

Foundation for Osteopathic Emergency Medicine
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
April 21, 2014
Conference Call
Minutes

Members Present:

Sherry Turner, D.O., FACOEP, President
Juan Acosta, D.O., MS, Ph.D., FACOEP-D, Immediate Past President
Peter J. Kaplan, President-Elect
Michael Allswede, D.O.
Rudolph Bescherer, Jr., D.O., FACOEP
Joseph Kissinger
Victor J. Scali, D.O., FACOEP-D
Robert Suter, D.O., FACOEP-D
Janice Wachtler, BAE, CBA, Executive Director
Stephanie Whitmer, Assistant Executive Director

Not Present:

Steve Hollosi, D.O.
William F. Lynch, Secretary

Others Present:

Mark Langdorf – Editor of WestJEM

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m. by Sherry Turner, D.O., FACOEP – President. A motion was made to accept the minutes from February 25, 2014. The motion was duly seconded and the minutes were approved as written.

WestJEM Report

Mr. Langdorf reported that WestJEM is willing to assist the Foundation in any way possible, and that they will be sponsoring the FOEM Research Paper Competition in October. Due to the upcoming Single Pathway Accreditation, WestJEM intends to help facilitate publications by Core Faculty as well as Junior Residents.

President's Report

Dr. Turner reported that the Competition Guidelines are almost complete. The budget, policies and Bylaws have been finalized, and Dr. Webster's term as Treasurer has expired and he is no longer a member of the Board. A new Treasurer will be elected in May.

President-Elect's Report

Mr. Kaplan reported that his focus is now on the Legacy Gala and that he is looking 4 – 6 years out as we are growing at a rapid pace. He recommends the Board start thinking long term and solicit the right people. As Incoming President, it is his goal to make sure the tremendous momentum continues.

Treasurer's Report

As there is no Treasurer at this time, Ms. Whitmer reported that the budget has been finalized and the changes reflect the higher costs of Las Vegas. A motion was made to accept the 2014 FOEM Budget as written. The motion was duly seconded and the motion was approved.

RQII Report

Dr. Allswede reported that all Faculty Development Course materials are on his portal at www.allswede.org. The most significant change since the original document is the Single Pathway Accreditation, which is a boon for the Faculty Development Course because it would mean Core Faculty will need to publish one research project every 5 years. He reported that the curriculum is a mix of academic and research topics and that the course topics are stand-alone, but will mutually support and interdigitate. It will be similar to the EMBRS course. At the time of the meeting, the confirmed speakers are Dr. Butler, Dr. Scali, Dr. Christiansen, Dr. Allswede, and Dr. Langdorf. It was suggested to record the course and make it available online.

FRN Report

Dr. Scali reported that a steering committee has been established that is made up of Dr. Acosta, Dr. Turner, Dr. Allswede, Dr. Spohn, Dr. Lewis, and Dr. Bradley. The committee has a high research IQ and has done a lot of independent research. Dr. Scali suggested that FOEM solicit a pharmaceutical representative to go to institutions to promote the FRN. He also noted that the research triangle in North Carolina is a tremendous area to tap. Several pharmaceutical companies have already been approached and that it might be time to spend money to get the name out, possibly via Centerwatch. A quote from Macree Data was requested in order to build an official standardized FRN Database. For a \$16,000 initial investment, the company will develop an iPad based data collection system with its own server that is encrypted to meet HIPPA requirements. Dr. Scali stated that he will finalize the copy for the website, have Ms. Wachtler approve it, and establish its own URL before the next meeting.

Board Terms & Nominations

The Board decided to reinstate board term limits. It was suggested that Dr. Acosta, Dr. Turner, and Mr. Kaplan will expire in 3 years; Dr. Suter, Dr. Scali, and Mr. Lynch will expire in 6 years; and Dr. Hollosi, Dr. Bescherer, Dr. Allswede and Mr. Kissinger will expire in 9 years. This will be voted on at the May conference call. The Board reviewed the CVs of 2 new Board member candidates, Dr. Aimee Blagovich and Dr. Shelly Zimmerman-Damon. A motion was made to accept the nominations of both candidates and elect them onto the Board. The motion was duly seconded and approved.

Legacy Gala

Mr. Lynch reported that he will set up a meeting with the Event Planning Committee in June. The Board decided to create two new brackets for awards in order to bring a new group of donors into the mix. A \$500 annual donation and a \$2500 lifetime donation are now award levels that will be officially named and announced after the Event Planning Meeting.

The Board decided to change all future conference call times from 2 p.m. (CST) to 9 a.m. (CST).

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Whitmer
Assistant Executive Director