

American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Kierland Resort and Spa
Scottsdale, Arizona
April 8, 2010

MINUTES

Members Present:

Juan Acosta, D.O.
N. Dale Anderson, D.O.
Robert Anderson, D.O.
Michael Applewhite, D.O.
Alwin Arendse, D.O.
Justin Arnold, D.O.
Gregory J. Beirne, D.O.
Peter A. Bell, D.O.
Walter Bell, D.O.
Joseph Biondolillo
Charles Bloom, D.O.
Aaron Borland, D.O.
Thomas Brabson, D.O.
John Bradley, D.O.
Donald Brizendine, D.O.
Donald Brock, D.O.
Denise Buruse, D.O.
Victoria Camba, D.O.
Todd Cannon, D.O.
Michael Carney, D.O.
Robert Carpenter, D.O.
Terry Carr, D.O.
Barbara Celestina, D.O.
Michael Chapman, D.O.
Timothy Cheslock, D.O.
Mark Cichon, D.O.
Ronald Cohen, D.O.
Gregory Conrad, D.O.
John Cuhna, D.O.
Bethany Cummings, D.O.
Michael Dargay, D.O.
Jack David, D.O.
Brian Dean, D.O.
Paula DeJesus, D.O.
Philippe deKerillis, D.O.
Santosh Dixit, D.O.
Joseph Dougherty, D.O.
Carly Drahus, D.O.

Nana Dwomoh, D.O.
Anita Eisenhart, D.O.
Andrew Erlich, D.O.
John Everett, D.O.
Jon Finch, D.O.
Charles Finch, D.O.
Donald Findlay, D.O.
Michael Franklin
Kevin Franks, D.O.
Calixto Garcia, D.O.
Raul Garcia-Rodriguez, D.O.
Mitchel Garfield, D.O.
Leon Garner, D.O.
Brent Gear, D.O.
David Gearhart, D.O.
Edward Goetten, D.O.
David Goff, D.O.
Michael Guttenberg, D.O.
Dan Hampton, D.O.
Douglas Hill, D.O.
Michael Hoh, D.O.
Mark Horvath, D.O.
Chrisnel Jean, D.O.
Karen Jiles, D.O.
Julie Johns, D.O.
Wayne Jones, D.O.
Kevin Johnson, D.O.
Elizabeth Kassapidis, D.O.
Randy Kellenberger, D.O.
Michael Kelley, D.O.
Kelly Klocek, D.O.
Judith Knoll, D.O.
Drew Koch, D.O.
William Kokx, D.O.
Joseph Kuchinski, D.O.
Beth Kushner
J. Lakshmiopathy, D.O.
Paula Lange, D.O.
Elizabeth Langmore-Avila

Ronald Leckie, D.O.
Chad Lee
Jaime Lent, D.O.
Johanna Leuchter, D.O.
Kevin Loeb, D.O.
Beth A. Longenecker, D.O.
Annette Mann, D.O.
Gregory Massoud, D.O.
Julie Massoud, D.O.
Ronald McAdam, D.O.
Gerald McClellan, D.O.
Lynn McCoy, D.O.
Brian Miller, D.O.
David Miller, D.O.
Sarah Minor, D.O.
E. Scott Morrison, D.O.
John Murchison
Shaun Notman
Dean Nottingham, D.O.
Thomas O'Hare, D.O.
Hema Pandit, D.O.
Diane Paratore, D.O.
Jon-Pierre Pazevic, D.O.
L. M. Peterson, D.O.
James D. Polk, D.O.
Valerie Pollard, D.O.
Christopher Posey, D.O.
Abdulrahman Qabazard, D.O.
Eric Quimbo, D.O.
Denis Reavis, D.O.
Richard Reidy, D.O.
Jeffrey Richard, D.O.
Holly Ringhauser
Doni Marie Rivas, D.O.
James Rodriguez, D.O.
Otto Sabando, D.O.
Scott Schleifer, D.O.
Jeremy Selley, D.O.
Jane Sennett, D.O.

Martha Shadel, D.O.
Michael Sheehy, D.O.
Merlin Shriner, D.O.
James Shuler, D.O.
Duane Siberski, D.O.
Trent Smith, D.O.
Bruce St. Amour, D.O.
Matt Stiger, D.O.
Mark Stone, D.O.

Murry Sturkie, D.O.
Robert Suter, D.O.
Jeffrey Territo, D.O.
Harrison Tong, D.O.
James Turner, D.O.
Sherry Turner, D.O.
Jeffrey Umfleet, D.O.
Stephen Vetrano, D.O.
Eric Vinson, D.O.

Nicole Wadsworth, D.O.
Michael Ward, D.O.
Douglas Webster, D.O.
David Welch, D.O.
Bruce Whitman, D.O.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Thomas A. Brabson, D.O., MBA, FACOEP at 12:10 p.m. who welcomed the members and thanked them for attending not only this meeting but the Spring Seminar.

At this time, Dr. Brabson informed the membership that due to illness, President-elect, Anthony W. Jennings, D.O., has stepped down from his position as President-elect. In keeping with the Bylaws, the Board had a special session a few days ago and voted to extend Dr. Brabson's term in office to the fall of 2011. Additionally, Dr. Gregory Christiansen was elected to the position of President-elect. His term in office will begin now and go to the Membership Meeting in the fall of 2011. Dr. Mitchell will remain in the office of Treasurer and, in keeping with the Bylaws; Ms. Wachtler will assume the temporary duties of Secretary of the College.

Dr. Brabson explained that because of the intricate nature of the relationships that the President has to develop, it is important to give Dr. Christiansen sufficient time to get to know the other specialty college presidents as well as the AOA leadership. This only comes through exposure and time and by allowing him the additional year and a half, we should be able to accomplish this.

Dr. Brabson then went on to report on his activities during the past six month. Dr. Brabson reported that since the last meeting he attended the AOBEM's fall meeting and requested that the certifying board consider altering the EMS eligibility and fellowship criteria to include an online portion to augment the training and assist in board preparation. He was informed by the Board that it would not and could not incorporate disaster medicine into the name of the certification since this was not currently a recognized specialty/subspecialty with jurisdiction to the AOBEM. He reported that he and Ms. Wachtler attended an AOA Healthy Organization meeting in November and the Midyear Board Meeting in Phoenix.

Dr. Brabson stated that earlier this year, the Board held its Strategic Planning Retreat at which time a revised strategic plan was formulated for the College. The organization is very strong and definitely moving in the right direction with its programs and educational offering. The Committees need to be bolstered up and to develop certain governing policies, which will be worked on through the summer. He thanked all the committees for their work on these issues and hoped to have more advancement and involvement of members in the governance of the College.

Other issues that he was involved in have been the White Paper on the IOM Report rebuttal which will be published in July. Also of import has been the CMS ruling on the administration of anesthetic for

moderate to deep sedation and its requirement that it be done by physicians rather than nursing professionals.

Dr. Brabson also noted that he and Dr. Becher will be attending the FSMB meeting in Chicago on April 23, 2010 regarding certification issues with BCEM.

Secretary: Dr. Christiansen highlighted the recent occurrences within the Foundation and stated that severe changes have been made by the Foundation to rectify shortfalls in that agency. Currently and moving forward the ACOEP will re-assume management of the Foundation and Ms. Wachtler will assume the overall management responsibilities as Executive Director while Ms. Whitmer will assume the responsibility for day-to-day management.

Treasurer: Dr. Mitchell informed the Membership that revenues were down by approximately \$255,000 however even with that considered, the expenses of the College have been maintained and we are still showing a profit for this fiscal year. However, there will be expenses from this meeting and this event is the last event for the fiscal year.

Dr. Mitchell reported that in December 2009, the ACOEP underwent an audit of its 2008-2009 fiscal year as requested by the Board since we currently still have an open line of credit resulting from the money borrowed from the reserve fund to do the build out of our new space. The audit outcome was very positive finding only one adjustment needing to be made in our accounting. Procedures showed that although we are limited to number of employees with financial clearance, the College is exhibiting its due-diligence with the handling of College funds.

Director: Ms. Wachtler thanked the members for attending this event and informed them that we will be meeting here again in 2012, 2013 and 2015. In 2011 we will be at the Marriott Harbor Beach in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

The Office is currently focusing on the redevelopment of the Website and to assume management of the site. This redevelopment should be completed by the fall and will incorporate all features requested by the Membership in the Survey last year.

A major area of concentration for Member Services has focused on researching and expanding the member benefit package. Mandy Lundeen, Director and her Assistant, Brittani Eckhardt has worked to develop new agreements with McGraw-Hill's *AccessEmergencyMedicine*, EMedHome, WADEM, AARP, Bally Total Fitness and Sam's Club. The College is currently investigating disability insurance as a member benefit as well as partnering with the Western Journal of Emergency Medicine as a peer-reviewed journal for the members.

The Meetings and Conventions Department have been diligently working to secure the spring and Fall meetings in 2012. Staffed by Director, Kristin Wattonville and Executive Assistant, Erin Moore, the Department has done a yeoman's job securing our history of quality meetings.

AOBEM: Dr. Stone addressed the Membership and thanked the ACOEP for inviting him to attend and represent the Board. He stated that the COLA Modules have been developed for the 2011 course and will be available online in early 2011. He also informed the Membership that the COLA's would now be referred to by year not number to keep better track of the courses and credit. He announced that if

anyone had any questions concerning Board Certification he would be available following the meeting to meet with and discuss their questions.

Resident Chapter: Dr. Cheslock reported that the Chapter had a very successful meeting and is currently in the process of submitting their revised Bylaws for consideration and approval.

At this time, Dr. Brabson thanked everyone for attending and ended the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Wachtler, CBA
Acting Secretary
Executive Director