

FAEMSE General Membership Meeting

1/23/2013

Call to order at 3:00pm

Welcome: All attendees were asked to identify themselves and what agency they represent so new members could begin to know everyone.

23 members, 15 guests in attendance

Review of the minutes: Louis and Chris are working to put minutes on the FAEMSE site. We will be working on the best way to identify members for voting purposes. Name badges when coming into meetings may be the answer. Motion by Danny Griffin, 2nd by Ken Moorhouse for vote on accepting the Oct minutes at next meeting was unanimous.

Executive Director Report:

Louis Mallory FAEMSE's financial status is good. Checking account is within balance and we have positive cash balance for year-end December 31, 2012. We also have a positive cash balance in our PayPal account for year-end 2013. 2013 Membership dues are due and invoices are being sent out.

We are working on the "Members Only" page which should be going live shortly. All "current" members will have password access.

Articles of incorporation are in review for the FAEMSE Foundation and will be submitted to the state for a 501(c)(3) charitable corporation. We hope to have the Foundation in place and the website for the Foundation up and running sometime this summer.

Membership as of December 31, 2013

13 corporate members (*Please support our Corporate Members*)

144 active members

Reports from the Board:

Rickey Stone Instructor Rule will be posted FAW next week and then finally be implemented.

Discussion covering disclosure to paramedic students about attending schools without CoAEMSP accreditation, addressing reciprocity issues.

Danny Griffin Representative Perry is sponsoring house Bill 195 covering all the changes for forward motion to the National Education Standard. The search is on for a Senate sponsor for the bill. A few minor wording changes were made to clean it all up, definition of ALS & BLS to mirror each other,

95/98 curriculum and definitions improved to allow for transition time. Florida has no scope of practice in law.

Discussion of strategic plan

Chief Bixler Positions at the state level have been reorganized. Chief's jobs have been reclassified. EMS is now a program. EMS maintained after all is said and done. Chief Bixler applied for the position of Emergency Medical oversight.

Discussion concerning vague language of statute 456 & 401 (EMT's and paramedics as a profession) concerning PRN professional resources network (impaired professionals) statute 456 may have bigger implications down the road.

MQA = subcontractors to certify and recertify

Discussion – about a board of EMS and that the costs would be passed on through certifications.

Currently all questionable acts by EMS personnel are handled on a case by case basis and discipline is controlled by our own EMS group.

Question about where paramedic students fell no conclusion was drawn for certain.

Danny Griffin Refresher training, discussion about educators receiving CEU's for time spent in the classroom. Acceptance of CECBEMS needs to be recognized through rule.

Rickey Stone NREMT exams could become exam at anytime without warning, it would take 6 months to implement. Current exam is very expensive to maintain.

NREMT will not decrease skills exam until after next AHA role out in 2015.

Dollars for exam will come out of the students pockets.

Florida will only be adopting the initial NREMT certification.

Discussion of NREMT skills exam and the ensuing costs

Discussion of including reciprocity in the bill so if you took NREMT exam anywhere you would receive reciprocity in the state of Florida.

Mike Flanagan Instructor rule stalled due to lawyer turn over at state. We have till July 1 2013, we must comply with the current rule until update goes through if it doesn't happen by July 2013 then we are in trouble.

Currently looking good for the State April meetings to occur

Andrea Brody EMT & Paramedic State of Florida minimum curriculums. EMT is done and went relatively quickly paramedic is going to take some time; also there are mirroring issues within the two curriculums. The committee will continue to work and meet again. Marcy Heatherington reported 5 of the paramedic groups have reported back. Andrea thanked the committee for all their hard work.

Mike Flanagan Held discussion with group referring to the EMT Florida State Minimum curriculum stated it had been posted for comment he has heard nothing from anyone.

Angel Nater Simulation conference next week, The Florida simulation group is working on networking, membership, & training.

Jane Bedford Community paramedic, there is much interest, and possible funding opportunities in the future.

Louis Mallory Discussion surrounding CoAEMSP annual report. Nerina Stepanovsky made a motion to send a letter to CoAEMSP to move annual report to March 1st. 2nd by Angel Nater. Motion passed.

Louis and Rickey will work on creating some kind of a data base of student's employers

Elections coming up watch list serve around April

Motion to adjourn Danny Griffin 2nd Rod McGinnis - meeting Adjourned