

MINUTES FROM THE SOUTH DAKOTA ENA MEETING

February 2, 1998

Telemedicine Video Conference

The February 2, 1998 meeting of the South Dakota Emergency Nurses Association was called to order at 4 PM in Sioux Falls with transmission via the Telemedicine Network System Rural Health Policy to Aberdeen, Rapid City, Watertown and Yankton.

The following members were present: Aberdeen: no one, Watertown: Carol Fonken, Karla Strege, Yankton: Liz Schuldt, Michelle Leibfarth, Rapid City: Pat Sortland, Sioux Falls: Mindy Laflin, Clara Johnson, Jill Wiesner, Monica Huber, Roine Claussen, Bette Gustafson, and Paula Vogelsang.

Minutes were approved from the October 8, 1998 meeting with one date correction. Motion to accept made by Clara Johnson and seconded by Roine Clausen. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Expense-Income Statement enclosed. Current Balance of 2-2-98 is \$8351.34. Discussion was held regarding Income & Expenses for Emergency Nurses Day, Oct. 1997. Clarification made by Jill Wiesner that the net expense for that day was \$384.39. A recommendation was made by Clara Johnson to change the word "income" on the Expense Statement to read "deposit", motion made by Clara Johnson and seconded by Liz Schuldt to approve treasurers report. Motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS: Bette Gustafson

Lila Schaefer and Carol Fonken have agreed to co-chair the Governmental Affairs committee. Bette highlighted some concerns being discussed at the National level.

- Hospitals restocking ambulances run the risk of violating the Federal Anti Kick Back Law.
- The number of uninsured children is on the rise. There was an increase of 800,000 from 1995-96.
- There is a publication available for \$5.00 that assists facilities in developing protocols for domestic violence.
- There is a consumer Bill of Rights and Responsibilities that was compiled by the Presidents Advisory Committee at the National Level.
- There is a study in progress regarding the use of Nurse Practitioners and Physicians Assistants in the rural setting due to lack of physician coverage.
- Needle Stick Bill: Requires hospitals to use only hollow bore needle devices. (part of the 1997 Health Protection Act.) —

INJURY PREVENTION: Monica Huber

The Injury Prevention Symposium will be held in Dallas in 3 weeks. On the Senate floor tomorrow will be Senate Bill 68. It is the Child Safety Restraint Bill that requires 17 year olds and under to be in restraints. Five year olds and under need to be in restraints appropriate to weight and age. Please call your legislator or Senator with your support. The local numbers are: House -773-3851; Senate-773-3821 and Fax-773-4576. May 6 is the local Child Safety fair in Sioux Falls. Monica Huber asked Bette Gustafson to have Christi Mitchell-Miller to send out information on the Safe Kids Coalition Committee to Watertown and Yankton.

PEDIATRIC COMMITTEE: Mindy Laflin

The Child Safety Fair will be held May 6 in Sioux Falls. The ENPC instructor course to be held this year will be late summer or early fall. The ENPC provider course will be held March 23 & 24 in Sioux Falls, May 16 & 17 in Rapid City and another tentative May date TBA in Sioux Falls.

TRAUMA COMMITTEE: Clara Johnson

The CATN class will be held March 4 and 18, 1998; there are 13-14 participants. There were 17 TNCC provider courses in 1997 and 2 TNCC-1 courses. A course was approved and paid for last fall and was cancelled. That money will be applied to the May course. Include the course number on checks to National ENA.

REGIONAL SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS:

Aberdeen: no report

Rapid City: Pat Sortland reports upcoming ACEP conference February 26-27 in Spearfish.

Watertown: no report.

Yankton: No report but plan to attend future CATN and ENPC courses.

OLD BUSINESS

Bette Gustafson would like to send two nurses to Nurses Day at the legislature. There would be money available in the budget to fund some nurses to go. Lila Schaefer and Carol Fonken have agreed to co-chair the Government Affairs Committee. If there is any interest by other ENA members in participating in a committee, contact any committee chair. The South Dakota ENA Bylaws were formally approved and signed by National ENA Jill Wiesner discussed the issues of bonding state ENA officers. The ENA State Officers in Texas are bonded. The purpose of bonding is ~~only~~ to protect officers in issues surrounding bylaws. *and fraudulent misappropriation of funds*

NEW BUSINESS

There was an error made on the last mailing with the new SD-ENA PO Box 108, not 106. The 1998 Proposed Budget was reviewed and discussed. Bette has been looking into letterheads and stationary. She proposed \$300.00 for office supplies. ENP-I course will have changes in 1998; unsure at this time of cost; more research will be done on this. Monica Huber made a motion to accept the Proposed Budget with a hole left for ENPC-I. Mindy Laflin seconded the motion. Approved unanimously. ENA has done some restructuring at the National level. There is a push for more involvement at the grass roots level. They would like members to commit to short term work groups. In the October, 1999 ETC there was more information on this. Monica Huber will be speaking at the ENCARE and ENA Injury Prevention Symposium being held in Dallas in 3 weeks. This is being held in conjunction with the ENA Leadership Symposium. Nominations will be accepted for President elect. The elections will take place later in the year. The term would begin in the year 2000. The fall National Conference will be held in Denver in September 10-13. We have money for the President and 2 other members to attend as delegates. Applications will be sent out with a copy of the minutes. If there are more applicants than delegates, we will use criteria on applications to choose. We will set a deadline for these in April or May. Raffle tickets are available for the Great Getaway Benefit Raffle. The next South Dakota ENA meeting will be June 1, 1998.

There being no further business a motion was made by Clara Johnson and seconded by Yankton site, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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