

**American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Hilton San Diego Bayfront
San Diego, California
October 6, 2013**

MINUTES

Members Present:

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The meeting was called to order by Gregory M. Christiansen,, DO, M.Ed., FACOEP-D, President of the American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians at 5:05 p.m. He welcomed the members to San Diego and asked them to repeat the Osteopathic Pledge that was in their handout. Following the recitation of the Pledge he entertained a motion to accept the Minutes of the April 5, 2013 Membership Meeting, hearing such a motion, he asked for a second. When the motion was moved and seconded a vote was taken to adopt the Minutes of the April 5th Meeting as written. The Minutes were passed as written.

Reports

President – Dr. Christiansen thanked the Membership for its support during his Presidency and thanked the Board and Staff of the ACOEP for their assistance and guidance during his two years in office.

He informed the Membership of the recent negotiations between the AOA and ACGME toward the development of a single pathway for accreditation of residency training. As many knew, the original Memorandum of Understanding was not accepted by the AOA's House of Delegates and more negotiations would be occurring in the fall and winter. However, the meeting between members of our CGME and representatives of the RRC for Emergency Medicine in April went well and it appeared that, while some changes would be made by both groups, they were aligned in their thinking.

To offer the opportunity for further faculty development the Program Directors Committee would be meeting with CORD in April 2014.

He spoke about a joint meeting of the leadership of the AACEM, AAEM, AAEM-SA, ABEM, ACEP, ACOEP, CORD, EMRA and SAEM to discuss GME funding opportunities, the single accreditation system, the evolution of ACOs and reimbursement.

Secretary – Dr. Prestosh thanked the Membership for its record turnout at this meeting and stated that the Board will be visiting many of the student organizations and residencies during the next year and hoped to visit all groups within the next three years.

Treasurer – Dr. Levy reported that as the fiscal year draws to an end the College appears to be in good health, however, with a lower turnout at last fall's Scientific Seminar the College may lose some funds. Currently with investments and through some early projects the College should break even for the budget year. The College recently adopted a budget for October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014 of \$3,010,000.

Immediate Past President – Dr. Brabson reported on his activity with EMAF and stated that this is the group that we need to maintain ties to ensure that our voice and membership are heard. Additionally he stated that he hoped his chairmanship with BOSS will provide a new advocacy arm for the College with AOA.

Student Chapter – Student Doctor Guthrie reported that there are 123 pre-registrants for the Student Chapter, which is providing Airway and Ultrasound labs as well as mock interviews. At this time 39 out of the 50 residency programs are planning to exhibit and participate in the Residency Fair. The FAST TRACK publication has been changed with the help of the ACOEP staff and its articles have been improved with editing and tweaking provided by Tom Baxter, Erin Sernoffsky and Jan Wachtler. The ACOEP staff has worked with the Chapter to redevelop a Chapter Handbook to standardized reporting and establishment criteria. The Bylaws were also presented to the Bylaws Committee and were withdrawn until they can be re-done and we anticipate that this will be done in the next few months.

She reported that the Board has visited with 8 Student Chapters since spring and thanked them for this and listed the chapters as follows:

- Dr. Christiansen for visiting AZCOM; ATSU-COM; COMP, and PCOM-GA
- Dr. Giesa for visiting PCOM
- Dr. Levy for visiting NYCOM
- Dr. Mitchell for visiting WVSOM
- Dr. Prestosh for visiting VCOM
- Dr. Siberski for visiting UNECOM
- Dr. Suter for visiting TCOM

Resident Chapter's Report – Dr. Megan McGrew Koenig reported the work done by the ACOEP staff behind the scenes and thanked the Board for its support of her personally as she completes her eighth year of involvement with the Student and Resident Chapters. The leadership within the Chapter has grown with the involvement of the Board and Staff and they currently have 156 residents registered.

She reported on the activities planned for the next few days which included a Panel Discussion with Young Physicians and the Leadership Conference.

Executive Director's Report - Ms. Wachtler reported that the pre-registration for the course was about 875 and thanked everyone for their attendance and support of the ACOEP.

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Foundation for Osteopathic Medicine – Dr. Sherry Turner, President of the Foundation for Osteopathic Emergency Medicine (FOEM) reported that the Foundation is doing well; its Gala has attracted well over 250 participants and thanked the ACOEP for providing tickets for its Fellows and Distinguished Fellows. She reported that the Foundation has supported a request called Research Quality Improvement Initiatives (RQII) that will assist in bring faculty development programs incorporating the research component into residency training beginning in 2014. She provided an overview of the finances of the Foundation and again thanked the ACOEP Board for its support and continued promotion of the Foundation.

At this time Dr. Turner announced the winners of the various Foundation competitions.

FOEM Research Study Poster Competition: First Place, Elizabeth Gannon, D.O., St. Vincent Health System for her study *Comparison of Intubation Modalities in Simulated Cardiac Arrest with Uninterrupted Chest Compression*. Second Place, Christopher Kormurek, D.O., Aria Health for his study *Are Emergency Physicians Too Aggressive with Empiric Treatment of Gonorrhea and Chlamydia in the Face of Rising Resistance?* Third Place, Andrew Keri, D.O., McLaren Oakland Hospital for his study, *Initial Antibiotic Therapy in Healthcare Associated Pneumonia*.

FOEM Clinical Pathological Case Competition: First Place (Faculty), Aaditya Desai, D.O., St. Joseph Regional Medical Center; (Resident) Xandus Chen, D.O., Aria Health. Second Place (Faculty), Nicole Maguire, Newark Beth Israel Medical Center; (Resident), Kristen Knowles, D.O., St. Luke's Hospital. Third Place (Faculty), Anaheita Kalantari, D.O., Aria Health; (Resident - Tie), Ryan Misek, DO, Midwestern and Justin McNamee, St. Joseph Regional Medical Center.

FOEM Oral Abstract Competition: First Place: Sarah Vitello, D.O., Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center for her study *Epidemiology of Nursemaid's Elbow*. Second Place: Natasha Powell, D.O., Newark Beth Israel Medical Center for her study *A Retrospective Review of the Use of Prenatal Sedation for Acute Agitation or Intoxication in the Emergency Department, an Evaluation of Safety*. Third Place: Sean Baskin, OMSIII, Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine for his study *Osteopathic Emergency Medicine Programs Infrequently Publish High-Impact Emergency Medicine Journals*.

FOEM Research Study Paper Competition: First Place: Ryan Misek, D.O., Midwestern University for his paper *Predictors of Psychiatric Board in the Emergency Department*. Second Place: Patrick Hughes, D.O., POH Regional Medical Center for his paper *Relation of Electrocardiographic Changes in Pulmonary Embolism to Right Ventricular Enlargement*. Third Place: Sofia Farooqui, St. Barnabas Hospital for her paper *Comparison of Hemoglobin Concentration in the Complete Blood Count and the Venous Blood Gas in Adult Patients with Acute Gastrointestinal Bleeding*.

Dr. Turner completed her report stating that awards for these competitions would be presented at the Foundation's Gala on Tuesday evening.

American Board of Osteopathic Emergency Medicine – Dr. Donald Phillips, Secretary of the American Osteopathic Board of Emergency Medicine (AOBEM) reported that effective September 1, 2013 any candidate entering the certification process will no longer be required to take Part III of the Board examination. Any candidate already in the system, e.g. 2013 graduates will complete the process under the standards and requirements in place when they began the certification process.

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He reported that effective immediately any candidate seeking a Certificate of Added Qualifications (CAQ) must hold primary certification in a specialty that sponsors the CAQ. For example anyone wishing to sit for the CAQ in Pediatric Emergency Medicine must be certified in either Pediatrics or Emergency Medicine. The examination process would no longer be available to a physician holding certification in another specialty area, by stating that he or she had worked sufficient hours in pediatric emergency medicine over a period of time. This may affect some Emergency Medicine certified physician seeking a CAQ in related fields in Internal or General Medicine.

As to physicians eligible for recertification, it has now been announced that these physicians may take their recertification test up to three years prior to or after certification expiration. If a physician participates in the test after their certificate expiration date, they may not call themselves a diplomate of the Board until they complete the recertification process; however, all certificates expire 10 years from the expiration date of the previous certification. (Example: If a certificant participates in the test in 2014, for a certificate expiring in 2017, his or her certificate will expire in 2027; not 2014.)

To facilitate the extension of the recertification dates, the AOBEM has put all the COLAs back online to allow recertifying physicians the ability to participate in the required number of COLAs to allow entrance into the recertification process.

Osteopathic Continuous Certification (OCC) has been approved by the AOA; these steps can be found on the AOA's website. Additionally, the AOA has now changed its requirements and specialty colleges are no longer required to approve appointments to specialty boards, however, AOBEM will continue to report its members to the ACOEP.

New Business

At this time in the agenda, Dr. Christiansen welcomed Dr. Mitchell to the podium and the Presidential Oath of Office was issued to Dr. Mitchell. Following the inauguration of Dr. Mitchell, he asked Dr. Christiansen to remain at the podium and presented him with the Past President pin and a gift from the College.

Dr. Mitchell's address thanked the forefathers of the College including Dr. Hambrick, Dr. Aranosian, Dr. Sarama and Dr. Field who gave of themselves so that the physicians sitting here today can practice and train in an environment that was conducive to learning and equal to those of their allopathic counterparts. Other presidents such as Dr. Becher, Vic Scali and Paula Willoughby DeJesus worked with issues like research and EMS and the installation of AEDs in airports and offices. Presidents like Tom Brabson, Greg Christiansen and Joe Kuchinski moved the College along through their advocacy and strong ties to governmental issues. Janice Wachtler has been a stabilizing force behind these presidents working daily to help members and the College. He recognized his wife, Laura, without whom he would not be able to pursue the office and who has afforded him the leeway to do so.

He stated that he will advocate for our members as 70% of hospital admissions come through the emergency departments nationwide and we are at the crossroads of inpatient and outpatient care and likewise our members need to advocate on the local levels for not only themselves but their patients and hospitals as we at the ACOEP cannot fight the fight alone. Members have to be involved and innovative to support those who come after us.

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Dr. Mitchell stated that these next years will be exciting as we move toward a single pathway for residency training accreditation, it will be an opportunity to develop new networks and attract new members. It will also be a time that ACOEP will become independently accredited to offer CME programs that are on par with other emergency medicine groups. He ended his speech telling the physicians it was a great time to be in medicine.

Upon completion of his inaugural address, Dr. Mitchell swore in the four members of the Board who were duly elected to the Board. They were: Juan F. Acosta, DO, MS, FACOEP, Anita W. Eisenhart, DO, FACOEP, Thomas Green, DO, FACOEP, David L. Levy, DO, FACOEP, M. Steven Brandon, DO and Kaitlin Fries. Dr. Mitchell also recognized outgoing members of the Board, Thomas A. Brabson, DO, MBA, FACOEP-D, Otto Sabando, DO, FACOEP, Megan McGrew Koenig, DO, MS, MBA and Ashley Guthrie.

The Board then entertained questions from the membership. These questions included:

What was ACOEP doing to provide research skills to Core Faculty? *The ACOEP and FOEM have partnered to develop a faculty development track at the fall and spring seminars beginning in October 2014 that will focus on building research skills for attendings.*

What is ACOEP doing to facilitate fellowship training? *The ACOEP has discussed this and will continue to discuss this at the GME level to create a different training paradigm (should ACGME merger not go through) and to work with ACGME to develop fellowship training at our institutions.*

The ACOEP's Board of Directors is not geographically representative of its members, how does the Board plan to deal with that? *The ACOEP Board is now more geographically represented than any time in the past, it currently has 15 members who represent the following states – Arizona (1), Illinois (2); Michigan (1); Mississippi (1); New Jersey (1); New York (1); North Carolina (1); Ohio (1); Pennsylvania (4); Texas (1); Washington (1). Additionally the Board make up includes clinicians, program faculty, college faculty, a student member and resident member.*

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John C. Prestosh, DO, FACOEP
Secretary