AEMS Board of Governors
August 21, 2024
Minutes

Board of Governors in Attendance: Peggy Baker; Bruce Barnhart, RN; Marcia Barry, RN; Suzanne Buchanan, RN; Franco Castro-Marin, MD; Doug Costal; Nicholas DeGroot; Garth Gemar, MD; Annie Giani, RN; Cori Hayes; Robert Londeree, MD; Steven Maher, MD; Tracy Moroney, RN; Kristin Niehoff, RN; Sandra Nygaard; Ray Ochoa; Beth Ranney, MD; Kim Reger, RN; Roy Ryals; Barb Schaffer, RN; Casey Solem, MD; Ryan Southworth, DO; Billy Warren; and Alyson Welch

Distinguished Guests in Attendance: Shari Brand; James Cunningham; Kendal Dold; Lisa Dowrick; Oluchi Ezeume; Stephen Ferris; Charles Finch; Caitlin Forrest; Rachel Garcia; Michael Graci; Shauna Griffith; Mike Hamilton; Dave Hanson; Erin Henderson; Shelley Henry; Kyle Henson; Gaby Iskander, MD; Josephine Johnson; Mickey Kovach; Sara Latham; Nick Pajic; Vince Podrybau; Dawn Polkabla; Cindy Roberts; Adam Rodriguez; Heather Santiago; Barbara Schaffer; Scott Schleifer; Abriana Smith; Julia Vinton; Shelby Wirtanen; Rachael Zarate.

I. Call to order: 12:00pm
II. Approval of Minutes:
    a. MOTION: Approve as presented
        i. ACTION: Passed unanimously
III. Executive Director's Report
    a. Monthly Activities:
        i. Report distributed
        ii. OBLS contract resolved
        iii. Membership goal met
        iv. Paramedic training funds distributed
    b. AzDHS Contract Status 2023-2024/2024-2025 Status: no update
IV. Board Officers' Reports
    a. Treasurer's Report
        i. Financial Reports:
            1. Year end reports
                a. MOTION: Accept the Year End Financial Reports as presented
                    i. ACTION: Passed unanimously
            2. July end of month reports
                a. MOTION: Accept the monthly reports as presented
                    i. ACTION: Passed unanimously
        ii. Budget 2024-2025: overview provided
            1. MOTION: Accept the 2024-2025 budget as presented
                a. ACTION: Passed unanimously
        iii. Membership Campaign: Established goal was met per the 2024 final report. Members were encouraged to maintain support in upcoming year.
    b. Chair's Report
        i. Executive Committee Report:
            1. Updated OBLS Contract status
            2. Categorization discussions
        ii. Regional Update Report
            1. Central Regional EMS Medical Directors Consortium
                a. Central Regional EMS Guidelines Updates
                    i. New information regarding management of crashing patient
                    ii. Upcoming review of Tucson guidelines including ALS/BLS perspectives.
            2. ROCC: No update
            3. Rural
                a. Paramedic Education Finding Final Report: all funds distributed per agreements.
                b. Pediatric Mini Grant Process Final Report: Funds distributed per established process
                c. OBLS Grant Implementation: update provided
                d. County reports: No updates
                e. Arizona Fire District Association: no update
        iii. Open Forum: No comments
    c. Board Transitions
        i. Elections

1. Nurse, Active in Emergency Medical Services, Recommended by a Professional Association of Emergency Nurses
    a. MOTION: Close nominations
        i. ACTION: Passed unanimously
    b. Elected: Suzanne Buchanan, RN
2. Physician, Active in the Practice of Trauma Surgery, Recommended by a Professional Association of Trauma Surgeons
    a. MOTION: Close nominations
        i. ACTION: Passed unanimously
    b. Elected: Gaby Iskander, MD
3. MOTION: Destroy the ballots
    a. ACTION: Passed unanimously

ii. Term Expirations/vacancies: election will be held October 16, 2024
1. One Emergency Medical Care Technician (EMCT-B), Serving their Employers in a Predominantly Non-Administrative Capacity.
2. One Representative from a Tribal EMS agency, from a Rural EMS Provider Agency.
3. One Representative of a helicopter Ambulance Employer of EMCTs, recommended by a statewide ambulance association, representing a private-sector employer of EMCTs.

V. State Report
a. BEMSTS Activities and Updates
i. 2025-2030 Strategic Plan: Power Point presentation by Rachel Zarate
ii. Update regarding Arizona State Trauma Registry
iii. Rules package schedule to go into effect 1/1/25 including scope of practice updates
iv. Discussion regarding Critical Care prehospital role education/implementation
b. SHARE: general update
c. The Arizona Pre-hospital Information and EMS Registry System (AZ-PIERS): no update
d. Pediatric: No update
e. State Committees: No updates

VI. Functional Group Review:
a. Planning & Outreach
i. Education Committee
1. 25th Annual EMS Odyssey: Scheduled June 12, 2025
    a. Planning in process
2. 5th Annual EMS CE Fall Forum: Scheduled December 5, 2024
    a. Virtual
    b. Content being finalized
3. 50th Anniversary: No update
4. Topical Focus / Lunch N Learn / Central Region Profile: general update on future topics

ii. Outreach: All present reminded to update contact information
b. Patient Management
i. Categorization:
1. MOTION: Consider/approve all categorization requests presented as a group.
    a. ACTION: Passed unanimously
2. Transfer of Care
    a. Sector Reports: No reports
3. RED Book Update: No report
4. Phoenix Stroke Center Coalition
    a. Review of group history/purpose and historic activities
    b. Discussion regarding interface with AEMS categorization processes
    c. Coalition to attend October Board Meeting
5. Trauma: No report
6. Additional Reports: None

VII. Program and Committee Reports: None
VIII. Old Business: None
IX. New Business: None
X. Call to the Public: None
XI. Adjournment: 1:56pm