



**MOCEP Board Meeting  
September 14, 2016  
Jefferson City**

President Heidt called the meeting to order. Board members present were: Drs. Heidt, Koburov, Koboldt, Bausano, and Sampson. Attending by phone were: Drs. Schwarz, Char, Jamtgaard, Owen, McMurry, Rueckert, Jotte, Pinson, Robb and Szewczyk. Resident Board Members in attendance were Dr. Monahan in person, and Dr. Bachman by phone. Jorgen Schlemeier, Sarah Luebbert and Terry Carlisle also attended in person.

**Minutes**

Attention was brought to the minutes from the last board meeting. A motion was made by Dr. Bausano to accept the minutes, seconded by Dr. Koboldt and the motion carried.

**Legislative Update**

Jorgen provided a status update on legislative issues. The nurse practitioners want to push the nurse bill again in 2017 and loosen restrictions on collaborative practice agreements. Jorgen has requested the bill be sent for us to review. After we see this we will make a plan for the 2017 session.

**TCD Regulations:** Char, Heidt, Jorgen and Sarah met with the Board of Healing Arts (BOHA) to discuss Time Critical Diagnosis CME in August. BOHA has control of the regulations as of August 28. MOCEP recommended that BOHA let each ED work out the CME needs for their hospital, or setting a standard that we agree is reasonable. BOHA wants to meet with DHSS about the issue to get their interpretation. BOHA would prefer to not be the required agency to audit these CME hours. It is unclear right now what rules exist for TCD CME in the interim. DHSS could decide they are responsible to audit these until BOHA has a plan in place. Drs. Sampson and Bausano agreed to represent MOCEP at the October BOHA meeting to speak on this issue.

**Medicaid non-Emergent visit payment reduction:** MOCEP first heard about payment reductions to hospitals for non-emergent visits to the ED in mid-July. Drs. Char and Heidt are part of a task force that is addressing this issue. MO HealthNet stated they were directed by the General Assembly to put a cost reduction into their budget to reduce non-emergent visits. This causes concern for ED physicians to identify patients that are non-emergent, but still uphold EMTALA requirements.

MOCEP would like to work with the Missouri Hospital Association and Missouri State Medical Association to have one approach that we take forward to MO HealthNet. We will send a message to the membership about this and that MOCEP is part of the task force and working toward a solution.

**Assistant physician rule** was filed by BOHA, comments are completed. Jorgen met with them and asked them to provide a reasonable supervision period before they could independently see patients, and

make sure they are graduates from a U.S. medical school. Dr. Koburov and Monahan agreed to draft language that BOHA could put into their rules that would designate a number of hours of practice, and some standards that schools could meet, based on what schools we want it to apply to.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Finance:** Dr. Szewczyk provided the financial committee report in Dr. Poirier's absence. He provided an overview of the balance sheet and noted that the funds are being moved to one banking location and investments are being made into CDs and Money market accounts. ITLS income is decreasing.

**Education/Programming:** January 25 is Advocacy Day. Have received funding from EMRA. Have sent a save the date but will begin more marketing efforts soon. We will reach out the sponsors from last year to seek funding for 2017. Missouri is holding a reception at ACEP16 in Las Vegas.

A survey was sent to the membership to decide on a location for the 2017 Annual Membership Meeting. 40% of the survey respondents voted for the Tom Steele Symposium in Springfield. Next highest was the MSMA event, difference of 4 people based on the number of survey respondents. Sampson recommended we plan to meet with Tom Steele in Springfield in 2017, then re-evaluate what we will do for 2018. Sampson provided a motion that the MOCEP Annual Membership Meeting be held at the Tom Steele Emergency Symposium in Springfield, the motion was seconded by Bausano. Sarah will notify Mercy of this, and notify MSMA we will no longer need the space.

**Grants/Awards:** Have four resident research grant applications which will be reviewed after the deadline.

There was discussion about the RR Hannas Resident Award being a \$250 cash award versus a gift card to the ACEP bookstore. Committee will decide on the their next conference call. In order to promote the awards, Bausano will send an email out to all the program directors, and Sarah will work with Monahan for the resident promotion.

**Communication Committee:** Fall EPIC is ready to go, table of contents will be clickable to take you directly to the article you want to read. Annual web review will be occurring next month. The MOCEP mobile app has been trialed and appears to be working well. Have a new educational section on the website, so we are taking recommendations for this.

**Legislative** – No update

**Membership:** Koboldt reported that membership looks good. ACEP is working hard to pull in the resident members. Will continue to invite graduating residents to join. Will work to recognize the FACEP candidates and renewals at the Missouri reception at ACEP 16. Had a small drop in number of medical student memberships. It was noted that medical students are invited to board meetings and Advocacy Day and we should work to promote this to them to raise awareness. It was suggested that the medical students that attend board meetings and the MOCEP Advocacy Day, could we possibly assist them with expenses to attend the ACEP LAC. It was proposed to create a travel grant that students can apply for to attend LAC for registration plus \$250 compensation for travel. Total of \$300 expense to the MOCEP

budget. If approved, the application process will go to the grants/awards committee. Funding must be applied for in the current fiscal year. The grants/awards committee will discuss details at their next meeting. A vote was held on this recommendation and there was no opposition.

It was suggested that we consider holding an airway lab at Tom Steele symposium, since Mercy is planning to hold an airway training already. The residency program is strong so it would be good to shift some focus to the student memberships as well. Get more acquainted with the EMIG groups to make sure we are staying in touch with them. Membership committee will discuss these ideas and come back to the board with a proposal.

**EMS/ITLS:** Committee is moving forward on strategy discussions. The first SAC meeting is Sept. 27. Will be forming coalitions with other organizations to help promote EMS (MEMSA, ETHAN, ENA). In the planning phases and will have more to report out at a later date. Trying to build a larger committee to cover all needs.

**ACEP Board Candidates/Council Meeting:**

- There is a movement to change council standing rules on the agenda. The current rule states a resolution can be pulled off the consent agenda causing controversy by a designated group of people. Rule change proposal is that if you wish to pull a rule off, then you will need to verbally express why you want to pull it and receive a 1/3 approval from the council to do so.
- Only 27 resolutions submitted for 2016, down from the usual numbers near 40. Missouri has two resolutions.
- We received a request from a candidate to show support to them. Gillian Schmitz, MD, FACEP, had contacted MOCEP for support. Discussion was opened regarding showing support. There was no opposition to supporting Dr. Schmitz.
- President-Elect: Discussion was opened up for President-elect candidates. Hans House, MD, FACEP, was named as a person MOCEP should support. There was no opposition to this.
- Board will be notified of the votes after the Council meeting.

**SEMPA Update:** Terry would like to send a survey to MOCEP members if they use PAs in their ED, or any area of their ED. Was suggested to inquire about NPs as well. Terry will work with Sarah and receive officer approval before distribution of the survey.

Regional block anesthesia, original law was from 1989. Would like to do regional anesthesia (hand, foot). The PAs in Missouri would like MOCEP's support on this. Terry presented this language change to the Board in writing. SEMPA is asking MOCEP to be in support of this, and are currently talking with Missouri Association of Anesthesia. Bausano motioned that we support the PA language of regional blocks. Sampson second. No opposition.

**ITLS Update:** Sarah provided a brief update on ITLS based on the article that was submitted by Bob Page for the fall issue of EPIC.

A motion was made to adjourn and was approved.