Class - Keith shared that the class had a 80% pass rate – this is excellent numbers for the inaugural program.
 - i. Chuck made a motion to start another on-line EMT class with a min of 10 students to start in Feb, 2nd Amy. No vote by Scott L. All others voted yes. MC (05-10-13)
 - ii. Chuck made a motion to change the start date to January 2014, 2nd by Scott L. MC (06-10-13)
- b. Public Safety Service – solicitation contract for education money. Our contract expires on September 2014. The contract sends 12% of the money collected to the SDEMTA. The general consensus is that this percentage is too low and if they wish to enter into a new contract they have to increase this amount. Eric will talk to them about negotiating different terms and report at the next meeting.
- c. Motion by Doug to approve the bills submitted. 2nd by Rick. MC (07-10-13)

12. New Business

- a. Conference Report(Margaret F) – update provided.
- b. New District Officers(Agreements) – process reviewed and agreements will be gathered.
- c. Political Bill Support Process – there was a discussion concerning the process of the Political Committee and the recommendations for which bills to support. Clarification was provided. Each District is to appoint a Political Representative that works with the Committee to understand the bills up for discussion. It is the responsibility of these representatives to communicate to the district officers and then take feedback to the Committee.
- d. Recess until Sunday morning.
 - i. Motion by Dale to recess until Sunday morning. 2nd Gayle. MC (08-10-13)
 - ii. Recess at 2208 hrs.

SDEMTA General Membership Annual Meeting
2013 Conference – Rapid City, SD
Friday, October 26th, 2013

1. Meeting called to order by President VanDusen at 837 hrs.
2. Roll Call
 - a. State Officers: Pres Eric Van Dusen, VPres Gary Lembcke, Sec Jennifer Monsen, Treas Margaret Kuipers, Training Officer Katheryn Benton.
 - b. General Membership
3. President's Report
 - a. Thank you to District VI for your efforts to put together a great conference.
4. Vice President's Report
 - a. EMT Thoughts update – reminder to send articles and photos by the 10th of the month. If you are not receiving the thoughts please stop at the SDEMTA booth and provide information for the team to research.
 - b. Elections – Vice President, Treasurer, Training Officer. Voting times and locations were provided.
 - c. By-laws – There is a resolution on the ballot to change the association name from the SDEMT to SDEMS to accommodate the new National EMT designations. The floor was opened for discussion for or against. TJ Sanborn took the floor and presented background on the history of the name of the association. He stated that other states have already changed their names and he supports this change.
 - d. Policy/Procedure Updates were presented. The general assembly does not need to approve these changes.
5. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Summary of membership and bank accounts were presented.
 - b. Education funding update – 2014 district funding will be \$1000.
 - c. NCEMSC – A summary of the program was provided along with the monetary benefit that the association has received in 2013.
 - d. The 2014 budget was presented. There was a motion from the floor to accept the 2014 budget as presented. 2nd from the floor. MC (GA01-10-13)
6. Secretary's Report
 - a. Memorial service at conference has been removed from the program as there were no names presented prior to conference. It was noted by a member of the general assembly that one name had been provided after conference 2012. This was acknowledged and the member will be recognized at conference 2014. Please provide names of any deceased EMTs for recognition.
7. Training Officer's Report
 - a. Education funds – Process was reviewed. Please provide receipt or copy of bill and copy of check for reimbursement.
8. Nominating Committee

- a. Vice President – Open nominations from the floor. There was a nomination for Gary Lembcke for Vice President from the floor and a 2nd. After the 3rd request for nominations, there was a motion from the floor that nominations cease and we cast a unanimous ballot for the position of Vice President. 2nd from the floor. MC (GA02-10-13)
 - b. Treasurer – Open nominations from the floor. There was a nomination for Margaret Kuipers from the floor and a 2nd. There was a nomination for Marlys Sands from the floor and a 2nd. After the 3rd request for nominations, there was a motion from the floor for nominations to cease, 2nd from the floor. MC (GA03-10-13)
 - c. Training Officer – Open nominations from the floor. There was a nomination for Katheryn Benton from the floor and a 2nd. There was a nomination for Stacey Grace from the floor and a 2nd. After the 3rd request for nominations, there was a motion from the floor for nominations to cease, 2nd from the floor. MC (GA04-10-13)
 - d. The floor was open for all candidates to present to the general assembly.
9. Open to floor for Old Business
 - a. None presented.
 10. Open to floor for New Business
 - a. Mission Lifeline SD (12lead Grant program) presented the new video promoting use of 12 lead technology.
 11. President VanDusen requested recess until Banquet.

Banquet Results:

Election Results:

- The Resolution to change the name of the organization has passed. (Total ballots-269. 7 spoiled, 5 abstained, NO – 18, YES – 239)
- Treasurer – Margaret Kuipers
- Training Officer – Katheryn Benton
- Motion by Brian H. to destroy the ballots, 2nd TJ Sanborn. MC (GA05-10-13)

Awards Results:

- Trauma Wars – 10 teams participated – 1st place to Spink County team.
- EMSC – Top award to Hot Springs Ambulance
- Lifetime Membership awards
- SD I/C of the Year – Scott Larson
- Sue Schuurmans’ Award – Missouri Valley Ambulance Service
- EMS Service of the Year – Grant-Roberts Ambulance
- President’s Award – Marty Link
- Past Officer Service Awards – Linda Georgeson – State Secretary, Kurt Klunder – State President
- NAEMT of the Year – Paul Scheuth
- SDEMTA EMT of the Year – Becky Berreth – Hecla Ambulance Service

Motion to adjourn, 2nd. MC (GA06-10-13)

Conclusion of EC Business Meeting – 11am, Oct 27th, 2013

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 - c. Many other guests.
2. New Officer Introductions – State and District as needed
 - a. State – no new officers
 - b. Dist IV – Vpres – Keith Sharisky, Treasure – Nancy Larson
 - c. Dist V – Training Officer – Laurie Quinn
 - d. Dist VII – President – Gary T. from Mobridge – please send EC contact information
3. Old Business
 - a. State Conference Committee – Amy Marsh(Dist II) and Brian Hambeck(Dist VI) will be Co-Chairs, Keith Sharisky(Dist IV), Chris Hermes(Dist VII), Erica H.(Dist III), State Training Officer and State Treasurer.
 - i. Conference Committee Policy needs to be reviewed and updated. Amy and Brian will review and submit modified document to EC at Jan 2014 meeting.
 - b. Historian service – Past practice is to pay for hotel. This year the Historian was in home area and did not require a hotel. A motion by Gayle to pay Historian registration in place of hotel costs for conference 2013. 2nd by Doug. MC (09-10-13)
 - i. Historian is receiving very few articles. It was suggested to have Historian submit an article to the Thoughts.
 - c. AV service – Barry S. provides the AV services for conference and does an excellent job. Motion by Brian H. to pay mileage to Barry to compensate for his service. 2nd by Bill. MC(10-10-13)
4. New Business
 - a. Conference Speakers – Katheryn noted that speakers need to be booked more than 1 year out. The more demand for a particular speaker the increased need to book sooner. Katheryn to work with the Conference Committee to book speakers as needed.
 - b. Conference Report
 - i. 427 people attended classes
 - ii. Scanner system worked very well during the sessions – printing reports at the end took longer than expected and printer overheated. This is being addressed with the scanning/computer system for 2014.
 - iii. Individual reports will be emailed and a group file provided to each District if need to print copies.

- iv. The report format is very cumbersome and difficult to read. Andy working with scanning people to improve.
 - c. Eric again thanked Dist VI for putting on a great conference. The Sunday sessions had the highest number in a long time. EMT Association is here to promote education.
 - d. Resolution to change name passes – Tom Lines agreed to work with Jennifer to file the appropriate paperwork with the state and identify all areas that need to be changed. This will take some time to get through all areas.
 - e. 2014 meetings:
 - i. Jan 25 2014 –0900 hrs central – webinar
 - ii. Apr 26 2014 – 1000 hrs central – Pierre, SD – conference 2019 bids
 - iii. July 26 2014 – 0900 hrs central – Pierre, SD
 - iv. Oct 23 2014 – 1930 hrs central – Sioux Falls, 2014 Conference
5. Motion by Matt to adjourn, 2nd by Bill. MC (11-10-13)

Respectfully submitted
Jennifer Monsen
State Secretary, SDEMTA/SDEMMSA