

General Meeting Summary for
Florida Association of Rural EMS Providers, Inc.

Date: January 24, 2013

Location: Ocean Walk Village, 100 North Atlantic Avenue, Room 201A, Daytona Beach, Florida

Board Directors Present: Donna Akin*; Robert Clayton; Chris Drum; Allen Parrish; Mike Patterson

Others Present: Julie Bacon; Jeannine Brooks; Danny Griffin; Robert Eyes; Jason Kimbrell; Eddie Szyrzyk; Dennis Ward; Toby Witt;

Staff Present: Tracy Burger

*Indicates participating via phone.

AGENDA ITEM	SUMMARY/DISCUSSION	ACTION
Call to Order	Board Meeting Mike Patterson called the meeting to order.	The meeting was called to order at 9:02 am.
Introductions/Roll Call	Allen Parrish took roll of Directors present. A quorum was established.	Information
Consideration of Minutes from October 3, 2012	Minutes were reviewed.	Robert Clayton moved and Donna Akin seconded that the minutes be approved as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
Financial Report	Donna Akin gave this report: P&L Statement and Balance Sheet ending December 2012 show a balance of \$56,418.12	Information
State Office Reports	A. Bureau of EMS No report. B. Office of Rural Health No report.	Information
Regional Representative Reports	A. Region I—Tommy Baker No report. B. Region II—Chris Drum Chris is working on organizing a regional meeting in late February or early March. Air Methods is sponsoring that meeting. Danny Griffin and Dr. Pete Gianas are possible speakers. C. Region III—Robert Clayton Robert is working on a regional meeting. His medical director was recently elected to the Florida House of Representatives and may be a possible speaker.	Information

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Staff Report	<p>Tracy Burger gave this report:</p> <p>A. Survey The biennial survey was completed last fall. Key findings include: a very low staff turnover rate probably due to the down economy; significant increase in agencies using outside billing agency; training needs of PHTLS, Farmedic and PALS; most valued benefit of FAREMS membership is scholarships then networking opportunities.</p> <p>B. Scholarships Another round of scholarship applications are due February 22 with review of March 6 and awardees notified by March 15th.</p> <p>C. ASLS Texts We have ASLS texts and training manuals available for agencies that want them. They are a few years old. Tracy will ship them out to anyone who wants them.</p> <p>D. Community Paramedicine. The pilot community paramedicine program in Putnam County will be coming to close this spring. A report will be generated detailing what worked and didn't work. We will possibly be sending two paramedics through online CP course out of Hennepin Tech.</p> <p>E. Web Training We are working with SafetyNet to upload online content and get the site ready for testing in March.</p> <p>F. Membership Referring to handout, Tracy indicated there are now 17 2013 agency members. She will work with Regional Reps to contact nonmembers to join and come to regional meeting.</p> <p>G. Newsletters The next FAREMS newsletter will be going out at the end of next week. Please send Tracy any suitable content.</p>	Information
Old Business	None	Information
New Business	<p>A. New CISM Team Allen Parrish announced that new CISM Team is being formed in NCF and is looking for volunteers and funding. Chris Drum noted that mental health training for personnel is critical and often overlooked. This topic will be discussed along with other training possibilities on a conference call next week.</p> <p>B. Leadership/Management Training The ORH has funding for FAREMS to do some leadership or management training. This has been discussed as a need for many years among members. A conference call will be scheduled next week to discuss options for rolling out.</p> <p>C. Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Danny Griffin mentioned that EMSAC has been working on EMS management training resources at the State level. 	<p>Gwen Howard moved and Chris Drum seconded that the 2012-15 FAREMS Officer slate be accepted as presented. The motion passed unanimously.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Julie Bacon informed the group of pediatric safety training coming to rural counties that will include equipment. • Robert Clayton will be part of the State Data Review Committee representing rural agencies. • Robert Clayton mentioned he was having issues with a staff member whose license was suspended due to nonpayment of child support. Directors need to be notified of this. It was suggested that FAREMS submit letter requesting such notification. The group agreed and a letter will be drafted. <p>None D. Next meeting—Possibly April 2013</p>	
Adjournment		The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 am.