

Minutes from the South Dakota ENA Meeting  
February 2, 1999  
Telemedicine Video Conference

The February 2, 1999 meeting of the South Dakota Emergency Nurse's Association was called to order at 4pm in Sioux Falls, SD, with transmission via Telemedicine Network System Rural Health Policy to Aberdeen, Rapid City, and Watertown.

The following members were present: Aberdeen: Cheryl Hairgrove, Watertown: Lila Schaefer, Karla Strege, Rapid City: Lorraine Whitehead, Pat Sortland, Sioux Falls: Paulette Kirby, Bette Gustafson, Jill Wiesner, Clara Johnson, Tom Berg, and Paula Vogelsang.

Minutes were approved from the October 14, 1998 meeting with three corrections. Motion made to accept by Tom Berg and seconded by Clara Johnson. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Review of current balance and recent expenses were provided by Jill Wiesner. In 1998, the projected and actual money spent was very close. Last month some of the expenses incurred were stamps and stationary, ENPC update: \$330.00 and \$715.00 for the upcoming May CATN class. Our current balance on February 2, 1999 is \$7,259.45.

Committee Reports

Governmental Affairs: Lila Schaefer

Lila reported on her trip to Pierre for Nurse's Day at the Legislature. She now realizes the importance of all the nursing organizations. SDNA's importance became very apparent. Brett Koeneke lobbies for the SDNA. There was a bill killed on the floor the day she attended in regard to Certified Nurse Midwives. On February 10<sup>th</sup> there will be a bill introduced in regard to diabetes mandated coverage. 40,000 people in South Dakota have diabetes. One half of the total inpatient costs in the state are from diabetes. There is also the Managed Care Bill that is in relation to the five managed care organizations in South Dakota. The driving force here is consumer protection. On the second day of the trip to the legislature, the morning was spent with committee hearings. One of the hearings was in regard to the problems with uninsured drivers. There was a tour of the Capital in the afternoon. Carol Fonken was ill today and unable to give the Washington Update review. For those interested, the Ecetera has bills that have recently been passed.

Injury Prevention: Tom Berg

Tom Berg has agreed to chair the Injury Prevention Committee this year. In the proposed budget, he has asked for \$800.00 to be used in the upcoming year. The emphasis this next year will be on car seat safety, gun safety, ENCARE and the Polaroid Domestic Violence Program. Safe Kids has a four day training session coming up April 21-24, 1999. The cost will be \$35.00 per person. If you need to stay in town while attending the training session, the state will pay for lodging at the Ramada Inn. Applications must be received by March 1, 1999. Paulette Kirby asked if ENA could sponsor a couple of people to attend. Clara Johnson asked that if the ENA sponsored a couple of people to the training session, could we then sponsor an event under the umbrella of the ENA? Tom Berg feels this would be possible. Bette Gustafson requested a motion to send two ENA members to this training. Clara Johnson made a motion that the South Dakota ENA sponsor two ENA members to the Safe Kids training session with the stipulation that they assist with one workshop per year. Motion approved unanimously. Safe Kids Coalition is also purchasing a trailer at approximately \$5000.00 to store cones and other gear.

Pediatric Committee: Paulette Kirby

The ENPC update has been completed. We currently have 17 ENPC instructors in the state. There will be an instructor course this spring, dates need to be negotiated. A May date seems most likely. The question was asked do people need to take the new provider course before they can take the instructor course? Paulette Kirby will check into this. Discussion was had in regard to the possibility of having no ENPC provider or instructor courses until updated materials are available.

Trauma Committee: Clara Johnson

There is a spring CATN course planned for May 19-20 in Sioux Falls. The course continues to go over well. There have been two TNCC Instructor courses planned but both have been cancelled due to low number of applications. Clara asked if she should have a course for two people? The books are already purchased. Pat Sortland added that she has two people wanting to take the course. Clara feels that May will be a possible date. Clara will put together brochures and send them out.

Regional Special Interest Groups

Aberdeen: No report

Rapid City: Pat Sortland asked if there is any information on the Trauma Conference on April 8. Clara Johnson will be mailing out flyers this week. Clara invites ENA to put up a booth. Clara and Jill will work on a booth.

Watertown: No report

Sioux Falls: Pat Sortland was asked and accepted responsibility to be a South Dakota ENA board member at large. Cheryl Hairgrove volunteered to do the newsletter. Tom Berg is also willing to help with this. Cheryl's E-mail address is Hairgrove Cher @ Hotmail.com. Please send information to Cheryl at this address.

#### Old Business

Bette Gustafson requested a written report on Nurse's Day at the Legislature from Lila Schaefer and Carol Fonken. The Committee members are as follows: Government Affairs: Lila Schaefer and Carol Fonken; Pediatrics: Mindy Laflin and Paulette Kirby; Trauma : Monica Huber and Clara Johnson; Injury Prevention: Monica Huber and Tom Berg.

#### New Business

An overview of the 1999 budget was given by Jill Wiesner. There was discussion about the upcoming expense of a TNCC update and also how the TNCC course is a major provider of funds. There was a motion made to accept the budget made by Clara Johnson and seconded by Tom Berg. Motion passed unanimously. Operating Guidelines: In 1997 the SD ENA bylaws were formulated and approved. There is still a need for some guidelines for some of the events that come up during the year. Two sets of guidelines currently worked on are General Assembly Delegation and Emergency Nurse's Day. Copies of these will be sent to members with the minutes of the meeting. Bette suggested that another set of guidelines to be worked on would be election of officers. Jill and Clara will collaborate with Darlene and have a draft copy for the meeting minutes. There was discussion of a possible issues forum in August to give the delegates to the General Assembly some input. The dates for our upcoming meetings will be June 1, 1999 and October 13, 1999(Emergency Nurse's Day). Tom Berg and Pat Sortland have agreed to help with Emergency Nurse's Day. Pat Sortland announced the ACEP Conference will be March 4&5, 1999. She will mail brochures.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Paulette Kirby and seconded by Tom Berg. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary  
South Dakota ENA