

**American College of Emergency Physicians
Freestanding Emergency Centers (FEC) Section**

ACEP22 Meeting

October 2, 2022, from 1:00 pm – 3:00 am PDT

MINUTES

Participants

Officers present were Jay Woody, MD, FACEP and Heidi Knowles, MD, FACEP

Others present: Jessica Best, MD; David C. Ernst, MD, FACEP; MD, R. Joe Ybarra, MD, FACEP; William “Bill” Kranichfeld, MD; Jon Beezley, DO, FACEP; Barbara Villone, MD; Paul Hudson FACHE, and Kelly Cantor, MPH, CHES

Staff attending all or part of meeting: David McKenzie, CAE, Adam Krushinskie, MPA

Call to Order

Dr. Woody welcomed the group as the ranking officer and asked for introductions for all of those present. A sign in sheet was distributed for each section member to verify their email addresses.

Guest Speaker Kelly Cantor, MPH, CHES from the American Dental Association addressed the Section presented a program on an ADA Emergency Department Referral Initiative ***From the Emergency Department to the Dental Chair***. The goal is to reduce the frequency of ED use for dental pain by connecting to models of care featuring collaborations between the dental offices and the ED by providing technical assistance to communities who seek to begin an ED referral program.

The program began in 2013 to improve access to dental care for underserved patients. ACEP has identified eight priority cities based on a member survey for an ACEP/ADA collaboration project. Resource materials will be posted on the FEC website.

Section Update

Dr. Woody and Mr. McKenzie gave the section update, stressing the need to demonstrate value. FEC Section membership has increased from last year totaling 115 as of October 2022 thanks to a recruitment drive initiated during the 2021 Section meeting.

There was significant discussion about transitioning the FEC Section to a Member Interest Group (MIG). The pros and cons of such a move were discussed. After careful consideration, the Section voted to maintain its status for at least another year. We will revisit the MIG discussion prior to ACEP 23.

Council Update

Dr. Schwirtlich was not able to attend Council this year because of an emergency in his group. In the absence of an elected Alternate Councilor, Paul Kivela, MD, FACEP, a member of the Section, stepped in to represent us during the Council process.

Officer Elections

Nominations for Section officers were held, and the proposed slate was approved by acclamation of those Section members present and voting.

The 2022-2024 Officers are as follows:

Chair: Jay Woody, MD, FACEP

Chair-elect: R. Joe Ybarra, MD, FACEP

Immediate Past Chair: Not applicable

Councilor: William “Bill” Kranichfeld, MD

Alt. Councilor: Dave Ernst, MD, FACEP

Secretary/ Newsletter: Lonnie Schwirtlich, MD

Member at Large: Jon “Jay” Beezley, DO, FACEP

Board Liaison: Heidi Knowles, MD, FACEP

Dr. Woody led a discussion on the Section assigned objectives. All present agreed that those were still meaningful. Other topics considered included FEC Accreditation, the history and future of FECs, moving from fee-for-service to a Value Based Care model and a discussion on certificate of need designation.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned the meeting at 3:00 am PT