

# SOUTH DAKOTA



South Dakota ENA Meeting Minutes  
February 27, 2001  
4:00 PM

**Telemedicine Sites:** Physicians Plaza, Aberdeen  
Sioux Valley Hospital, Sioux Falls  
Prairie Lakes Hospital, Watertown  
Avera Queen of Peace Hospital, Mitchell  
Regional Hospital, Rapid City

On February 27, 2001, at 1600 the spring meeting of South Dakota ENA was called to order by President Cheryl Hairgrove.

**Members Present:**

Aberdeen: Cheryl Hairgrove, Tammy Dohman, Monica Eske  
Sioux Falls: Jill Wiesner, Clara Johnson, Mindy Laflin, Margie  
Wiebers, Francie Miller, Cindy Baldwin, Tom Berg  
Watertown: Jody Foster, Carol Fonken  
Mitchell: Kathy Haack  
Rapid City: Pat Sortland, Nancy Devries

**I. Secretary's Report:**

Minutes from the October 12, 2000, meeting were mailed to the membership. Motion and seconded to accept minutes as published. Motion carried.

President Hairgrove announced the newly elected secretary is Kathy Haack of Mitchell.

**II. Treasurer's Report:**

Available funds	\$6535.91
EN-CARE designated funds	<u>\$ 181.00</u>
	<b>\$6716.91</b>

Further information on the treasurer's report was deferred to New Business to include discussion of the 2001 budget.

**III. Committee Reports:**

**A. Government Affairs Committee:** Report deferred to Old Business to include report of Nurses' Day at the Legislature.

**B. Injury Prevention Committee:** Tom Berg reported on the activities of the Injury Prevention Institute. The members of the committee have been very active in the various programs which were established.

The Alcohol Prevention committee has written a grant proposal for monies to be used in programs related to alcohol prevention.

There will be a Child Passenger Safety class to train individuals in proper safety seat installation in both Rapid City and Sioux Falls. The course in Sioux Falls will be held in conjunction with the Sioux Falls Fire Department.

In relation to Gun Safety, Tom reported that every ENA member can receive 100 gun locks free of charge from the National Organization. A form to be used to request these will be printed in the next newsletter.

Tom requested that any programs related to injury prevention be reported to him so SD ENA can receive the proper credit for them. Information on Injury Prevention programs will be published in the next newsletter.

The ENCARE Injury Prevention Training will be held on April 9, 2001, in Sioux Falls. SD ENA members were mailed the information regarding this program. Registration is due by March 15, 2001. Faculty for the program is Monica Huber, RN, BA, who is currently at the national training session.

Responsible Party: Tom Berg

- C. **Pediatric Committee:** Mindy Laflin reported there will be ENPC Provider Courses held this year in Sioux Falls, Rapid City, and Huron. She reminded all coordinators to send a copy of the summary performance reports to her so she can keep track of the number of participants trained in our state. There will not be an ENPC Instructor Course held this year due to budgetary concerns.

Responsible Party: Mindy Laflin

- D. **Trauma Committee:** The TNCC matching grant program was approved by the membership at the October meeting. The \$4000 will be used to disseminate TNCC-P to those hospitals with 50 or less beds. Letters were sent to the DON's of the appropriate facilities. The first grant was given to train 7 nurses from Mobridge at a cost of \$1050. An application was submitted to the National organization to provide additional monies to support this program. We have received a letter of support and expect to receive \$250. No TNCC Instructor Course will be held during this year in light of our budgetary concerns.

A CATN Course has been tentatively scheduled for June 7-8, 2001, in Sioux Falls. This may need to be held at an institutional level instead of at a convention facility. It may be necessary to increase the fees to \$150 for ENA members and \$165 for non-members.

Responsible Party: Clara Johnson and Monica Huber

- E. **Regional Special Interest Groups:** No report.
- F. **Newsletter:** The next newsletter will be mailed about one month after our meeting. Any articles and ideas are welcome, including educational classes scheduled.

Responsible Party: Tammy Dohman

#### IV. Old Business:

- A. **Nurses' Day at the Legislature:** Carol Fonken and Lila Schaefer attended this program as representatives of SD ENA. Carol reported on three bills introduced which SDNA supported. They were concerning health insurance coverage for prostate cancer, safety belt use for minors, and tobacco funding. This session provided an excellent opportunity to meet and visit with our state legislators.
- B. **Call for Committee Members:** President Hairgrove has received a letter inviting members to become involved in committees at the National level. Anyone interested should contact Cheryl. Cindy Baldwin expressed an interest in participating on the Trauma Committee.
- C. **ENA Leadership Symposium / ENCARE & Injury Prevention Conference:** Monica Huber is currently attending this program. She will report at the next meeting.
- D. **Conference of State Presidents:** No report as Jody Foster did not attend due to the financial restrictions we currently face. She will e-mail the minutes of the conference. The primary concern of National ENA at this time is the financial state of the organization. SD ENA is not receiving their TNCC and ENPC assessments at this time. We are receiving the membership assessment.

#### V. New Business:

- A. **Budget:** Due to the current financial crisis which the National ENA organization is experiencing, we need to look at realistic assessment amounts which we will receive as a state organization. SD ENA needs to be proactive in their vision of the future. Based on the information we currently have, we can expect to receive only \$500 in membership assessments, with no money from TNCC/ENPC assessments. With our current balance, we need to revise our budget for 2001. The Board of Directors meet by teleconference in a special meeting on February 15, 2001, to discuss this issue. Based on the recommendations, a revised budget proposal is attached. Motion by Clara Johnson, seconded by Jody Foster, to approve plan B as our budget. Motion passed.

Discussion followed regarding the feelings of the membership that we are ill-informed in relation to the financial crisis. Cheryl presented a synopsis of the problem as reported to the state presidents by National ENA. They found discrepancies in the amount of \$250,000 when a new CFO was hired. Francie Miller expressed concern about how this could have happened in such a short time. The general consensus is that our state membership deserves an explanation from the National Board of Directors regarding their plan to correct the problem. President Hairgrove will draft a letter and encourages the membership to submit suggestions.

- B. **General Assembly Delegation:** No monetary support will be offered to attend this session. We are entitled to send 3 delegates based on our membership. Members are encouraged to attend if possible.
- C. **Emergency Nurses' Day:** October 12, 2001
- D. **Meeting Dates for 2001:** Our summer meeting will be held on June 4, 2001, via telemedicine. Our fall meeting will be held on October 11, 2001, in Chamberlain in conjunction with our SD ENA Educational Conference.
- E. **"Buckle-up America Week" May 22-29, 2001:** This is a project which we need to support as an organization. President Hairgrove will forward information to the Governor. All members are encouraged to contact their local newspapers. Additional information is available from the National Traffic Safety Bureau.
- F. **2000 State CEN Challenge:** All members should encourage their ED coworkers to take this exam and become certified.
- G. **SD ENA Fall Conference:** The date has been set for October 12, 2001, at Cedar Shores Resort in Chamberlain. Clara Johnson has reserved two rooms which will seat 100 people. If we have vendors present, there will be an additional charge of \$10 per table. Members are encouraged to solicit sponsors for speakers or meal functions. Information will be published in the next newsletter. There will be a telemedicine meeting of interested parties on May 1, 2001, at 0800. The fee will be determined by the June, 2001, meeting.

#### VI. Educational Opportunities by Site:

- A. **Aberdeen:** Cardiac Conference - April 27, 2001  
TNCC - July 19-20, 2001  
ACLS - March 20, 2001  
PALS - March 39-30, 2001

B. **Rapid City:** ENPC - date to be determined  
TNCC - April 25-26, 2001  
TNCC - May in Pine Ridge

C. **Watertown:** No report

D. **Sioux Falls:** Avera McKennan Trauma Symposium - April 6,  
2001  
Child Safety Courses

E. **Mitchell:** No report

**VII. Other Business:**

A Jill Wiesner proposed that the minutes of meetings and other appropriate information be sent via e-mail if possible to hold down costs of postage. A form will be included in the next newsletter for members to update their mailing addresses and e-mail addresses. These forms should be sent to Kathy Haack.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1705 by President Hairgrove.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Haack, RN, CEN  
Secretary