

Georgia State Council Emergency Nurses Association Minutes:
July 13, 2002 , Stockbridge, GA

Members Present:

Randy Huey, President-Metro Atlanta
Sheri Leslein, President Elect-Heart of Georgia
Cathy Cribbs, Treasurer-Coastal Empire
Maureen Merson, Secretary- Metro Atlanta
Ann Roonan-Heart of Georgia
Jon Kent-Heart of Georgia
Lynn Stuart-Coastal Empire
Nancy Capponi-Metro Atlanta
Linda Denhardt-Coast Empire
Meeting called to order@ 12:10pm.

Minutes approved with correction of contact site for Brian: webmaster@georgia.ena

Treasurers Report: Account balance reported to the council.

Randy dispersed packet of information: ENA council and state chapters insurance liability synopsis, message from national calling for 2003 committee members, call for faculty for 2003 Scientific Assembly, Networking groups at Annual Meeting 2002, announcement of expansion of US Coast Guard Boating Injury Study, Call for Abstracts for 2003 Annual Meeting, order form for ENA Benchmark Guide ***Note this packet on file with the minutes.

Committee Reports:

Pediatric: Still working on newsletter for website; to promote summer safety issues this issue. Did not receive any response from request for pictures of nurses in action, was hoping to get pictures to feature in a video to promote Georgia ENA. Still not getting evaluations from ENPC courses.

Trauma: Hospital in Dalton wants help for TNCC course in Oct. Also have been contacted by an agency looking for TNCC instructors for agency nurses.

Membership: Have been contacted by someone interested in chapter in the NE GA area. Membership form has been distributed in some Savannah area hospitals to try and increase interest/membership.

Government Affairs: A congressional appointed committee with U.S. General Accounting Office (GAO) was in Atlanta June 17-19. They are visiting 7 cities around the country to investigate ED overcrowding and diversion issues. Visited Crawford W. Long and Henry Medical Center. Also had an open hearing in Morrow. Maureen attended to represent ENA. Other reps were from GA EMS, GA Hospital Assoc., couple of ER MD's, Pres. of GA ACEP, and GA Diversion Website. Informal interactive discussion where they took notes of various problems, potential solutions, "how things go on in GA" with these issues. Have since been contacted by one of the committee members requesting if GA ENA had any position papers or studies regarding these issues. Did respond that we did not have this info. but did refer her to ENA national website position papers.

ENCARE: ENCARE annual state meeting Aug. 17 at the LaQuinta Inn in Macon. Speakers arranged: Shepherd Spinal Center and Rehab from Gun Injury; Father who lost son to DUI crash. Also, new Gun Safety Program will be presented. Liberty Mutual and Better Homes and Gardens will be working with ENCARE in Atlanta Aug. 17 & 18 to sponsor a child passenger safety checkpoint 11a-3p (North Point Mall area) Looking for ENCARE/ENA members to help do safety seat checks. Barbara Foley has resigned her position as ENCARE Director. Effective July 31 but will stay on part time until the end of the year.

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Chapter Reports:

Chattahoochee Valley-no report available

Coastal Empire- meeting held 6/25, new officers elected

Golden Isles-no report available

Heart of Georgia-May meeting had small attendance, next meeting July 23, 2002.

Had successful ENCARE booth at Colonial Mall in Macon.

Showed the gun program video, dispensed 100 gun safety locks, and information on Child Passenger Safety program and Alcohol programs

Metro Atlanta-no recent meetings

Northeast Georgia- no report, someone in the area interested in getting the chapter started again.

Northwest Georgia-no report available

Savannah River-no report available

Southwest Georgia-no report available

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