

## **AMERICAN COLLEGE OF EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS**

### **Freestanding Emergency Center Section Meeting**

10/17/16 - 10:00am-12:00pm

Las Vegas, NV

### **Minutes**

#### **Section Member attending all or part of the meeting:**

Arthur Christian Abello, Jr, MD, FACEP; Jeffrey R Beers, MD; Dennis Bernier, DO, FACEP; Peter Andrew Brokish, MD, FACEP; Lisa M Bundy, MD, FACEP; Harvey Castro, MD, FACEP; Andy Chen, MD; Cedric Dark, MD, FACEP; John R Dayton, MD, FACEP; David C Ernst, MD, FACEP; Douglas J Evans, MD; Cyril E Gillman, MD; Walid Hammad, MD, FACEP; Nathaniel T Hibbs, DO, FACEP; Robert John Hitchcock, MD, FACEP; Victor S Ho, MD, FACEP; Bashar Abdulrahman Ismail, MD; Hortencia G Luna-Gonzales, MD, FACEP; Jeffrey McWilliams, MD, FACEP; Craig Meek, MD, FACEP; Carrie de Moor, MD, FACEP; Uchenna K Ojiaku, MD; Zane Preston Osborne, MD; Setul Girishchandra Patel, MD; Arturo Portillo, MD, FACEP; Gillian Schmitz, MD, FACEP; Edward Shaheen, MD; Ralph N Terpolilli, MD, FACEP; Gerad A Troutman, MD, FACEP; Jay Robert Woody, MD, FACEP; Erin Simon, DO, FACEP; and Richard Joe Ybarra, MD

**Staff attending all or part of the meeting:** David McKenzie, CAE

#### **Additional guests attending all or part of the meeting:**

Aziz Alburaih, MD; Lonnie Schwittich; Robert Leitch; Phillip Luke Lebas; Hamd Husainy; Maureen Fuhrmann; Erick Kercheral; Paul Meehan; Bridget McGill; Cray Manifold, DO; Jason Leibold, MD; David Miller; Brad Shields; Peter Jensen; Stephen Lin; Jason D'Amore, MD, FACEP; Anthony R. Ruvo, MD, FACEP; Angela Straface, MD, FACEP; Fashad Lazi; Lonk Young; Andy Wilson; Tueku Anderson; Robert Tillotson; Carl Menckhoff; Don Neilson; Nick Jouriles, MD, FACEP; Jason Fletcher and Elizabeth Munding, JD

#### **Agenda**

Dr. Ybarra welcomed those in attendance and provided a brief history of the Section before turning over the meeting to the incoming chair, Dr. de Moor.

Dr. de Moor thanked Dr. Ybarra for his leadership and presented him with a framed certificate of appreciation for his service. She also presented certificates to Dr. Ybarra and Dr. Dayton in recognition of the FEC Section newsletter being recognized as having the Outstanding Newsletter for the year.

#### **Elections**

Dr. de Moor conducted the elections for Section officers. The two candidates for Chair-elect, Dr. John Dayton and Dr. Edward Shaheen, were both invited to give a short speech prior to the vote.

The other office elections were uncontested. Election results were:

Chair-elect. John Dayton, MD

Councilor: David Ernst, MD, FACEP

Alternate Councilor: Edward Shaheen, MD

Newsletter Editor: Erin Simon, DO, FACEP

Member at Large: Harvey Castro, MD, FACEP

**Presentation** by Sponsor CEMPR

John Crowder, Director of Market Development at Cempra, gave an overview of the company and its drug, Solithromycin. He introduced the speaker who spoke clinical implications of antibiotic resistance in CABP and the risk of complications in treating pneumonia cases.

Our second Sponsor, Wellsoft was not able to attend the meeting.

Dr. de Moor thanked both companies for their generous sponsorship of the Section.

## **Officer Reports**

Councilor/Alternate Councilor Dr. David Ernst reported for Dr Michael Sarabia on the events of the Council meetings. He announced that our Board Liaison, Dr. Paul Kivela was chosen as President-Elect at the recent Council meeting and Section member, Dr. Gillian Schmitz was elected to the Board. FEC issues were prominent during the Council meeting with most Board candidates mentioning FECs in their campaign speeches, the Town Hall presentation featuring FECs as a business model, and three FEC related resolutions on the agenda discussing accreditation, gaining recognition from CMS and use of FECs in rural areas where access is limited. All three of those resolutions were passed by unanimous consent by the Council. Other highlights include ACEP resolving to:

- develop disposition strategies for mental health patients;
- have opioid counseling reimbursed;
- oppose CMS mandated treatment expectations;
- fight narrow networks;
- create a Healthcare Financing Task Force to study alternative healthcare finance models, including single payer health insurance, and promote competition and preserve patient choice.

Any Section members with future Council Resolutions should share them with Drs. Ernst and Shaheen as our Section Council representatives.

Member at Large Dr. Ernst reported for Dr. Aldred

Immediate Past President Dr. Ybarra commented on leadership, how FECs can help solve crowding in hospital EDs, and encouraged Section members to be part of the solution.

## **Other Section Business**

Dr. de Moor reviewed the objectives and led discussions on issues dealing with accreditation, dealing with negative press and data needs and our research agenda. Robust discussion followed.

Dr. de Moor was praised for her advocacy efforts.

John Rogers mentioned that the ACEP Board will be talking about credentialing during its retreat in December.

Maureen Furmann from NAFEC mentioned that they had resources available for FECs.

Elizabeth Munding reported that EDPMA has a workshop planned in Atlanta January 19-20, 2017 on Out of Network and balance billing content.

Dr. Ernst thanked Mr. McKenzie for his support of the Section.

Dr. de Moor announced the Section is planning a meeting during for Leadership and Advocacy in March 12-15, 2017 in Washington, DC.

Over 100 were in attendance. The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 pm.