

The Foundation for Osteopathic Emergency Medicine
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Conference Call
February 26, 2013

Minutes

Members Present:

Juan Acosta, D.O., MS, FACOEP – President
Peter Kaplan – Vice President
Rudolph Bescherer, Jr., D.O., FACOEP
Steve Hollosi, D.O.
Joe Kissinger, CASE
Victor Scali, D.O., FACOEP-D
Janice Wachtler, BA, CBA, Executive Director
Stephanie Whitmer, Assistant Executive Director

Not Present:

Sherry Turner, D.O. – Treasurer
Mike Allswede, D.O.
William F. Lynch, Jr.
Robert E. Suter, D.O., FACOEP-D, FIFEM
Douglas Webster, D.O., FACOEP-D
David Levy, D.O., FACOEP – ACOEP Board Liaison

The meeting was called to order at 2:04 p.m. by Juan Acosta, D.O., MS, FACOEP - President. A motion was made to accept the minutes from January 22, 2013. The motion was duly seconded and the minutes were approved as written.

5K Run for Research

The 5K Run for Research has 35 people signed up so far, and the logistics of the race are being handled by Ms. Whitmer, with help from the Ft. Lauderdale Police Department, and Ft. Lauderdale Conventions Bureau. Promotional items are being ordered this week and the pledge forms have been sent to all runners.

Case Study Poster Competition

The 2013 Case Study Poster Competition will be sponsored by Premier Physician Services this year, thanks to Dr. Hollosi's connections with the company. Because of his affiliation, he volunteered to emcee the event and will work with Ms. Whitmer to make sure all their sponsorship needs are being met.

Legacy Gala

Dr. Scali has been talking with Dr. Jim George – President of TeamHealth – in hopes that they will sponsor the 2013 Legacy Gala at the \$40,000.00 rate. Ms. Whitmer sent Dr. George a FedEx package with all of the promotional items from last year, as well as the prospectus for this year. Ms. Whitmer is also in the process of sending out “upgrade letters” to the people that are on the cusp of receiving an award.

CAMC Grant

Dr. Hollosi reported on the publication status of the FOEM Funded CAMC project. As of January 31, Dr. Sirbu of Charleston stated that they may publish in either an emergency medicine journal (Annals of Emergency Medicine) or a nursing journal. If they do, they must give the Foundation acknowledgement. If not, FOEM may publish their research in The Pulse.

FOEM Research Network

Dr. Scali reported that the FOEM Research Network is still collecting information from the ACEOP programs. At the time of the call, 22 out of 48 programs had responded. Dr. Scali has also been working closely with Premier Heart in their development of a multifunctional cardiogram device. Several members of the FRN are interested in being study sites for the piloting of this device in an ER setting. The protocol will be out within the next 2 – 3 weeks and Dr. Scali will give a full report in April. Premier was impressed by ACOEP and FOEM and may be willing to develop and exclusive licensing of the product between ACOEP/FOEM and Premier Heart. This could be a new revenue stream for the Foundation. FOEM needs to look into any legal implications of this potential licensure.

Cabo Raffle

Dr. Webster donated one week in Cabo as his Legacy Gala contribution in 2012. As of right now, the FOEM staff is creating marketing material for a raffle that will run from March – May to win the week in Cabo. Raffle tickets will be \$100.00 each.

100% Program Challenge

The FOEM board decided to change the duration of the 100% Program Challenge to run from July – September annually. The FOEM staff will market this competition at the Spring Seminar.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Whitmer
Assistant Executive Director