

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – Conference Call

December 13, 2017, 9-11 a.m.

Roll Call and Approve Minutes from October Board Meeting

Attendees on the call included: Drs. Schwarz, Braithwaite, Jamtgaard, Char, Mary Yu (resident with Wash U), Heidt, McMurry, Pinson, Poirier, Koburov, Bausano, and Sarah Luebbert

Minutes from October meeting approved.

Legislative Update

Dr. Heidt provided an update on the Non-Emergent ED Visits/Anthem denials. We have received some publicity about our efforts. We have had a recent meeting with the Attorney General's office and they can't take action without the assistance of the Dept. of Insurance and the AG office was going to reach out to the DOI to see if they could begin review of this.

We are currently working on legislative language with other groups to clarify how ER visits should be reviewed to comply with Prudent Laysperson Standards, including a complete review of the medical record by an ED physician.

We are working on an alternative proposal for review for Medicaid and commercial insurance. MHA has used their database system, HIDI, to collect information on and identify high utilizers to assist in creating plans for these individuals. Once a final draft of the bill language is completed we will get a draft to the board.

EMTALA liability reform will be on the agenda for legislative discussion in 2018. We will try to find a bill we could add this on to since it is a very specific issue for physicians who practice in the ED.

There was discussion on the PDMP and the legislation that has already been filed for 2018. The current legislation would require physicians to check each patient before prescribing. We are working with Jorgen to make the proposed PDMP efficient for physicians.

Committee Updates

EMS/ITLS: There will be an ITLS call next week to begin reviewing the Policy and Procedure manual. ITLS International Conference will be held in November 2018 in St. Louis. Sarah will follow up with Ginny from ITLS to see what we can do to assist/host an event. Possibly host a reception to invite all Missouri instructors to it and thank them for their hard work.

Finance: Dr. Poirier reported on the current budget. Awards and grants are a little higher than last year along with resident expenses. All resident programs participated in our efforts to reimburse at 50%. ITLS is ahead of budget.

Education & Programming: Sarah reported in Dr. Sampson's absence that the ACEP reception was well attended, and all Missouri resident programs provided sponsorship again. We will continue at ACEP18. Advocacy Day is Jan. 24 and we currently have 17 people signed up. The Annual Membership Meeting will be April 26 in Springfield.

We will continue to support the ACEP SEC and it would be a good venue for junior faculty and residents, and possibly have an opportunity to present some research.

Grants/Awards: We have not received any nominations for the RR Hannas Award but will send out a reminder to membership. *We have two applicants for the Bill Jermyn MOCEP Advocacy Grant* at this time and will send out another reminder.

We have received two applicants for the MOCEP Student Advocacy Grant, both are first year med students. The committee will be making a decision on the applicant soon.

Communications: Dr. Schwarz reported that we have made updates to the website which include the directory and pop-ups. The directory had a little glitch but is now fixed and working.

Membership: Membership committee had a conference call recently. We are about 12 members short from getting a new delegate for 2018. We have several membership lists that we will reach out to and encourage them to renew their membership. Students count toward our member numbers so we would like to send an email to members asking them to sponsor a student for a \$55 fee. This will help to get med students engaged earlier in their career.

SEMPA Update: No report. Sarah will reach out to SEMPA office to find out how to get a new representative nominated.

Executive Director Update: Please let me know if you will be attending the Jan Board meeting, and if you need a room. I need to know by the end of this week. Help spread the word about Advocacy Day

Resident Report: No report.

New Business: No new business.

Meeting was adjourned.