2012 Annual Board Meeting Minutes

6:30 pm at Community Choice Credit Union Convention Center.

President Jerry Ewers called the meeting to order.

Tom summit – roll call, all present except Katy Hill, Dave Mallinger, Terry Stecker.

Conflicts of interest – none reported.

Motion to approve the agenda by Piehl 2nd by Rechkemmer.

Motion to approve by Dumermuth second by Smith. Motion carried.

President Ewers gave the Association Overview – Executive Committee gives direction for day to day activities , Jerry Ewers-President, Linda Frederiksen – Vice President, Tom Summitt – Secretary, Brandon Smith-Treasurer and John Hill-Immediate Past President. The Board structure was reviewed and Tammi thanked for her work in the office. Mike Tripplett was recognized as our lobbyist and Dr. Forslund as our Medical .

President Ewers gave an overview of what IEMSA does for the membership...gave a breakdown of membership statistics and why we need all to become a member. He also reviewed the Association activities for the year.

Treasurers report – Brandon Smith – 2011 financials in packet. Balance sheet from 2003 to 2011, trend since the high in 2007 has been by the board to keep closer watch on the budget. Current year to date compared to last year we are in good shape, things are looking up. Unexpected expenses – increase in credit card processing fees, and professionals fee due to the transition in the office manage position. We have had a balanced budget for 2 consecutive years.

Bureau of Ems Report – Joe Ferrell – gave the report. They are working on system development training grants. Trying to make it non-competitive and reviewing how they distribute the money. Funding has been cut \$40,000 this past year. As a result of the funding cut, they haven't filled some positions, still functioning with 4 regional coordinators instead of 6. Looking at ways to save money, like sending cards out in the mail, would like some way for people to print out cards. Looking at Fiscal 2014 with more cuts. Senate file passed this year that told all boards to evaluate if they are in need and the best way to put them together and are they still necessary. Looking at a re-bid with their the State Registry. Bureau now has a Facebook account.

Legislative report – Thomas Craighton. Check out our booth downstairs, we have information on our legislative agenda. We have copies of the new IPost, the volunteer protection. What we worked on – volunteer tax credit, e911 overhaul. 2013 agenda – Iowa Cares, address the township mandate, monitor property tax reform proposals to ensure EMS is protected. Bylaws – no changes. Elections – one contested seat – at large postion – Brad Buck is retained on the board. Motion to destroy the ballots by Ridge, 2nd by Rechkemmer. All aye - motion carried.

Conference Report – John Hill. Welcomed everyone to the new facility. Day one is about to close and has went pretty smooth. This our 23rd Annual Conference and is still the largest in Iowa. Attendance has decreased a little since 2009, sitting at 1000 right now and hopefully be to about 1100 by the end of the conference. The conference wouldn't be what it is without our members. Your feedback is important to us.

Group purchasing – Linda Frederiksen – program for the 139 affiliates of IEMSA, it is a 2 year program, will release a new RFP next year. Currently the program is with Bound Tree. Everyone seems satisfied with it.

Outgoing board members were recognized – Cheryl Blazek-not present, Kristi Brockway, Angie Capps, David Mallinger.

The floor was open for comment, none were received and the meeting was adjourned by President Ewers.