

The Foundation for Osteopathic Emergency Medicine
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Conference Call
November 27, 2012

Minutes

Members Present:

Peter Kaplan – Vice President
Sherry Turner, D.O. – Treasurer
Mike Allswede, D.O.
Steve Hollosi, D.O.
Victor Scali, D.O., FACOEP-D
Robert E. Suter, D.O., FACOEP-D, FIFEM
Janice Wachtler, BA, CBA, Executive Director
Douglas Webster, D.O., FACOEP-D
Stephanie Whitmer, Director of Development

Not Present:

Juan Acosta, D.O., MS, FACOEP – President
Joe Kissinger, CASE
William F. Lynch, Jr.

Others Present:

David Levy, D.O., FACOEP – ACOEP Board Liaison

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. by Peter Kaplan – Vice President in the absence of Juan Acosta, D.O., MS, FACOEP - President. He welcomed the new board members to their first meeting of the Foundation for Osteopathic Emergency Medicine. This would also be the last meeting of 2012.

Run for Research

On April 3, 2013 the 2nd annual FOEM 5K Run for Research will take place in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Because the event was coordinated by the hotel staff last year, this year's event will pose more of a challenge. Ms. Whitmer is working with Lt. Sousa of the Ft. Lauderdale Police Department to take care of any necessary permits and set a course for the run. The board decided to raise the price of the event to \$50.00 per runner, but it was discovered after the call that the Spring Seminar brochures already printed the price as \$35.00. Therefore, announcements were made that the "early bird rate" of \$35.00 will expire after March 4 and then the price will go up to \$50.00. In order to avoid confusion, the board decided that any attempts to attract a sponsor for this event must be brought to the attention of Stephanie Whitmer.

Case Competition

The 2013 Case Study Poster Competition will take place on April 3, 2013 in Ft. Lauderdale. In order to encourage quality, the board decided to only accept the top 25 posters. Stephanie Whitmer volunteered to inform all residents and Program Directors of this change. The deadline to apply is January 31, 2013 at which point the FOEM Research Grants and Awards Committee – Drs. Acosta, Allswede, Bescherer, Scali, Suter, and Webster - must screen the papers and have the results back by February 15, 2013.

Evaluation Forms

The board discussed the need to update the evaluation forms used for competitions. The criteria should be weighted and statistics should be run on the numbers after the fact to find out which criteria affect who wins. Some sections will probably be taken out and others added to add more variability to the scores. The board decided to look at the CORD EM forms for comparison. Dr. Allswede, Dr. Bescherer, and Dr. Hollosi volunteered to come up with a pilot form and the board will vote on it at its next conference call in January.

Committees

At the February 2012 Strategic Planning Retreat, the board came up with the following committees: Professional and Public Awareness, Research Grants and Awards, Faculty and Professional Development, FOEM Research Network, Resource Development, Event Planning, Finance and Audit, and Executive and Board Development. The board needs to decide who will be on which committees, and whether or not to open these committees up to the general membership base. If so, it could be an effective way to cultivate new board members.

FOEM Research Network

Dr. Scali informed the board that 20 out of 45 programs have responded to the survey, but the numbers are slowing down. According to feedback from the programs, the segregated totals section of the survey was too hard to track down so Dr. Scali decided to remove it from the survey for now to encourage programs to become involved. Ms. Whitmer volunteered to update the tool and resend to the programs that have not yet responded. Dr. Scali stated that a large cardiology group is interested in using the FRN to evaluate a new device (MCG) to be used in evaluation of unselected chest pain patients or mimic equivalents of ACS.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Whitmer
Assistant Executive Director