

# American College of Emergency Physicians

Section of Tactical Emergency Medicine

Membership Meeting

Monday, October 28, 2019

1:30-3:00 pm

Colorado Convention Center, Room 304

Denver, CO

## Minutes

### Section Officers in attendance:

David Wayne Callaway, MD, FACEP (Chair); Amado Alejandro Baez, MD, MSc, MPH, FACEP (Immediate Past Chair); John Wipfler, III, MD, FACEP (Chair- Elect). James Phillips, MD (Secretary); Howard K. Mell, MD, MPH, MSc, FACEP (Councillor)

### Section Members in attendance:

Brandon B Bless, MD, EMT-T; Keegan D Bradley, MD; Walter J. Bradley, MD, MBA, FACEP; Matthew Brandt, MD; Micha Campbell, MD; Gaston Ariel Costa, MD; Angela Pettit Cornelius, MD, FACEP; Marc Jay Estes, MD, FACEP; Nicholas Friedman, BA, EMT; Paul S Goen, MD, FACEP; Raymond Haake, MD, FACEP; Michael Handrigan, MD, FACEP; Ricardo Felipe Hughes, MD; Richard Jeisy, MD, FACEP; Marc P Kanter, MD, FACEP; Jon Krohmer, MD, FACEP; Eligio S.V. Maghirang, MD, PCEM; Steven Maher, MD, FAEMS, FACEP; Mitchell Moriber, DO; Samantha Noll, MD; Andre Michael Pennardt, MD, FACEP; Martin Payne, MD, FACEP; Ronald K Price, MD, FACEP; Jared L Ross, DO, EMT/P; Daniel Schwartz, MD, FAEMS, FACEP; Richard B Schwartz, MD, FACEP; Sarayna S McGuire, MD; Jordan Selzer, MD; Jon P Strotkamp, DO, FACEP; James R Waymack, MD, FACEP; Dominique Wong, MD

### Guests in attendance:

Timur N Alptunaer, MD; Nicholas Paul Cozzi, MD, MBA; Rui Domingues, MD, FACEP; Christopher Jackson, DO; Maximilian S Lee, MD, FACEP; Jarone Lee, MD, FACEP; Patricia Moriber, PhD, RN; Matthew Olney, MD; Marc S Rosenthal, DO, FACEP; Robert W Sanders, MD, FACEP; Harry Eugene Sibold, MD, FACEP; Sean Michael Siler, DO, MSa, FACEP; Richard A Vinroot, Jr, MD, MPH;

### ACEP staff in attendance:

Rick Murray, EMT-P (Staff Liaison)

## AGENDA

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| I.  | Opening Remarks and Introductions | David Callaway, MD, FACEP     |
| II. | Section Business                  | David Callaway, MD, FACEP     |
|     | A. Board Liaison Update           | Gillian R. Schmitz, MD, FACEP |
|     | B. Councillor Report              | Howie Mell, MD, MPH, FACEP    |
|     | C. Staff Liaison Update           | Rick Murray, EMT-P            |
|     | D. Secretary Report               | James Phillips, MD, FACEP     |
|     | E. Chair Elect                    | John Wipfler, III, MD, FACEP  |
|     | F. Chair                          | David Callaway, MD, FACEP     |

III. Presentations:

Ultrasound in Tactical Medicine John Wipfler, III, MD, FACEP

TEMS in the High-Threat Political Environment James Phillips, MD, FACEP

Award Presentation –

Tactical Emergency Medicine Visionary Leader Award 2019 Award – E. Reed Smith, MD, FACEP David Callaway, MD, FACEP

Keynote Presentation – Wounding Patterns in Active Shooter MCIs E. Reed Smith, MD, FACEP

IV. New Business Items David Callaway, MD, FACEP

V. Adjourn

**The Tactical Medicine Section would like to thank North American Rescue for sponsoring the section meeting.**

**Major topics discussed:**

1. The TEMS Section Chair, Dr. David Callaway opened the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.
2. The Section Board Liaison, Dr. Schmitz recognized the section officers and thanked the members for the engagement in the section. She referenced several relevant topics were discussed and/or included as proposed resolutions at the Council Meeting which included the creation of a Workforce Task Force and topics related to firearms safety and research and indicated the Section Councilor would give a more detailed Council report.
3. TEMS Section Councilor, Dr. Howie Mell, Council Report – Dr. Mell reported resolution passed the Council allowing for the creation of an ACEP “go team” designed as an NTSB investigatory team whose primary purpose would be immediate analysis following a disaster/mass casualty incident with real-time communications. Such a group would have an overarching goal of communicating with ACEP to provide information to response agencies in order to reduce unnecessary deployments of medical assets, improve the accuracy of needed materiel, and identify areas of need at a tactical planning level. Dr. Mell also discussed the new institution the ACEP Wellness Assistance Program, a free confidential hotline that members can contact for mental health concerns.
4. TEMS Section Secretary Report, Dr. James Phillips: Dr. Phillips reported he will now provide overall leadership role and accountability for the TEMS section newsletter, working with the newsletter editor(s). Several volunteers for editing and writing were solicited from the audience. Dr. Phillips recognized the passing of TEMS Section member and award nominee Dr. Justin Lemieux, discussing the need to discuss suicide risks and prevention with our TEMS team members and our medical colleagues alike.

5. ACEP Director, Dept of EMS and Disaster Preparedness, Rick Murray EMT-P: Mr. Murray reported that the membership of the TEMS section is currently 498 and reminded members of two means to fund section projects, a section grant can be applied for or a 15% dues return to the section for approved project. There is a new research grant opportunity funded by EMF/NAEMSP for \$5,000, a total of 3 grants for \$5,000 will be awarded. Mr. Murray has information on applying for one of the grants.
6. Section Chair Remarks - Dr. David Callaway: Dr, Callaway asked that all members consider contributing to the quarterly TEMS Section Newsletter. He mentioned that as ACEP continues to pursue discussions on firearms, firearm safety, and injury prevention, the member of the TEMS section should serve as front-line SME on the topic, given the nature of our work, our collective experience, and provide the fairest perspective. He also mentioned that another survey of the group will occur soon to help determine the collective desires of the section and how can the officers best meet those needs.
7. TEMS Section Chair-Elect, Dr. John Wipfler: Dr. Wipfler led the discussion on the Tactical Medicine Section survey and topics desired by Section members. This past year, the topics of TXA and Ketamine were addressed, along with training of the tactical physician. This year's topics included Tactical Ultrasound, and the topic (below) by Dr. Phillips of Politics in TEMS. Dr. Wipfler also sharing information on his tactical ultrasound lecture.
8. TEMS Section Secretary - Dr. James Phillips; Dr. Phillips presented on Politics in TEMS, highlighting recent ways in which our hyper-political and partisan atmosphere in the USA has led to interference in medical direction for some LE Agencies.
9. The 2019 Tactical Medicine Visionary Leader Award was presented to Dr. E. Reed Smith, MD from the Arlington County Fire Department. He presented on active shooter injuries and how they differ from battlefield injuries. These differences could mean that TCCC guidelines may not be as effective in saving lives in active shooter scenarios domestically, as the number of preventable deaths may be dramatically fewer.
10. Dr. Callaway formally thanked the sponsor of this year's conference and meal, North American Rescue (NAR) for their support for the section.
11. New Business – A discussion was started regarding the possibility of the TEMS Section of ACEP, independent of ACEP itself, providing endorsements to training programs or organizations. The examples given were the CONTOMS Medical Directors course. After floor discussion, it was decided that the TEMS Section leadership will appoint a task force to help determine utility and guidelines by which the section might provide such official endorsements in the future. Dr. Callaway and Dr. Mell will take the lead on this project with input from volunteers. The meeting adjourned at 15:00