

American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians
SPRING MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Doubletree Paradise Valley Hotel
Scottsdale, Arizona

MINUTES

Attendance:

Juan F. Acosta, D.O.
Victoria Allison, D.O.
Robert Aranosian, D.O., FACOEP
Gerard A. Ashbeck, D.O.
Kevin Aston, D.O.
T. Christian Barber, D.O.
Christy Barkhuizen, D.O.
Levente Batizy, D.O., FACOEP
Juliana Batizy-Morley, D.O.
Peter Bell, D.O., FACOEP
Frank Benes, III, D.O., FACOEP
Donald G. Beyer, D.O.
Ronald M. Bishop, D.O., FACOEP
Janice Blau, D.O.
Gregory P. Bloxdorf, D.O.
Gary Bonfante, D.O., FACOEP
Thomas Brabson, D.O., FACOEP
B. Brandon, DO, FACOEP
Donald J. Brock, D.O., FACOEP
Russell E. Burkett, D.O.
Arthur G. Calise, D.O., FACOEP
A. Caudullo, D.O.
Ben H. Chlapek, D.O., FACOEP
G. M. Christiansen, DO, FACOEP
Ronald S. Cohen, D.O.
KellyAnn Cullen, D.O.
Christopher P. Daisy, D.O.
Michael Dargay, D.O., FACOEP
Jack F. David, D.O.
Lisa J. DeWitt, D.O., FACOEP
William DiCindio, D.O.
Robert Dinwoodie, D.O., FACOEP
James Distefano, D.O.
Arthur Dortort, D.O.
Martin Dunsky, D.O.
Ronald Dupler, D.O.
Michael Eastman, D.O.
Anita Eisenhart, D.O., FACOEP
Alexandra Ely, D.O.
Elizabeth Evans, D.O.
James Farinosi, D.O.
Larry Farmer, D.O., FACOEP
Benjamin Field, D.O., FACOEP
Charles Finch, Jr., D.O., FACOEP
Paul Flately, D.O.
Edward R. Fog, D.O.
James J. Foutty, D.O.
William Franklin, D.O.

William Fraser, D.O., FACOEP
Howard Friedland, D.O.
Mitchel Garfield, D.O., FACOEP
Brent Gear, D.O.
Timothy D. Genetta, D.O.
Tara E. Gleeson, D.O.
Eric Gloss, D.O., FACOEP
Edward Goetten, D.O.
Gregory J. Hall, D.O.
Marc Harris, D.O.
Douglas M. Hill, D.O., FACOEP
Michael J. Hoh, D.O., FACOEP
Robert A. Holm, Jr., D.O.
Raymond Hughes, D.O., FACOEP
Keith R. Hurst, D.O.
Brenda Johnson, D.O.
Anthony Jennings, D.O., FACOEP
Samuel N. F. Johnson, D.O.
Wayne T. Jones, D.O., FACOEP
Ebrahim Karkevandian, D.O.
Joseph F. Karre, D.O.
Raymond P. Kelly, D.O., FACOEP
Howard D. Kessler, D.O.
Michael Kitto, D.O.
Drew A. Koch, D.O., FACOEP
Timothy C. Koch, D.O.
Sharokh Kohanim, D.O.
Lawrence Kohn, D.O.
William Kokx, D.O., FACOEP
Ellen M. Kroon, D.O.
Joseph Kuchinski, D.O., FACOEP
Christ Kyriakedes, D.O., FACOEP
Kevin J. Loeb, D.O.
Beth A. Longenecker, D.O.
Fredric B. Ludwin, D.O., FACOEP
Mary Lynn Magarelli DO FACOEP
Nuncio Massara, D.O.
Susan Mastallone, D.O.
Robert May, D.O.
Mary L. Mazza, D.O.
Marty McBee, D.O.
Matthew McCarthy DO FACOEP
Cathleen McGovern, D.O., FACOEP
Charles McIntosh, D.O.
Jacklyn McParlane, D.O.
Roger Meadows, D.O.
Lewis J. Miller, D.O.
Thomas Minahan, D.O.

Monte Mitchell, D.O.
E. Scott Morrison, D.O.
Joe A. Nelson, D.O., FACOEP
Kevin O'Gara, D.O.
Daniel J. Olsson, D.O., FACOEP
Hema Pandit, D.O., FACOEP
Diane M. Paratore, D.O., FACOEP
Steven J. Parrillo, D.O., FACOEP
Frank A. Paul, D.O., FACOEP
Jon-Pierre Pazevic, D.O., FACOEP
David E. Pierce, D.O.
James D. Polk, D.O., FACOEP
John Prestosh, D.O., FACOEP
Stephen Pulley, D.O., FACOEP
A. Qabazard, D.O., FACOEP
James Raftis, D.O.
Abdulrahman Raja, D.O., FACOEP
John Reilly, Jr., D.O.
Brian Robb, D.O., FACOEP
Charles S. Ross, D.O.
Kevin Roth, D.O.
John W. Rubin, D.O.
Teresa A. Sacco, D.O.
Victor J. Scali, D.O., FACOEP
Scott H. Schleifer, D.O.
Martha Shadel, D.O.
Scott Shisler, D.O.
Duane Siberski, D.O., FACOEP
David E. Sikorski, D.O.
Juan I. Sinisterra, D.O.
Theodore A. Spevack, D.O., FACOEP
Murry B. Sturkie, D.O., FACOEP
Glenn F. Suacillo, D.O.
Robert E. Suter, D.O., FACOEP
Brian Sweeney, D.O.
Edit Szabo, D.O.
Michael F. Todd, D.O.
Paul A. Traficanti, D.O.
Tami Van Voorst, D.O.
Michael P. Ward, D.O.
Scott Weeks, D.O.
David S. Welch, D.O.
Steven L. Williams, D.O.
Paula J. Willoughby, D.O., FACOEP
Thomas M. Wills, D.O.
James A. Yenger, D.O.
Jennifer A. Yorke, D.O., FACOEP

The President, Joseph J. Kuchinski, D.O., FCOEP, called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

A motion was made and duly seconded to accept the Minutes of the Meeting of October 2001, as written.

Reports

President's Report. Dr. Kuchinski presented a verbal report of his activities during the past six months. His report covered the NOM week activities in November 2001 and the activities of the Council on Federal Health Programs. He informed the Committee of the pressing issues surrounding professional liability insurance.

President-elect's Report. Dr. Scali presented his report that concentrated on updating the Membership on the progress of the Research Consortium and the need for a better database and more coordination of the statistical information. To this end, he informed the Committee of his intention to apply for a research grant from FOEM to support the hiring of appropriate personnel to move this project ahead.

Secretary's Report. Dr. Willoughby presented her report that highlighted her role in document oversight and liaison to the Student Chapter and AOBEM. She urged the Membership to consider broadening its policies to encourage a broader presence in the emergency medicine theater and to establish the College as THE source on osteopathic emergency medicine in the eyes of accrediting agencies and the public.

Treasurer's Report. Dr. Brabson presented a brief report on the status of the College. He reported that the College has undergone its five-year audit noting that the findings are in order with the College's goals. He noted that the College has changed software and he anticipated the ability to provide and receive information in a different format that will allow for better knowledge of actual spending by Committee, Activity or Project.

Executive Director. Ms. Wachtler presented her report that concentrated on the activities of the office for the past six months and gave brief updates on staffing, technology and the website, CME programs and membership statistics.

Reports of Affiliate Organizations

Foundation for Osteopathic Emergency Medicine. Ms. Wachtler presented a report on the status of the Foundation. Discussed were the status of donations for this fiscal year which were down from the previous year; the ability to pledge donations to the Foundation; the status of research grants and publicity and fund-raising through newly printed brochures.

Reports of Liaison Representatives

American Osteopathic Board of Emergency Medicine. Dr. Field reported on the statistical figures resulting from the Part I examination given in February 2002; Part II given in June and November 2001, and the ongoing review of Part III examinations. He also updated the Board on the progress of the COLA modules which will be implemented in 2004.

National Association of EMS Physicians. Dr. Willoughby informed the Membership that the NAEMSP has developed a task force to consider the feasibility of developing a certification process for EMS physicians. Also discussed in the report was a feature, "Response to Terrorism: the New York Experience" presented by the Deputy Medical Director for EMS of the FDNY. This presentation prompted the organization to charge its Terrorism and Hazardous Materials Task Force to develop a curriculum for responding to this type of situation.

Committee Reports

Coding and Reimbursement. The Report of the Coding and Reimbursement Committee filed by Dr. Joseph J. Calabro, D.O., FACOEP, was received and filed..

Continuing Medical Education. The Committee's report was presented by Steven J. Parrillo, D.O., FACOEP. The report updated the Membership on the activities surrounding the various educational meetings. He reported that the Committee has asked the Board to approve the reformatting of the Core Curriculum and investigate the possibility of moving the meeting to a ski resort location. Further information on the locations and dates of upcoming CME meetings would be distributed with the dues mailings in August.

Emergency Medical Services. The Committee's report was presented by Daniel J. Olsson, D.O., FACOEP. The report updated the Membership on the Committee's activities since last October. Dr. Olsson on the Committee's activities on a project with the AOA on emergency credentialing of physicians. The AOA has been working with the Committee and the ACOEP Executive Director to develop a packet of information for use by the AOA and ACOEP to credential physicians in the event of a local or national emergency. After discussion, the Committee recommended that rather than to create a paper credentialing program, time and money would be better spent in creating a national database system that was housed in the AOA, which would coordinate and link AOA with FEMA, DMAT, local law enforcement agencies, and Red Cross to make a comprehensive credentialing network.

Membership and Credentials. The Committee's report was presented by Cathleen McGovern, D.O., FACOEP. The report provided updates to the Membership on the utilization of the matching grant from AOA and plans for member recruitment that will take place over the next six months.

Practice Management. The Committee's report was presented by Jon-Pierre Pazevic, D.O., FACOEP, Advisor to the Committee. Dr. Pazevic announced that two position papers were presented for Board approval, one on the public utilization of AED's and Thrombolysis in Cerebrovascular Accidents and these would be sent to the membership in the July issue of The Pulse and voted on at the Fall Membership Meeting.

Publications. The Committee's report was presented by Drew A. Koch, D.O., FACOEP. Dr. Koch reported that the status of the College's main publication, The Pulse, is in good condition and with the addition of the Student Publication, The Emergent, and the creation of the ACOEP website have added to the College's credibility.

Research. The Committee's report was presented by Victor J. Scali, D.O., FACOEP, Advisor to the Committee. The Committee discussed the issues surrounding the research consortium and its desire to seek a FOEM grant to assist in paying a coordinator.

The Research Committee acted as a review committee for FOEM, however, more than half of those asked to evaluate the grants did not participate in the review process. In this vein, the Committee will work on restructuring itself to make it more productive.

The Committee discussed the issue of research in residency training programs and made a recommendation to the Board to incorporate appropriate wording into the training documents and that this wording would be sent to the Committee on Graduate Medical Education for incorporation into the Basic Standards

Undergraduate Medical Education. The Committee report was presented by Anthony Jennings, D.O., FACOEP. The Committee has continued to work on the revision and reissuance of the CD-Rom for the Student Lecture Series. The revision is expected to be completed in early summer and the CD-Rom issued in time for the Convention. The Committee also recommended that the Student Case Competition be changed so that it can be incorporated into research activities associated with the Convention.

There being no further business, the President, Joseph J. Kuchinski, D.O., FACOEP, adjourned the meeting at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary