



**Wisconsin EMS Association**  
Board of Director's Meeting MINUTES  
Friday, July 23, 2021 at 0800-0930

1. Call to Order – Brian at 0800  
Attendance:
  - i. Present: Tony Lash, Brian Donaldson, Jamie Stephenson, Chansé Kaszmarski, Jay Young, Becky Smudde, Bob Salov, Pam Nelson (joined at 08:26), Evelyn Dax (joined meeting at unknown time)
  - ii. Not Present: Jody Stoker, Stacey Zellmer
  - iii. WEMSA Staff: Alan DeYoung
  - iv. No Association Members in attendance.
2. Approval of the Agenda – Brian – Move by Tony, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jamie, No discussion. Motion Passes.
3. Approval of Minutes – TBD – Move by Jay, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tony, No discussion. Motion Passes.
4. Welcome and Introductions – Brian
  - a. Member Comments (limited to 3 minutes per member commenting not to exceed 15 minutes total)
    - i. Not Present: Jody Stoker, Stacey Zellmer
    - ii. Present: Tony Lash, Brian Donaldson, Jamie Stephenson, Chansé Kaszmarski, Jay Young, Becky Smudde, Bob Salov, Pam Nelson (late 08:26), Evelyn Dax joined meeting late (unknown time)
5. Consent Agenda
  - a. Advocacy – Brian
    - i. Josh K Resigned as Chair due to time constraints.
    - ii. State Budget Medicaid Reimbursement at 80% Medicare should double amount providers are getting.
    - iii. Cap Removed for LOS awards
    - iv. FAP funding increased
    - v. Current Session ends in 7 months. Work to cultivate relationships with our representatives.
  - b. Education – TBD
    - i. Chair position is open
    - ii. Ops 21 in August. Registrations are starting to come in.
    - iii. WEMSA 2021 in October process is continuing
    - iv. Webinars being pushed out; Podcasts are a little harder to get out
    - v. LOS Program – Working with Horton Group in producing a webinar to give overview of the program. Likely will be out in late September 2021
    - vi. JDP – Background Screening provider. Webinar on September 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - c. Finance – Jay
    - i. Committee continues to meet weekly to monitor financial position.
    - ii. MCW payback progressing with final payment to be made in November
    - iii. Ryan's reconciliation of books should be completed soon. Will have an accurate picture of our financial status at that time.
  - d. Foundation – Tony
    - i. Meeting later today.
    - ii. Need to fill out the membership of the committee. Working with some interested individuals. If you know of someone with interest and experience in foundation or fundraising, give the contact information to Tony.

- e. Membership – Jamie
  - i. Membership Drive
    - 1. EMP – Giving \$300 discount on the Members first order.
    - 2. Mailing to all non-member services in the state.
  - ii. Would a summary of our legislative agenda being sent to all EMS agencies be something that would be an incentive for agencies to join? (Forbes weekly notice in a condensed format)
- f. Publications – TBD
  - i. Discussion on Magazine distribution for appropriate coverage and controlling costs.
- g. Memorial – Brian - No new information. Group will be getting together soon.

**Note as we are organizing the Board for the Current year, let Brian know of your interest in serving on our committees. Give additional names for those who may be interested in serving to Brian as well.**

Motion to accept Consent Agenda by Tony, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jay, No further discussion. Motion passes

- 6. Operations Report – Alan
- 7. Old Business: None
- 8. New Business
  - a. IC Council Representative – Motion to approve Kirk Gunderson as WEMSA’s Representative on the IC Council, Moved by Tony, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Evelynn. No Further Discussion. Motion Passes.
  - b. TIME Coalition Representative – Discussion. Becky expressed interest. Motion to approve Becky Smudde as WEMSA’s Representative for the TIME Coalition by Bob, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jamie, No Further Discussion. Motion Passes.
  - c. Speakers Ad Hoc Committee – Discussions around what is required of this committee. Brian Donaldson volunteered to be part of it. Evelynn Dax, Jamie Stephenson and Tony Lash volunteered.
  - d. Keynote Speaker Options – Mr Baseball (Bob Uecker); Rep. Loudenbeck/ Rep. Felzkowski; Forbes; and Michael Perry were mentioned as suggestions.
  - e. Board Officers Election –
    - i. Bylaws require the Vice President and the Treasurer to be selected in 2021. Motion to reappoint Jay Young as Treasurer and Jamie Stephenson as Vice President, Moved by Tony; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Salov; No Further Discussion; Motion Passes.
    - ii. Due to the Secretary position being open, the remaining portion of the Secretary term needs to be filled. Tony Lash was nominated by Jamie Stephenson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Becky Smudde; No further nominations or discussion; Motion Passes.
  - f. Other New Business – None.
- 9. President’s Report – Brian had to drop off meeting to attend another meeting and turned the chair over to Jamie. No report.
- 10. For the good of the Association - comments and announcements.
- 11. Adjourn – Moved by Bob, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Evelynn to adjourn 09:34

**Next Meetings**

- a. August 20, 2021: 0800-0930 hrs, Ops21 Leadership Event, Rothschild, WI (will have virtual option)
- b. September 24, 2021: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference
- c. October 29, 2021: 0800-0930 hrs, WEMSA 2021 Conference (will have virtual option)
- d. November 19, 2021: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference (due to holiday)
- e. December 17, 2021: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference (due to holiday)
- f. January 28, 2022: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference
- g. February 25, 2022: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference
- h. March 25, 2022: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference
- i. April 22, 2022: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference
- j. May 27, 2022: 0800-0930 hrs, video teleconference