



The Florida Association of EMS Educators  
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## Association meeting minutes

April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 at 10am.

Reedy Creek Board Room, Orlando, Florida

President Griffin brought meeting to order at 10am. He stated this will be his last full meeting as President.

Meeting logistics were discussed for membership for two day workshop.

Louis Mallory – presented financial report

Membership is due this time of year. One thing that has helped, we now use PayPal so bills can be paid online. There is a fee associated to pay online, that is the PayPal fee. As of March 30<sup>th</sup>, 105 Members paid, and 3 corporate members paid.

President Griffin:

New Strategic Plan should be finished soon; the final changes have been made.

There was discussion about removing the HIV requirement for recertification and 4 hour initial program course, and thanks to Mac Kemp for keeping members apprised of legislative activity on bills that affect EMS. **As a late note – this bill died when session expired.**

For the future, we will have to prep earlier meeting with legislatures to use new EMS Education standards, this will require only minor changes.

Not going forward with EMR and EMT-I certification at this time. One Senator advised President Griffin that there would be little if any support for legislation that would increase state spending. There was more discussion about the certification of EMR and AEMT in the future.

DOE is doing curriculum frameworks update for EMR and EMT this year and EMT-I and Paramedic next year.

Rule link was put out 20 days ago for Rule package for ride times on fire truck, advancing EMT skills, ect.. President Griffin urged member to create a profile on the Florida Administrative weekly that will notify you whenever 64J or Ch. 401 is changed or has a proposed change. It is important to look at this information and stay abreast of changes that may be affecting our areas.

64j discussion – (5) (a) need to address the issue for wording in this section:

Motion was made by Louis to: To write a letter to FBEMS to strike the words “prior to in the implementation of this rule” 64j -1.0201 – 5(a) , Carlos second the motion. Motion passed.



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Relating to the Instructor rule; those that are exempt, have to document that somehow. Type a letter that your medical director signs that says that you met the exemption. Put the certificates with the letter and keep it in your file for Instructor qualifications. As far as the letter goes, it is certifying a date.

Jamie suggested that FAEMSE develop an exemption form, using the same process as was used to make the by-laws changes, to create a standardized reporting process, that would create a standardized form for all to use and document instructor qualifications. Jeff Harkam supplied copies of a form he created for review for membership.

President Griffin stated that NAEMSO has working to create a standardized form for reciprocity that each State will utilize.

President Griffin asked members to nominate someone for the awards, Program Director, EMT and PM Instructor, Preceptor and Con-Ed Instructor.

President Griffin suggested that one of the awards be conference fee to Eagles Conference in Dallas, Texas. Jane suggested that FAEMSE sponsor that award.

President Griffin stated that the association will install new board members at the July Meeting. Danny will open the meeting and then pass the gavel to the new President. Please make sure your email address is correct in the association database and then vote. We will take nominations from the floor today and then take nomination online until May 15<sup>th</sup>. Then we will have a nomination committee, Past president will be the chairman of the committee (John Todaro), bylaws in effect make Danny the Past President for this year. The president elect position is a six year commitment. This is the last time we will elect a President; in the future the President elect will become President after the two year term as President. President Griffin stated He, Jane Bedford and Rod McGinnis are term limited and will not be able to run for the same office. President Griffin stated the no one should be nominated without their consent. President Griffin stated that anyone running should understand the amount of work involved and the time commitment to the Association.

Nominations are open –

Angel asked that we find out who in the room is interested in being President.

Office of Secretary - Christine Clemmons is nominated.

Office of President – Elect - Sheri Turner has nominated by Nernia Stepanovsky. Jane Bedford nominated Angel Nadar.

Office of President – Nernia Stepanovsky nominated Rob Holborn.

Nominations closed.

President Griffin – we changed the bylaws to establish continuity for leadership. President Griffin requested that bylaws committee to continue to work on issues that are outdated in the bylaws. Louis Mallory used windows live so that everybody could see what was being done on the process.



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Jamie Green - bylaw reviews should be no less than every year. Louis was looking up when changes were made, Danny asked that this year we review them and determine if changes need to be made.

There will be another in-state national certification tests (NCEE) for instructors at ClinCon. Cost is \$150.00. Go on EMSECS website for text and the national outline. To take the test, must take a national instructor course, a state instructor course or equivalent approved by the board. Equivalent must include the course outline. Level I – 40 hours in the national course, the recertification is completed by continuing education.

There was discussion about recent site visits from CoAEMSP that focused on Medical Director participation and documentation. They looked for tracking documentation that students have completed assessments of newborns, all age categories. Preceptor training was reviewed. Advisory boards, how boards are staffed (i.e. key government officials, graduate student, do you share your learning outcomes with them). Minutes should reflect your learning outcomes. Look at every word in the standards as they are looking for every component.

The issue of Schools being charged for preceptors was brought up. Brevard County now charges for preceptors as a requirement by their union contract. President Griffin stated his service offered a 5% out of class pay for all preceptors used for students and orientation of new employees. A question was raised – “Does that make them faculty or college employees if paying preceptors?” Many comments made for this subject, if you pay for preceptors, make sure you get what you are paying for.

Nothing else for the Good of the Order.

Next meeting will be on Monday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010 in Orlando.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Jane Bedford and Danny Griffin.