

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS



Forensic Section Meeting Annual Meeting September 29, 2024

MINUTES

Participants: Drs. Judy Linden, Monika Pitzele, Jodi Wieters, Sally Henin, Heidi Knowles, Michael Weaver, Heather Rozzi, Ralph Riviello, Tony Gerard, Somy Thottathil, Jennifer Byrd, Daniel Phillips, Lauren Hudak, Lauren Fine, Priyanka Datta, Natalie McConnell, Keesandra Agenor, William Hauda II, Elias Youssef, ((Dan ??)), Keith Gentry, Sandy Mardant

AGENDA:

- Welcome and Section Updates –Dr. Judith Linden, Section Chair
- Council Updates-Dr. Jessica Hobbs
- Update from Board Liaison-Dr. Heidi Knowles
- Section Leadership Election
- Harnessing Physician-Nurse Collaboration for Enhanced Success in Forensic Nursing Programs - Sally Henin MD/Jamie Ferrell RN and Jessica Hobbs MD/Ellen Kennedy RN
- Dr. Brigitte Alexander – Introducing a new forensic fellowship at Kings County
- Open Discussion – include ALS recommendations discussion? clinical update format
- Adjourn
- Section Hall Crawl

Major Points Discussed:

- Welcome and Section updates: Dr. Judith Linden, Section Chair
 - The section released three webinars this year
 - The DV Handbook will be released shortly
 - Several interesting discussions on Engaged
- Council updates: Dr. Monika Pitzele

- Passed resolutions regarding human trafficking, safe weapon storage, and access to reproductive health services in all EDs
- Update from Board Liaison: Dr. Heidi Knowles
 - Please let the Board know if there are state-specific issues that they can address
 - The Board is looking for an executive director
 - Council resolutions pertaining to the Section included education about human trafficking, safe weapon storage, and access to reproductive health services in all EDs
- It was resolved that the following slate of officers were elected to serve for the 2024-2026 term:
 - Chair: Monika Pitzele
 - Vice Chair: Keesandra K. Agenor
 - Secretary: Martin J Landa
 - Newsletter Editor: Melissa Peters
 - Councilor: Lauren Hudak
 - Alternate Councilor: Jessica Hobbs
- Building a collaborative SANE team: Dr. Sally Henin/Jamie Ferrell, RN
- Introducing a new forensic fellowship at Kings County: Dr. Brigitte Alexander

The meeting was adjourned.