

Board of Directors Meeting April 17, 2008
West Des Moines Station #19
1:00pm

Board Members in Attendance: Beach-Sickels, Blazek, Brockway, Dumermuth, Ewers, Fish, Hill, Hopper, Imming, Johnson, Mallinger, Morgan, Petersen, Ridge, Robinson, Stecker, Smith

Medical Director: Ahmed

Staff: Moore

Guests: Kirk Schmitt

Proxies: Craighton, Frederiksen, Reeves, Summitt

Absent: Craighton, Frederiksen, Glandon, Reeves, Summitt, Wright

1. Call To Order – John called meeting to order at 1300
2. Welcome /Determination of Quorum/Proxies/Call for Conflicts of Interest –A quorum was determined. Proxies were noted. No Conflicts of Interest were disclosed.
3. Minutes of March 20, 2008 – The minutes of the March 20, 2008 Board of Directors Meeting were approved as written. Approved as written Ridge/Fish/Unanimous
4. Treasurer’s Report – Linda Frederiksen – Angie reviewed the balance sheet and profit and loss statements in Linda’s absence. Motion to approve the treasurer’s report Blazek/Robinson/unan
5. Medical Director – Dr. Azeem – Anyone with items that Dr Azeem should be looking over should forward them to him directly.
6. Office Administrator’s Report – Angie Moore – Angie reported that the Billing and Management conference will be on May 7, 2008 at the Isle of Capri Casino in Bettendorf Iowa. Leadership Academy will be on May 2-4 at WDM EMS. Angie provided more information on Advocates for EMS, motion to join Advocates for EMS Ridge/Blazek/Unan. The next edition of *The Voice* will hit mailboxes during EMS Week.
7. Bureau of EMS Report – Kirk Schmitt – Kirk reported that system standards contracts are coming in for signatures. Two counties have met already, the other two plan to meet in the near future. Kirk also reported that in order to make good recommendations to the Bureau of EMS, the Quality Assurance Standards and Protocols (QASP) subcommittee of the EMS Advisory Council (EMSAC) is asking for the input of everyone who has an interest in the future of EMS in Iowa, including, emergency medical care providers, service directors, medical directors, other health care providers and the public. The QASP subcommittee of the EMS Advisory Council has developed a document concerning the National Scope of Practice Model. This document explores transition options for Iowa’s adoption of the National Model. The Bureau of EMS has posted this document on the website at www.idph.state.ia.us/ems and is gathering public comments on the transition plans for the QASP subcommittee. Kirk reported that the Governor has signed the EMS Week proclamation. The Bureau has identified 800 business within Iowa that allow their employees to leave during their shift to respond to calls. The Bureau will be sending EMS Week packets to all Services in Iowa. The System Development Grants close around May 1, 2008. Motion to have John draft a letter that will go along with the Bureau’s EMS week communication. Dumermuth/Hopper/unan
8. Committee Reports - Working Committees
 - A. Executive – John Hill – John reported that the committee has not met.
 - B. Conference – Jeff Dumermuth – The schedule is about 75% full, a target date of Mid-May has been set to have all speakers scheduled.
 - C. Legislative – Bill Fish – Bill reported that the E911 Service Board membership legislation has been signed. This changes membership of the board from Mayors to Fire Chiefs. SF505 passed and will be signed soon. SF2415 which is a pilot program for a County-wide Fire District is on the schedule now. After much discussion the board decided to register against SF2415. SF2298 is still in the House, it is suggested that

some version of the bill will pass this session. SF2373 has been replaced with SF2424. This is a new version of the bill that removed some of the controversial workers compensation issues. This bill is expected to pass the House April 21 or 22.

D. Membership - Individual – Lori Reeves – No report

E. Membership – Affiliate – Jon Petersen – No report

F. Membership – Corporate – Thomas Craighton – Angie reported that the Corporate Membership brochure is being redesigned.

G. Booth – Cheryl Blazek – No report

H. Website – Lee Ridge – Lee reported that the committee met this morning and they will be working on a complete overhaul of the website yet this spring.

9. Old Business

- Strategic Planning Assignments-John Hill - John reported that has talked with the IHA and they are receptive to a working relationship. Jan Beach-Sickel submitted a draft copy of a position paper on the Scope of Practice. It was determined that the committee would gather input from the membership and draft a response to the Bureau's request for comments on the Scope of Practice document by June 19. The committee will give an update at the May 15 meeting. Lee will develop a document outlining the process for becoming Service of the Quarter.
- Advocates for EMS – Angie Moore – Angie reported that the cost to join Advocates for EMS will be \$2000.00 per year. Motion to join Advocates for EMS. Ridge/Blazek/unan

10. New Business

- EMS Memorial Ceremony – Jeff Dumermuth – Jeff reported that there will be a short ceremony to honor the 9 individuals who will be added to the EMS Memorial on May 17, 2008 at 1030.
- EMS Week – David Johnson – Angie reported that following the EMS Memorial Dedication there will be an EMS Week Kickoff BBQ. PSA will be distributed the end of April, everyone is encouraged to contact their TV stations to encourage that the PSA are played.
- Marketing Committee – John Hill – It was decided that the current Booth committee will become the Marketing Committee.
- Benchmarking – Linda Frederiksen – Linda reported that Benchmarking will meet again on May 6, 2008 at Medic EMS.
- EMSAC – Kirk Schmitt – Kirk reported that Dr Buresh gave an opinion on administering D10 instead of D50. It was determined that there is not enough evidence to recommend D10 over D50. Recommendations for drivers training were received from QASP. Definitions for the terms Flight and Fixed wing provided by the Air Medical Taskforce were approved. The way FE and OE Continuing education is awarded was discussed and a working group of Medical Directors, Service Directors and Training Center Coordinators will review the process and report back to Advisory. Dr, Darrell Forslund will chair QASP.
- Pharmacy Board – Jeff Dumermuth – Jeff suggested that John draft a Letter to the Pharmacy Board offering assistance in gathering information regarding policies that govern EMS use of pharmaceuticals.

11. Adjournment