



ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

November 8, 2007 @ 6:30 pm., Polk County Convention Complex, Des Moines, Iowa
Meeting Minutes

Board Members in Attendance: Jan Beach-Sickels, Cheryl Blazek, Tom Bryant, Thomas Craighton, Jeff Dumermuth, Bill Fish, Linda Frederiksen, Dan Glandon, Cindy Hewitt, John Hill, Dave Johnson, Ric Jones, Matt Madson, Jon Petersen, Lori Reeves, Lee Ridge, Rod Robinson, Julie Scadden, Tom Summitt

Board Members Absent: None

Staff: Karen Kreider, Angie Moore

1. Call to Order – President John Hill called the Annual Meeting of the IEMSA Membership to order at 6:32pm
2. Determination of Quorum/Proxies/Conflicts of Interest – A roll call was conducted, a quorum was determined and no conflicts of interest were disclosed.
3. Minutes of the November 9, 2006 Annual Meeting – the minutes of the November 9, 2006 Annual Meeting of the IEMSA Membership were approved as presented.
Dumermuth/Ridge/Unanimous
4. Recognition – Graduates of EMS Leadership Academy – Certificates of completion were presented to the participants of the 2nd EMS Leadership Academy participants.
5. IEMSA Scholarship – Cheryl Blazek reviewed the details of the IEMSA Scholarship program, noting that there were over 30 applications to consider when determining this year's recipients. The following individuals were awarded scholarships: Denise Woods (First Responder \$150.00), Tonya Johnson (Basic \$250.00), Laura Clemons (Intermediate \$150.00), and Dawn Brus (Paramedic Specialist \$1000.00) There were no applications for the Iowa Paramedic.
6. State of the Association: - John Hill President of IEMSA reported on the highlights of the previous year:
 - Billing Conference – The spring Billing and Management Conference was held in Sioux City Iowa. Doug Wolfberg, presented topics on Medicare billing and management issues.
 - Dedication of the EMS Memorial – The EMS Memorial was dedicated on May 19 at 10:00. The \$55,000 memorial was designed and dedicated by a subcommittee of IEMSA chaired by Jeff Dumermuth.
 - CE Scanning System Rental –The CE scanning system worked so well at the Annual Conference it was decided to begin renting it out to other conferences.
 - E-news and Newsletter, Website – Abby has made significant strides in updating the website, enews and website.
 - Continuing Recruitment efforts for Medical Director. Dr and Abby relocated to Minnesota. Are working to fill the position.
 - Office Staffing – Colleen has left the office. Angie and Karen are now staffing the office.

- Lobbyist. This is the first year that IEMSA has contracted two Lobbyist. Cal Hutman was joined by Mike Triplett.
 - Membership
 - Individual – a multi-year payment schedule was set up. Memberships can now be purchased for 1, 3, or 5 years.
 - Affiliate – The Group Purchasing contracts have been renewed. Alliance Medical and Tri-Anim have been awarded the contracts for 2007-2009.
 - Corporate – Corporate members can now have access to membership information.
 - Strategic Plan – the board recognizes the importance of looking to the future. A strategic planning session is being set up for early 2008. The board will look at the next 4 years.
 - 2008 Commitments:
 - Continue to support annual Scholarships
 - Expansion of Group purchasing items
 - EMS Day on the Hill – 01/31/2008
 - Leadership Conference – Jerry Overton and Jerry Johnston will be providing education at Marriott
 - IEMSA Conference – November 13-15
 - EMS Leadership Academy Date – TBA
 - Billing Conference Date - TBA
7. Treasurer's Report – Linda Frederiksen – Linda reviewed the balance sheet, noting that the Certificates of Deposit have been moved from a 6 moth CD to a 3 month CD, this will ensure that funds are readily available. Linda reviwed the Profit and Loss statements pointing out that the total income for Conference and Memberships should increase drastically as there are outstanding invoices for the conference. Motion to approve: Dumermuth/Summitt/unanimous
8. Reports
- a. Bureau of EMS – Kirk Schmitt –
 - System Standards – In October the EMS Advisory Council agreed to develop pilot projects for the new System Standards document. RPF's should be out by the end of 2007.
 - Thank-you – The Bureau would like to thank IEMSA for utilization of E-news and newsletter for updates.
 - Air-Medical Transport Sub-committee – The EMS Advisory Council has formed a new sub committee for Air Medical Transport. Air Medical Services approached the state and asked for guidance. The committee was formed in April and have met twice once in July and once in October. The committee should have some rules to send to Advisory Committee in the very near future.
 - HOHN Alerts – E-mail notices will be sent out to all services regarding training and information on the alert system.
 - b. NAEMT – Jerry Johnston – Jerry reported the following:
 - NAEMT passed a large by-law change. This change passed with 94% approval. The changes affect the everything from daily operations to the board of directors. Specific changes can be accessed at the website.
 - An Executive Director has been hired and in place for about 6 weeks.
 - NAEMT memberships will be offered at half price during the conference.
9. Board Reports
- a. Legislative Committee – Ric Jones, Public Policy Activity – 2007 had a long agenda with mixed results. The IPERS bill remains a high priority for IEMSA going into the 2008 session. During 2007 there were no new bills that were detrimental to EMS. Motion to approve the 2008 Legislative Agenda Ridge/Summitt//Unanimous
 - b. Conference Committee – Jeff Dumermuth – to date 1176 registrations have been processed, it is anticipated that the number will reach 1200 by the end of the weekend.

Jeff noted that most of the host hotels were sold out 2 months prior to the conference. He expressed the importance of making reservations early. The dates for the 2008 conference are November 13-15, Baxter Lorman will be the key note speaker.

10. New Business

- a. Election and Disposal of Ballots – Dave Johnson – A motion to destroy the ballots from the 2007 board of directions election was made. Johnson/Fish/unanimous
- b. Ratification of By-laws – Call for a motion to approve the ratification of the bylaws Craighton/Johnson/unanimous

11. Retiring Board Member Recognition – John Hill – John Hill recognized and presented plaques to retiring board members Tom Bryant, Cindy Hewitt, Ric Jones, Matt Madson, and Julie Scadden.

12. Adjournment – A motion was made at 7:22 p.m. to adjourn this Annual Meeting of the IEMSA Membership. Jones/Summitt/Unanimous