AMERICAN COLLEGE OF EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS
Section on Tactical Emergency Medicine

Minutes

Officers in attendance for all or part of the meeting: Stewart R. Coffman, MD, FACEP, Chairman; Ramon W. Johnson, MD, FACEP, ACEP Board Liaison; Glenn A. Bollard, MD, Immediate Past Chair; Richard A. Kamin, MD, Vice Chair; Matthew R. Sutter, MD, FACEP, Secretary; Jeffery C. Metzger, MD, Web Master; Gina M. Piazza, DO, FACEP, Councillor; Melissa W. Costello, MD, FACEP, Alternate Councillor

Others in attendance for all or part of the meeting: Matthew H. Evenhouse, MD, FACEP; James A. Fitch, MD; Jeffrey D. Ho, MD, FACEP; Buddy G. Kozen, MD; Jon R. Krohmer, MD, FACEP; Eligio Santiago Maghirang, MD; Anthony M Montoya, MD; Keith Murray, MD; David P. Neubert, MD; Andre M. Pennardt, MD, FACEP; Theodore T. Redman, MD; Wendy Ruggeri, MD; Brian Lee Springer, MD, FACEP; Carolyn K. Synovitz, MD, MPH, FACEP.

ACEP Staff in attendance for all or part of the meeting: Rick Murray, EMT-P

Agenda

I. Opening Remarks Stewart R. Coffman, MD, FACEP
II. Introductions Stewart R. Coffman, MD, FACEP

III. Old Business – The Year in Review
- Steering Committee Report Stewart R. Coffman, MD, FACEP
- Council Report Gina M. Piazza, DO, FACEP/ Melissa W. Costello, MD, FACEP
- Board Liaison Report Ramon W. Johnson, MD, FACEP
- TEM Section Grant Gina M. Piazza, DO, FACEP
- STORM Update Gina M. Piazza, DO, FACEP
- Section Communication Guidelines Stewart R. Coffman, MD, FACEP
- Website update Jeff Metzger, MD/ Glenn A. Bollard, MD
- Newsletter update Glenn A. Bollard, MD

IV. New Business –
- Excited Delirium Taskforce update Melissa W. Costello, MD, FACEP
- Liaison position w/non-medical partners Stewart R. Coffman, MD, FACEP
Major Points Discussed:

I. Dr. Coffman (Chair) called the meeting to order and welcomed the attendees.

II. Dr. Coffman (Chair) requested that all in attendance provide a brief self-introduction.

III. Dr. Piazza (Councillor) and Dr. Costello (Alternate Councillor) summarized several resolutions that were adopted by council.

Dr. Johnson (Board Liaison) reported that the ACEP Board had accepted the Excited Delirium report

Dr. Piazza (Councillor) reported that the TEM Section Grant paper has been completed and submitted to Annals of EM.

Dr. Piazza (Councillor) provided an update on the STORM project. A pilot medic course was taught at the National Tactical Officers Association annual conference. The STORM Operators handbook is expected to be completed by the end of 2009.

Dr. Coffman (Chair) discussed some of the issues with posting courses and products on the listserv. Several options were discussed to accommodate including a monthly summary email and a separate page on Facebook or other social networking site.

Dr. Metzger (Webmaster) and Dr. Bollard (Newsletter Editor) led a discussion of the purpose of the website and content to be contained on the site. Currently there are issues with ease of placing content on the website as well as restrictions on the content. There was discussion of which content should require Section membership to view. The possibility of capturing email content in a discussion board format was also discussed.

Dr. Bollard (Newsletter Editor) discussed the continued need for newsletter content. Section leaders will be expected to provide articles throughout the year.

Dr. Costello (Alternate Councillor) provided an update on the Excited Delirium Taskforce. A White Paper was submitted by the task force with excellent representation by TEM Section members. There was discussion of forming an orphan case registry to collect more data regarding syndrome.

Dr. Coffman (Chair) discussed the concept of creating liaison positions with non-medical partners (e.g., NTOA). There was broad agreement to pursue this approach with section members acting
as liaisons. A sample application was presented by Dr. Coffman. Any interested members were urged to submit applications to the Section.

Dr. Coffman (Chair) led a discussion of Section goals the upcoming year. There was a discussion of ways to reduce territorialism between agencies and ideas for continuing to improve the website.

Dr. Piazza (Councillor) presented a short educational program updating the section on the latest changes to Tactical Combat Casualty Care.

Dr. Coffman (Chair) made closing remarks and adjourned the meeting.

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TEM Section Secretary

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