

BOARD MINUTES

April 19th, 2012 IEMSA Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order by John Hill at the WDM Fire Station # 19 with seven members present; Thomas Craighton, John Hill, Katy Hill, Curtis Hopper, Brian Rechkemmer, Lee Ridge, Rod Robinson and Tom Summitt.

Proxies were noted: Rod has Jerry Ewer's, John has Linda Frederickson's, and Tom has Brandon Smith's.

Motion made by Lee, 2nd by Tom to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Brandon sent an email to Tom to read. The financials are in order. We missed the annual bill from Approved Events in the budget. Total assets on the balance sheet, as of March 31st are \$132,163.66. Net Ordinary Income for March 2012 is (\$3,326.34) compared to (\$7,531.42) in 2011. Motion was made by Thomas, 2nd by Brian to approve. Motion carried.

Star of Life Award – Our 2012 attendee had to cancel for health reason. He does plan on attending in 2012.

Medical Director Report – John Hill talked to Dr. Forslund, nothing specific to report, but he is willing to come and do something for the medical director session at our fall conference. He serves as a good resource. Ellen will plan on heading this up.

Point of Order – Thomas made a motion, 2nd by Lee to approve the minutes from last meeting. Motion carried.

Bureau of EMS Report –Ellen - The system standards group wants to marry up with IEMSA on system planning. Is it possible to offer a pre-con workshop on system standards and best practices? We are still without a Bureau Chief. Iowa took a \$30,000 hit in federal grant money, and the house is looking at \$60,000 cut in EMS. During EMS week, the Lt. Governor will do a proclamation on Tuesday. Ipost issue – going to push education out on this, it will cover everything. The house side is pushing for a cut on the public health budget. Cuts will have to be in staff. The Volunteer Tax credit passed, going to the Governor to sign. We are setting up a bill signing event.

Motion made by Lee, 2nd by Brian that we support a system standard workshop at the conference. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Executive – No report

Conference –

Dates for 2014 Conference will be November 13th-16th. The schedule is finalized. Pre-con workshops will be CCP, Medical Director/Service Director, NAEMSE track, and one yet unnamed. Our national speakers will be Dwight Pope, Kirk Mittelman, Mike Grill, Scott Bolleter, and Bill Justice. We have spent around \$8400 so far. Talked about highlighting our speakers, one at a time, in Enews.

Entertainment – The contract is signed for the band.

Honoring Our Own – Brian will join the committee. Tom is planning on using the high def capabilities at the new venue.

Training Programs – The training programs have met and talked about the calendars. They have been struggling with the logistics of putting everybody's classes on this calendar. Their solution – using a calendar service, for \$30 per training program, each program puts their own items on the calendar. Katy made a motion, 2nd by Thomas, to pay \$30 to use the calendar.

Legislative – We will be notified on the bill signing. The latest on the 911 bill about raising the surcharge to \$1 – leaving the bill where it is but amending the amount of the local percentage. The combined training center that we supported passed. We had a very successful year.

EMS Week – Katy reported that the WDM Police Honor Guard is confirmed but still having trouble finding a bagpiper.

Voice - Deadline is now. Need articles now.

EMS Cruise – Tom reported having a wonderful time, got to meet up with people from WEMSA. This will probably be our last cruise with Magic Carpet Travel. Their lack of communication made it hard to know about the get-togethers. Right now, we are not planning anything next year, unless we decide to do something on our own.

Scholarships – Talked about three a year at the training programs. They would need to be IEMSA affiliates. The scholarships would be for \$500 towards EMT basic education classes. Plan to put a standard application out for potentially a July deadline.

Old Business – A note was read from Linda on Legal Shield requesting us to table this until next meeting. Thomas made the motion, 2nd by Curtis. Motion carried with one dissenting vote.

Brian would like the training centers to partner up with IEMSA to do instructor workshops. We need to get the two executive boards together. The website for the training calendar is: www.iaemstraining.org.

John Hill will touch base with NAEMSE to see if they are advertising the Fall 2012 class.

Conference Lunches – This year we have only 55 minutes for lunch. Discussed having lunch included in the conference price, instead of it being an option, especially if we have the awards ceremony during the lunch hour.

Brian brought up improving how we handle our surveys and conference certificates. Dave will be present at our June meeting with a proposal. Conference attendees would have to complete the survey and then it would provide them with the link for them to print out their certificate.

Tom reported that our continuing education credits for our 2012 Conference would be provided by Eastern Iowa Community College. He was reminded that we also need to provide nursing credit hours.

Motion was made by Lee, 2nd by Brian to adjourn. Motion carried.