

**AMERICAN COLLEGE OF EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS**  
**EMS-Prehospital Care Section Meeting**

Sunday, October 16, 2011  
12:00 pm to 2:00 pm  
Hilton San Francisco  
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San Francisco, California

**MINUTES**

**Section officers in attendance:** James M. Cusick, MD, FACEP (Chairman); Marc K. Eckstein, MD, FACEP (Immediate Past Chair); Howard K. Mell, MD, MPH, FACEP (Chairman Elect); Melissa Wysong Costello, MD, FACEP (Secretary); Mark E. A. Escott, MD, MPH, FACEP (Member-at-Large); Sabina Braithwaite, MD, MPH, FACEP (Alternate Councillor); Andrew I. Bern, MD, FACEP (Board Liaison)

**Section members and guests in attendance:** Gina Piazza, DO, FACEP; Andrew Bern, MD, FACEP; Sarah Ashley; Scott Goldberg, MD; Katie Tataris, MD; Salvatore Silvestri, MD, FACEP; Craig Cooley, MD, FACEP; Josef Schenker, MD, FACEP; Melissa Wysong Costello, MD, FACEP; Jason Kruger, MD, FACEP; Craig Manifold, DO, FACEP; Paul Pepe, MD, FACEP; Mark Sochor, MD, FACEP; Robert O'Connor, MD, MPH, FACEP; Stephen Sanko, MD; Robert Swor, MD, FACEP; William Boehm, MD, FACEP; Ralph Frascone, MD, FACEP; Roy Alson, MD, PhD, FACEP; Frank Pettyjohn, MD, FACEP; Julio Lairret, DO, FACEP; Marvin Wayne, MD, FACEP; Joshua Zeidler, DO, FACEP; Veer Vithalani, MD; Hanna Lawry, MD; Kevin Schulz, MD; Frank Guyette, MD, FACEP; Gordon Feibish, MD; Ahmed A. Shammah Al Ghamdi, MD; Wayne Lee, MD, FACEP; Cai Glashuk, MD, FACEP; George Hevesy, MD, FACEP; Marlow Macht, MD; Daniel Hankins, MD, FACEP; Douglas Kupas, MD, FACEP; John Gallagher, MD; Steve Heightman; Joseph Tennyson, MD, FACEP; Ritu Sarin, MD; Jeffrey Goodloe, MD, FACEP; Elizabeth Sibley, MD; David Keseg, MD, FACEP; Alexei Wagner, MD; Jim Skiba, JR. MD; Gaston Costa, MD; Ronald Roth, MD, FACEP; Mischa Mirin, MD, FACEP; David Stuhlmiller, MD, FACEP; Jessican van Voorhees, MD; James Suozzi, DO, FACEP; Thomas Tallman, DO, FACEP; Sabina Braithwaite, MD, FACEP; Khalid Ateyyah, MD; David Sugerman, MD, MPH, FACEP; Rick Carlton MD; Justin Fairless, DO; David Kugler, MD, MPH, FACEP; Richard Vermeer, DO, FACEP; Joe Holley, MD, FACEP; William Hall, MD, FACEP; Lincoln Cox, Jr, MD, FACEP; Shira Schlesinger, MD; Sean Covant, DO; Jeff Beeson, DO, FACEP; Jacob Keeperman, MD; Michael Levy, MD, FACEP; Sara Brown, MD, FACEP; William Gerard, MD, FACEP; Alisa Roberts, DO, FACEP; Jon Krohmer, MD, FACEP; Jeff Elder, MD; Ira Nemeth, MD, FACEP

**ACEP staff in attendance:** Patrick Elmes, EMT/P (ret), Manager; EMS & Disaster Preparedness; Rick Murray, LP, EMT/P, Director, EMS & Disaster Preparedness

**AGENDA**

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| I.   | Call to Order                           | Dr. Cusick |
| II.  | Opening Remarks                         | Dr. Cusick |
| III. | Award Presentation                      | Dr. Sama   |
|      | a. ACEP Outstanding Contribution in EMS |            |
| IV.  | Board Liaison Report                    | Dr. Bern   |

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| V.    | Medtronic Foundation, HeartRescue Project, Presentation- |                 |
|       | a. Rethinking Cardiac Arrest: A Statewide Approach       | Dr. Kupas       |
| VI.   | Council Meeting Report                                   | Dr. Braithwaite |
| VII.  | EMS Committee Report                                     | Dr. Braithwaite |
|       | a. EMS Subspecialty Report                               | Dr. Nemeth      |
| VIII. | ACEP, EMS and Disaster Prep. Department Update           | Mr. Elmes       |
| IX.   | Section Newsletter                                       | Dr. Cusick      |
| X.    | New Business   | Dr. Cusick      |
| XI.   | Adjourn  | Dr. Cusick      |

### **Major Points Discussed**

Dr. Cusick called the meeting to order and members introduced themselves around the room.

#### **Medtronic Foundation, Heart Rescue Project Presentation**

Dr. Kupas, MD, EMT-P discussed the HeartRescue Project's five year goal to improve SCA survival rates in selected states and geographies by 50%. This involves five partnering states and AMR developing best practices in all phases of cardiac resuscitation.

Dr. Sama presented the Outstanding Contribution in EMS Award to Dr. Ray Fowler.

Dr. Bern gave the Board Liaison Report including discussion of Transition of Care.

Dr. Braithwaite gave a report on council activities.

Dr. Braithwaite gave an EMS Committee report which included the FDA Drug Shortage Survey from NAEMSP and a letter to FICEMS regarding DEA representation on FICEMS.

Dr. Nemeth gave a report on ABEM including a Prep Class and Online course.

The EMS Section Newsletter was discussed including a call for a new newsletter Co-Editor since Dr. Escott will be stepping down. Dr. Costa will remain as a Co-Editor. Other ideas included harvesting ideas from the list-server, evidence based protocols, format changes and tweeting.

Mr. Elmes gave an EMS and Disaster Preparedness Department update including current projects, EMS Week and several grant projects including the National EMS Culture of Safety.

New Business included discussions regarding Virtual ACEP, Board Certification fees, future of board certification, free standing ER's and revisiting Section subscriptions which was decided to remain closed.

Dr. Cusick adjourned the meeting at 2:21 PM.