

**Delaware Emergency Nurses Association
Meeting Minutes September 3, 2013**

Location: Christiana Care Hospital

Attendance:

Deena Brecher, Garry Collins, Pam Collins, Meriam Dennie, Susan Ebaugh, Ruth Morse, Susan Palmer, Kara Streets, Anita Symonds, Terry Thorley, Lisa Wile

Guests: None

Excused: None

Meeting called to order by Kara Streets at 1855 hrs. Quorum present so meeting may proceed.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

Minutes for the August meeting are pending.

Motion: Deferred to October meeting. Seconded.

9 yes 0 no 0 abstained. **Motion passed.**

President's Report (Streets):

The Christiana Emergency Department Forensic Nurse Examiner team has won the 2013 ENA Team Award! Congratulations!

Discussion was held about where to hold the meetings in 2014. The "northern" meeting will be moved to the Middletown Emergency Department. The "southern" meeting will remain at KGH. The group suggested we also hold one "northern" meeting at AI DuPont and one "southern" meeting at Beebe Medical Center.

All delegates are reminded to complete both training sessions located on the ENA website.

State Presidents Conference call: Two states have now made violence against health care workers in the ED a felony: Texas and Maryland.

Ballots for the DENA elections will return to Pam Collins. Will be sent this week.

Advocacy grants are available from National. Forms and instructors are available on the www.ena.org site for anyone interested in applying.

Treasurer's Report (Palmer):

Checking account: \$29,235.00

CD account: \$6,707.00

Motion: To accept Treasurer's Report. Seconded.

9yes 0 no 0 abstained. **Motion passed.**

Emergency Nurses Week gift (bags and portfolios) will be delivered to Terry Thorley's house and various members will pick up there for distribution to members throughout the state.

There was discussion regarding shirts for delegates and core members. The turquoise shirt with blue and white logo was a favorite.

Motion: To purchase turquoise shirt. Seconded.

9yes 0 no 0 abstained. **Motion passed.**

Government Affairs Committee (Mitchell):

No report.

Education Committee (Dennie):

11th Annual DENA Conference on Wednesday, October 30, 2013:

The brochure is now available on the DENA website. www.de-ena.org

Pam Collins reports that confirmed vendors are Heart to Hart, CCHS, Gideon, and Stryker. Will re-send information to list of potential vendors.

The breakfast and lunch will be a buffet. Snack bags will be included in the conference attendee bags. The evaluation will be done electronically via Survey Monkey. There will be raffle for two free conference registrations for 2014.

So far only one poster submission has been received. Will email membership again and encourage submissions. Information is available on the DENA website: www.dena-ena.org Abstract submissions are to be mailed to Meriam Dennie mdennie@christianacare.org

Decision for lunch menu Roast Beef and Chicken.

Registrations are coming in.

Membership Committee (Morse):

Currently 242 members. This is a 4.8% increase! 7 memberships expired end of August.

TNCC (Thorley):

7th Edition of TNCC will be out beginning of 2014 with full implementation May 31, 2014. The provider book cost has gone up to \$75.00. There will be no one day re-certification course.

ENPC (Ebaugh):

Conference Call: TNCC revision is due out early 2014. A pilot testing of the new course will be held at National.

ENPC is doing better. National is in the process of reviewing the test for question validity. Any adjustments or changes will be released later this year – possibly in the 3rd quarter of 2013.

IQSIP (P. Collins):

Received water bottles from Delaware Injury Prevention.

Old Business: None

New Business:

(Streets) The bylaws and resolution to be voted on in General Assembly were reviewed. The consensus of the group was support for the delegates to make decision at General Assembly based on information presented. Advise non support for GA13-014 Evidence-Based Standards for Lifelong Learning. The group was divided on GA13-08 Eligibility Requirements – Background Checks.

Open Discussion:

(Brecher) Donna Mat of AI DuPont was awarded a \$5,000.00 scholarship from ENA. Congratulations Donna!

(Morse) Special Olympics is scheduled to be held in Philadelphia September 2014. DENA should consider active participation.

Adjournment: 2010 hrs.

Motion: To adjourn meeting. Seconded.

9 yes 0 no 0 abstained. **Motion passed.**

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be Tuesday October 8th, at Kent General Hospital in the General Foods Conference Center. Education committee meets at 1800 hours with the business meeting at 1900 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Thorley, Secretary