



Southeast EMS Directors Association
540 McCallie Ave.
Chattanooga, TN 37347



The April 24, 2009 meeting of SEEMSDA was hosted by Erlanger Health Systems at their main hospital facility.

Attendees: Larry Billingsley, Ken Wilkerson, Tony Finnell, Perry Rogers, Sonia Roberts, Joel Dishroon, Marshall Ruth, Paul Feaster, Danny Lawson, Amy Maxwell, David McBurnett, Janie New, Nita Jernigan, Bruce Collins, Jeff Roberts, Beth Jordan, Dewey Woody, Ken Wilkerson, John Combs.

Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Vice President Bruce Collins at 12:25 pm.

Opening Announcements:

Minutes were provided by Secretary Perry Rogers in document form which was accepted by vote.

Financial Report: hard copy statement provided by Treasurer Jeff Roberts. SEEMSDA total of \$33,141.65 minus CSTCC balance of \$3,044.90.

Committee Reports:

Board of Directors-No Report

Communications-No Report

Conference-Amy reported that this year's conference was the best in several years. There were about 100 attendees for this year's conference. The committee is currently evaluating topics for the 2010 conference. Amy expressed thanks to everyone who helped in this year's event.

Education Institutions:

Chattanooga Fire Dept: Bernie reports no new developments.

Chattanooga State: EMT practical slated for May 18-19, 2009

Cleveland State: Has EMT test scheduled for May 12, 2009 for 48 students. Janie is planning an accelerated class over the upcoming summer.

University of the South: No report.

TASA:

Larry Billingsley gave update on some bills that TASA is watching. HB 1998 is bill trying to get increase in TennCare reimbursements. Medical Directors conference is Oct 5 and reimbursement conference is Oct 6-7, 2009.

T.C. Thompson:

No Report.

MedComm/RMCC:

Sean Cloud encourages use of the HRTS program. THAN is the new notification system that is up and coming for our area.

Homeland Security:

Dewey Woody gave update on multi-county/state 800 MHz radio system and expects system to be functional by fall of this year.

EMS Board/Staff:

Nita asked that she be notified that a severe weather event (i.e. tornado) occur in your area. Nita expressed her thanks for the conference and all those who participated in the event.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

The topic of obtaining the status of 501-C3 organization was discussed. The executive committee may be asked to evaluate obtaining the tax status.

Amy Maxwell has asked to get PayPal account open and functional prior to next year's conference. (501-C3 number required).

John Combs brought up discussion about having meetings at different regional locations.

Schedule next meeting: June 18, 2009 at Rib & Loin at 12:00 noon.

Adjourned at 14:00