

Georgia
State Council Meeting
August 27,2004
Macon

Emergency Nurses Association, Georgia

Members Present: Lynn KallFelz, President- Coastal Empire

Ann Roman,Secretary- Heart Of Georgia

Chris Gisness, Treasurer-Metro Atlanta

Deidra Markarian- North Georgia

Michelle McPhillips-Chattahoochee

Beth Hudson-Weires-Heart of Georgia

Mary Anderson- Coastal Empire

Ann Meredith- Coastal Empire

Sheri Leslein- Heart of Georgia

Patricia Deslate- Heart of Georgia

Diane Studstill- Heart of Georgia

Rebecca Holmes- Coastal Empire

Cathy Cribbs- Coastal Empire

Linda Denhardt-Coastal Empire

Nancy Capponi- Metro Atlanta

Sandy Dudek- Metro Atlanta

Sharon Knox- Chattahoochee

Anita Watson-Southwest Georgia

Jennifer Heyer- Southwest Georgia

Judy Thomas- Heart of Georgia

Mary Thacher- Metro Atlanta

Introduction and Celebrations-Members present noted above. Chris Gisness was congratulated on her election to the ENA Board of Directors.

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Minutes approved of the May minutes.

3.

Treasurer's Report: Balance from May= \$ 27,130.38

Deposits= 7,014.00

Expenses:

(SESS & SESS Paperwork= \$ 6893.88

Balance as of Aug. 27= \$27,250.50

4.

Committee Reports

a.

Encare- Rebecca Holmes –committee chair reports there are several things affecting Encare funds. Sonya Self has left the Governors office of highway safety. Becky wrote a grant to the department of highway safety but ran into deadline problems when UPS did not deliver the paperwork in a timely manner causing the deadline to be missed. Becky has contacted UPS and tried to contact Spencer at GOHS to find how this is affecting our chances to receive the grant money and possible restitution by UPS if the grant is not processed due to the missed deadline. Becky also reports due to several factors she has not been able to personally give as many ENcare presentations as she has in the past. Everyone who instruct patients/public on safety issues or give out ENCARE Brochures needs to send those numbers to Becky to report to national and help her with grants. Numbers are needed to justify Funding. State Encare has about \$6,000.00 in the bank and she is saving this money to obtain ENCARE supplies for chapters who need them. Becky also invited everyone to the State Encare meeting in the morning. The guest speaker will be Jenny Hardy who created and pushed for passage of Madison's bill which increases the law for booster seat usage to kids up to age six.

b.

Government Affairs- Chair not present

c.

Membership-Diedre Markarian president of the North Georgia chapter was introduced and gave a report on her chapter. Melody Drake is the Secretary/treasurer of this chapter. Diedre reports that they have their second meeting planned for September 15th at Northeast Georgia Medical Center. She has sent out invitations to all hospitals in her area. She has planned an EMTALA inservice

Michelle McPhillips the president of the Chattahoochee chapter was introduced. Chris Jones is the president-elect. They had their first meeting June 1,2004. Michelle is actively seeking contacts at the other 3 hospitals in her area. Michelle has plans for a meeting on October 16th to celebrate Emergency Nurse Week. So far she has lined up 6 speakers and vendors . She is sending out flyers to promote the event and was given information on how to post this on the Georgia ENA website.

Nancy Capponi reports that Metro Atlanta chapter is back.

Sheri Leslein membership chair reports that Sharon Gayler of the Northwest Chapter has requested information to restart that chapter.

Sheri passed around the non-assigned members to chapter presidents to claim members in their areas.

Sheri also reminded the board per the January meeting that we voted to give each new chapter an \$100.00 incentive and this was given to the Chattahoochee and northwest chapter presidents.

Sheri reports now we need to find contacts interested in revving the Savannah, Golden Isle and Southwest chapters.

d.

Trauma- Sandy Dudek (chairman) reports that 6 TNCC instructors scored below the required 3 on their course eval. Letters mailed to the instructor urging them to contact the director of their courses. Jan and Sandy were able to verify errors in the evaluations forms and reinstated 4 of them as instructors and national was sent the information. One person decided to longer be an instructor. The 6th instructor never responded to the letter. ENA was notified the name of that instructor and he is removed from the TNCC instructor list, unless he contacts Jan or Sandy.

e.

Pediatrics- Nancy states that 45-50 instructors need the ENPC update class. Nancy did a class in Macon today which 10 instructors attended. The new course starts November 1st. The notice of the start date is on the website and letters have been sent to all instructors. Nancy is willing to teach the course and will come to your area to teach. She has a class in Cartersville Oct. 16th and is going to Athens in mid September.

f.

Research- Beth states that ENA has a Recreational Boating Study project. To find out more information on this go to the ENA website.

g.

Nursing Practice- Committee chair not present.

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5.Chapter Reports

1.

Education- Mary Thatcher committee chair plans for someone to speak at the November state meeting on the Five Level Triage and is looking into obtaining CEU's for this presentation. Mary to also follow-up with the sponsor of the Infectious disease inservice she did to find out where the money the chapter should have received from this is. Coastal Empire.- Lynn reports that they had lots of participation at their June meeting. A drug rep provided a presentation. 14 members were present. Next meeting is in October at Becky's house.

2.

Heart Of Georgia- Beth reports the chapter has had a great year and lots of fun. At the last meeting a Drug rep. sponsored a meal for 35 members who attended. Committee chairs bring information to share to the meetings. The chapter continues to give away 1-2 ENA memberships per meeting. So far they have given away 7 memberships and have seen interest of the graduate nurses who have been attending the meetings. Lynn Kalljfel attended the May meeting.

3.

At this point Mary Anderson made a proposal that the State Treasurer be the signer and keeper of a list of local Chapter treasurers and banks so that there will be no lost funds or records in the future. And this proposal will start on January 1st.meeting. Included in this proposal was that each chapter treasurer will submit an balance report and bank signature card for the State Treasurer by the January meeting. And an biannual local chapter treasurers report will be submitted to the State Chapter since the local chapters don't have their own tax ID number. This proposal was voted and approved by the members present

Old Business :

SESS- The next annual meeting will be in Charleston from April28th to May 1st, 2005. Lynn has already sent out the first set of vendors letters. Two vendors have already confirmed and sent in their checks.The only money outstanding from the 2004 vendors is a \$1000.00 check from ENA for their booth at the 2004 SESS. There is still an outstanding payment to be made to John Curtis for the piping and drapes. The vendor committee will looking for volunteers to work the vendors booth later in the year. Georgia will be mentoring Florida for their turn with vendors in 2006. In 2006 Georgia will be the host state foe SESS. The committee will be looking at site and bring information to the November meeting. Lynn to arrange a conference call for the committee to discuss possible sites. Chris Gisness the SESS treasurer is still finishing up the SESS bookkeeping.

CATN- Lynn did a CATN course in Augusta in Savannah and taught the new updated course. Lynn also followed up with ENA regarding the who owned the rights to the old CATN course taught in Atlanta in June and was told the old course belong the course instructors. Since there is a new course now the issue regarding the old course taught and the State's obligation to reimburse for the cost of the old course is obsolete.

New Business:

Sheri Leslein proposed that the Georgia State Council donate to the ENA foundation and provide an item for the Scientific silent auction.

It was voted and approved to contribute a silent auction item valued at \$500.00 and to donate \$2500.00 to the ENAF.

General Assembly: 26 people applied to be delegates.

Georgia

Metro Atlanta- Nancy is trying to decide where and when to have a meeting. And has a speaker lined up. She has packets ready to send out to current and unassigned ENA members. Nancy has had difficulty locating the past treasurer. will have 12 delegates and 2 alternates. This is the first time we will take a full delegation.

The delegates are Mary Anderson, Nancy Capponi, Sandy Dudek, Chris Gisness, Becky Holmes, Beth Hudson-Weires, Lynn Kallfelz, Sharon Knox, Sheri Leslein, Ann Roman, Mary Thatcher, Jan Turner, and the alternates will be Deidra Markarian and Ann Meredith..

The agenda for the general assembly is September 28th - delegate registration at 6pm.

2pm-5pm ENA board of directors meeting-open to everyone

7pm State Council ,Chapter leaders reception

7:30 pm new delegate orientation

September 29th - 8am opening session

Chris Gisness will be presented with a Pillar award at the Anita Dorr Luncheon.

Lynn

It was voted and approved based on the formula of reimbursement of 1/2 room rate for 2 nights and average travel expense plus \$50.00 a day for the 2 days for food that the reimbursement for each delegate will be \$800.00 to paid on the last day of general assembly.

The group was interested in looking into a pin that each delegate could wear to identify us as being from Georgia. Diedre is to search the internet to look for ideas.

The nomination letters for president-elect for 2005 have not been sent out yet so the election will be postponed until the November meeting in Stockbridge. Lynn will go ahead and submit our next year leaders to national with exception of the president-elect by October 31st. Lynn to remind Bob Young our current president-elect to get the letters of nomination out ASAP.

passed around the packet she downloaded from the ENA website on the Blue Ribbon Commission II proposed bylaws and Amendments that the delegation will be voting on. All delegates should receive this in the mail soon or can go the website to review. All delegate should review these in advance of September 28th and make a list of questions/ concerns so we can discuss these on the 28th so we have an organized list to present if needed.