American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Caesar’s Palace
Las Vegas, Nevada
October 27, 2008

Minutes

Members Present:
Steven Adamczyk, D.O.
Paul Adams, D.O.
Jennifer Adkins, D.O.
Anthony Affatato, D.O.
Fahim S. Ahmed, D.O.
D. Gregory Alexander, D.O.
Paul Allegretti, D.O.
Dario Altamirano, D.O.
Leonardo Altamirano, D.O.
Jordana Alter, D.O.
Suzanne Amidon, D.O.
Alwin Ardense, D.O.
Joseph Artale, D.O.
Harry Arters, D.O.
Larry Bachle, D.O.
Glen Bailey, D.O.
Fred Bailor, D.O.
Chris Bannigan, D.O.
Jeremy Barnes, D.O.
Raj Baman, D.O.
Levente Batizy, D.O.
Julian Batizy-Morley, D.O.
Gary R. Beasley, D.O.
Gaiti Bakhsh, D.O.
Timothy Barr, D.O.
John W. Becher, D.O.
Andrew Beckmann, D.O.
Gregory J. Beirne, D.O.
Peter A. Bell, D.O.
Douglas Bennett, D.O.
William Bennett, D.O.
Rudolph Bescherer, D.O.
Nathaniel Bishop, D.O.
Craig Black, D.O.
Brad A. Blaker, D.O.
Gregory P. Bloxsdorf, D.O.
Suzana Bogdanovska, D.O.
David Bogolub, D.O.
William Bograkos, D.O.

David Bohorquez, D.O.
Gary Bonfante, D.O.
Charles M. Boothby, D.O.
Allyson Borgstedte, D.O.
Chad Borin, D.O.
Gregory L. Boris, D.O.
Thomas A. Boyle, D.O.
Joshua Bozek, D.O.
Thomas A. Brabson, D.O.
Donald Brizendine, D.O.
Glen H. Brookshire, D.O.
Christine Bruner, D.O.
Steven R. Burkholz, D.O.
Denise M. Buruse, D.O.
Kristie Busch, D.O.
Nikolai Butki, D.O.
Jeffrey Butler, D.O.
Michelle Butler, D.O.
Brad Caloia, D.O.
Bradley J. Campbell, D.O.
Michael Cannon, D.O.
Chad Carman, D.O.
Michael B. Carney, D.O.
Cesar Carralero, D.O.
Dale M. Garrison, D.O.
Larry Carter, D.O.
Tania Castro, D.O.
Anthony Catapano, D.O.
Nicole Ceccacci, D.O.
Barbara A. Celestina, D.O.
Jack Chambers, D.O.
Michael Chapman, D.O.
Atulkumar Chavda, D.O.
Angela D. Cheers, D.O.
Timothy Cheslock, D.O.
Robert B. Chrest, D.O.
Gregory Christiansen, D.O.
Carrie J. Clark, D.O.
Maria Cole, D.O.
Christopher Colbert, D.O.

Steven Conroy, D.O.
Duane Corsi, D.O.
Mario Cosenza, D.O.
Mark Crowell, D.O.
Melissa Cusumano, D.O.
Sean Dakshaw, D.O.
Paul D’Amico, D.O.
Mark R. Damon, D.O.
Jack David, D.O.
Jeffries Davies, D.O.
Frederick Davis, D.O.
Stephanie Davis, D.O.
Brian Dean, D.O.
Elaine Diaz, D.O.
Julia DiCicco, D.O.
William DiCindio, D.O.
Tammy L. Dietz, D.O.
Freyja J. Dittrich, D.O.
Ronald Dean, D.O.
Paula W. DeJesus, D.O.
Paul C. DePonte, D.O.
John F. Dery, D.O.
John DeSalvo, D.O.
Emilissa Domingo, D.O.
Trace Dotson, D.O.
Joseph Dougherty, D.O.
Michael Q. Doyle, D.O.
Craig Dues, D.O.
Kevin R. Durell, D.O.
Kelly Dyess, D.O.

Michael Eastman, D.O.
Anita W. Eisenhart, D.O.
Alexandra Ely, D.O.
Randy Engleman, D.O.
Andrew Erlich, D.O.
Kathleen Faccio, D.O.
Kurt Feighner, D.O.
Brent Felton, D.O.
Delvon Ferguson, D.O.
Lundyn Fetco, D.O.
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Jack B. Field, D.O.
Jon Finch, D.O.
David Fisher, D.O.
Bryan T. Fitzgerald, D.O.
Andrew Flanagan, D.O.
Mark Foppe, D.O.
Robert R. Foster, D.O.
Michele Fowler, D.O.
Gregory R. Frailey, D.O.
William E. Franklin, D.O.
J. G. Frappier, D.O.
Gregory Fuller, D.O.
Michael Gable, D.O.
Seven Gable, D.O.
Calixto Garcia, D.O.
Tressa Gardner, D.O.
Tamela Gartman, D.O.
Christine Giesa, D.O.
Mark Giese, D.O.
David Gilchrist, D.O.
Richard Giovannini, D.O.
Golru Ghaffari, D.O.
Benjamin Gold, D.O.
Pradeep Golla, D.O.
Michael Goodyear, D.O.
Terrence Goyke, D.O.
Karen Greenberg, D.O.
Justin Greene, D.O.
Jeffry D. Greenlee, D.O.
Jerry M. Greib, D.O.
Raymond K. Griffith, D.O.
Angela Gruesen, D.O.
Joseph Guarnaccia, D.O.
Stephen Gunn, D.O.
Bradley Gutierrez, D.O.
William Halacoglu, D.O.
Peggy Hale, D.O.
Robert Harding, D.O.
Karl Harnish, D.O.
Todd Hartgerink, D.O.
Robert W. Hatchitt, D.O.
Beth Hayes, D.O.
Joseph J. Heck, D.O.
Bernard Heilicser, D.O.
R. S. Hemby, D.O.
Charles Henson, D.O.
Chris Hill, D.O.
Douglas M. Hill, D.O.
James O. Hill, D.O.
Robert A. Holm, D.O.
Tom Hubmer, D.O.
Randall Howell, D.O.
Robert Howell, D.O.
Darrin Houston, D.O.
Kevin V. Hua, D.O.
Mary J. Hughes, D.O.
Raymond G. Hughes, D.O.
Joanne Hullings, D.O.
Robert L. Hunter, D.O.
Ira Brady Husky, D.O.
Leo Huynh, D.O.
Julie Johns, D.O.
Kevin R. Johnson, D.O.
Donald G. Jones, D.O.
Jennifer L. Jones, D.O.
Wayne T. Jones, D.O.
Andrew M. Kahn, D.O.
Stephen G. Kaiser, D.O.
Risty T. Kalivas, D.O.
Kamil Kalsi, D.O.
Marianna Karounos, D.O.
Dmitry Katkovsky, D.O.
Steven B. Keehn, D.O.
Michael Kelley, D.O.
Michael Kelly, D.O.
Kyle Kennedy, D.O.
Drew Koch, D.O.
Diana Koutonotas, D.O.
William Kokk, D.O.
Daniel B. Kommel, D.O.
Chris Kramer, D.O.
David A. Kraus, D.O.
Joseph J. Kuchinski, D.O.
Jay Kugler, D.O.
Elizabeth Lacy, D.O.
Gary Lai, D.O.
Farah Lalani, D.O.
Timothy Lane, D.O.
Matthew Larrew, D.O.
Joseph D. Lee, D.O.
Roentgen Lee, D.O.
Teddy Lee, D.O.
Joseph D. Lemmons, D.O.
Tracy Lester, D.O.
David L. Levy, D.O.
Marc Lewbart, D.O.
Brandon Lewis, D.O.
Kevin J. Loeb, D.O.
Daniel Lombardi, D.O.
Beth A. Lomenecker, D.O.
Aaron Love, D.O.
Freda Lozanoff, D.O.
James Lundy, D.O.
Khoa Luong, D.O.
Frank Magro, D.O.
Nicole J. Maguire, D.O.
Eric D. Mann, D.O.
Melissa J. Marker, D.O.
Bruce A. Marts, D.O.
Nuncio Massara, D.O.
Paul Mastrokyriakos, D.O.
Manjushree Matadial, D.O.
Lawrence Mazur, D.O.
Matthew T. McCarthy, D.O.
James W. McCorry, D.O.
Charles McIntosh, D.O.
Rayn McNenon, D.O.
Genevieve McGerald, D.O.
James McMullen, D.O.
Jacklyn McParlane, D.O.
Julia Mears, D.O.
Travis Mellon, D.O.
Eric Method, D.O.
Heidi Metheny, D.O.
Stephen D. Mifsud, D.O.
John Mears, D.O.
Andrew Miller, D.O.
David E. Miller, D.O.
Jennifer Miller, D.O.
Evelyn M. Mills, D.O.
Glenn J. Milos, D.O.
Sarah K. Minor, D.O.
Mark A. Mitchell, D.O.
Melody L. Milliran, D.O.
Mary K. Montgomery, D.O.
Tara Montgomery, D.O.
Enash Moodley, D.O.
Gary L. Moorman, D.O.
E. Scott Morrison, D.O.
Frank Moyes, D.O.
Peter A. Bell, D.O., FACOEP called the meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. and entertained a motion to approve the Minutes of the meeting of March 28, 2008 as written. A motion was made and duly seconded to approve these Minutes as written. Discussion was requested and hearing none, a vote was taken to approve the Minutes. The Minutes were unanimously approved.
At this time Dr. Bell welcomed all the members present at the first Membership Meeting at our first independent convention. He happily informed the members present and the honored guests that he was happy to report that this convention and Scientific Assembly is officially the largest ever hosted by the ACOEP, with an expected attendance nearing 800. He then thanked all the members for their support of our effort to host an independent convention and informed them that it would not have been possible without their continued support.

He then went onto the introduction of the candidates for positions on the ACOEP Board of Directors. Dr. Bell informed the audience that each candidate would have 3 to 5 minutes to present his or her platform and introduce themselves to the members. After this they should cast their ballots which will be collected by members of the audience who will assist the Nominating Committee in counting the votes. The outcome of the voting will be announced to the Membership at the end of the meeting. The candidates for positions on the Board were introduced by Dr. Paula Willoughby DeJesus, Chair of the Nominating Committee. The Candidates were: Gregory J. Beirne, D.O., FACOEP (Wildwood, Missouri); Beth A. Longenecker, D.O., FACOEP (Coconut Grove, Florida); Mark A. Mitchell, D.O., FACOEP (Mequon, Wisconsin); Joe A. Nelson, D.O., FACOEP (Largo, Florida); Steven J. Parrillo, D.O., FACOEP (Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania); James Shuler, D.O., FACOEP (Fort Collins, Colorado), and Duane Siberski, D.O., FACOEP (Mohnton, Pennsylvania).

Following the presentations by the Candidates, Dr. DeJesus asked the members to cast their ballots and she and members of the Nominating Committee left the hall to count ballots.

The next item of business was to recognize members for the special contributions to the specialty of emergency medicine through the presentation of special awards. Dr. Bell welcomed Mrs. Carolyn Chlapek to the podium to accept the Bruce D. Horton, D.O., FACOEP, Lifetime Achievement Award on behalf of Ben H. Chlapek, D.O., FACOEP her late husband. Mrs. Chlapek thanked the College stating that Dr. Chlapek had been so looking forward to accepting this award, however, he passed away in mid-July just after learning that he was being recognized for this honor.

The next special award, the Robert D. Aranosian, D.O., FACOEP, Excellence in EMS Award was presented to Bernard Heilicser, D.O., FACOEP for his work in the field of Emergency Medical Services with the Illinois State EMS Corps and his work with DMAT following Hurricane Katrina.

The next special award, the Benjamin A. Field, D.O., FACOEP, Mentor of the Year Award was presented to Anthony W. Jennings, D.O., FACOEP in honor of his continued work with the Student Chapter and the development and improvement of the Student Lecture Series, a set of lectures developed and presented to any physician working with students, regardless of their specialty area.

Honorary Membership in the ACOEP was presented to Marcelino Oliva, D.O. and accepted by Joseph J. Kuchinski, D.O., FACOEP on Dr. Oliva’s behalf. Dr. Kuchinski stated that Dr. Oliva could not be present at this time because of his previous commitments to OPAC that was hosting its annual reception concurrently with this event.

Life Membership was presented to John W. Becher, Jr., D.O., FACOEP. Dr. Becher is a Charter Member of the College having held membership since 1976. He was also recognized for his contributions to the College, its Foundation and the certifying Board.
Reports.

President’s Report – Dr. Bell addressed the audience in his last Presidential report of his term. He stated his accomplishments during his term as President and thanked the members for their continued support. He also reported to the membership that all the reports would be up on the website within 10 days of the meeting for their review.

President-elect Report – Dr. Brabson asked that his report be delayed as he would address issues in his inaugural address.

Secretary’s Report – Dr. Jennings thanked the members for their support and informed them of his attendance on behalf of ACOEP at the AOA’s Annual Meeting and House of Delegates in July 2008.

Treasurer’s Report – Dr. Christiansen informed the membership that this meeting and the revenue it generated will assist the College in maintaining its dues structure for another year, but informed that while the dues have remained constant for over 7 years, a dues structure would be reviewed by the Finance Committee in the future and while we hoped to maintain the line on dues, increases may be inevitable. He also informed the members that during the next quarter the ACOEP would be relocating its office into an office that would allow them serve them better.

Executive Director’s Report – Ms. Wachtler welcomed the members and thanked them on behalf of the Board and the Staff of ACOEP to the meeting. She informed them that the membership has continued to grow and was nearing the 3000 mark. She informed them of changes being proposed as they moved forward into 2009, which would include moving the office, enhancing the website and making more information available on line.

Resident Chapter – Newly elected President, Jeremy K. Selley, D.O. thanked the College for its continued support of the Resident Chapter and presented goals for the upcoming year.

Student Chapter - Justin Arnold, President, introduced the newly elected officers of the Student Chapter and informed the Membership of the Chapter’s continuing efforts to promote emergency medicine on college campuses.

Foundation Report - Dr. Kuchinski informed the Membership that the Foundation had received support from several vendors for its awards at this Convention and thanked the membership for their continued financial support.

AOBEM – Dr. Staffin informed the Membership that this is his final meeting as Secretary to the AOBEM. He stated that he would be turning over the reins to Dr. Mark Stone who would be taking the office of Secretary effective January 1. He presented an update on the Board’s activities and the success of the first computerized Part I examination.

Inauguration of Officers
Dr. Bell issued the Oath of Office to Dr. Brabson who presented his inaugural address to the membership.

In his address Dr. Brabson addressed his focus for his Presidency that included member involvement in the committees and activities of the College. To address the specific needs of our osteopathic family
something that makes osteopathic emergency medicine special and unique. He also wanted to bolster and improve and expand the educational offerings of the College, and to encourage pride in our specialty and college. He encouraged the membership to contact him through the ACOEP website or through the office as he progressed in his office and encouraged anyone interested in serving on a committee to send a letter informing him of the committee they were interested in and their current CV as he would be making appointments through the first quarter of the new year.

At this time, Dr. Brabson announced the names of the newly elected Directors and asked the following physicians to stand and take the Oath of Office: Beth Longenecker, D.O., FACOEP; Mark Mitchell, D.O., FACOEP; Steven Parrillo, D.O., FACOEP and Duane Siberski, D.O., FACOEP.

Following the issuance of the Oath of Office, Dr. Brabson recognized Directors for their service to the College and awarded the plaques to:

- Peter A. Bell, D.O., MBA, D.O., FACOEP, for his service to the Board and College in the role of President for the 2006 – 2008 term.
- Paula Willoughby DeJesus, D.O., FACOEP, for her service to the Board from 1998 through 2008.
- Joseph J. Kuchinski, D.O., FACOEP, for his service to the Board from 1996 through 2008.

At this time, Dr. Brabson thanked the Members for their support and attendance. He asked if there were any questions of the Board or Staff and hearing none, entertained a motion to adjourn. A motion was made and duly seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Wachtler, BA, CBA
Executive Director