

KANSAS RESPIRATORY CARE SOCIETY

June 25, 2010, 10:00 AM.

Promise Regional Medical Center

Recorder: Leona Evans

Those Present

Ed Anderson

Meg Trumpp

David Mantz (online)

Melanie Asmussen

Karen Schell

Rusty Taylor

Jana Cox

Pat Patterson

Don Carden (online)

Jeff Scobee (online)

Terri Lesser

Troy Gooch

Dan Conyers (online)

Leona Evans

Welcome and Minutes

President Ed Anderson convened the meeting, welcomed the group and asked each person present to introduce themselves.

Meg Trumpp noted incorrect spelling of her name. Motion made by Karen Schell to approved the minutes with the correct of spelling noted above. Terri Lesser seconded the motion Unanimous **Yes** vote.

Treasurer's Report

Pat Patterson reported that the new laptop for the KRCS has been received.

See attached budget report.

The new budget will be reviewed and approved via email.

Delegates Report

Karen Schell reported that Pat Munzer has received the AARC Life Membership.

Resolutions for review:

1. AARC considering going on record in agreement with the NBRC credential maintenance/renewal policy by supporting the philosophy that no RT should be allowed to renew a state RCP license without a valid, current NBRC credential.
 - a. Great deal of discussion as to the rationale of the NBRC requiring reporting of CEUs and monies to renew credential. Some feel that this is simply a means to get more money and serves no purpose to the profession as state licensing agencies already require CEUs.
 - b. The group feels that the AARC is considering not to allow licensure without current credentials and not about NBRC practices or policies
 - c. Final vote 9 **Yes** and 3 **No**
2. Resolve the AARC issue a White Paper or similar document on the importance of Respiratory Care Education Programs, which could be disseminated to states legislatures, local governments, governors, or any other interested parties where such programs are threatened with loss of funding and closure.

- a. Unanimous **Yes** vote
3. Resolve the AARC revise the Disaster Relief Policy to permit access to these funds upon declaration by the AARC President and as approved by the AARC BOD in response to catastrophic situations that are not declared a federal disaster.
 - a. Unanimous **Yes** vote
4. Resolve that the AARC investigate seeking outside grants and/or funding to fund AARC Disaster Relief funds.
 - a. Unanimous **Yes** vote
5. Resolve that the AARC investigate utilizing AARC Disaster Relief funds to reimburse otherwise unreimbursed expenses incurred by AARC member Respiratory Therapists who respond to assist with national disasters.
 - a. 11 vote **Yes**; 1 vote **No**
6. Be it resolved that the AARC provide detailed support to the House of Delegates reflecting the source of donations to the AARC Disaster Relief.
 - a. Unanimous vote **Yes**

Directors' Report

David Mantz – SRHC is working to provide backup intubation services, adding protocols and working on a critical care ground transport team

Rusty Taylor – Nothing to report at this time.

Nancy Nelson-Jones – No Report

Curtis Kidwell –

- **Website:** Since the state meeting we have dropped back to 50 to 70 hits a week. Last week we had 55 and the week before that was 77. I can't see how many times someone has downloaded the application for the scholarship.
- **Facebook:** The site is getting about 5 hits a week. I would like to propose that the educational programs really promote the facebook site and post pictures and classroom things on the site. What we are studying this week, etc. Anything to get more people networking.
- We also received a new advertiser for the next year. Via Christi placed an ad and I've forwarded the information to Pat so he can invoice them.

AARC – AARC connect is up and running. We also have a Facebook page with all members. Meg Trumpp states this is a great avenue for creating chapter groups. The group viewed the website with the AARC connect. Ed Anderson discussed how useful he has found the tool to be. Would encourage all members to get on and use both the AARC connect and FaceBook.

Respiratory Care Council

The group decided via an e-vote that we would not renew our contract with KSBHA for impaired provider. Karen Schell moved that we only provide a grant fund for the 2011-2012 year. Troy Gooch seconded the motion. Unanimous **Yes** vote.

There are additional concerns with the HAPN contract and the changes that the KRCS have received. Ed Anderson will follow up with the committee via email once this is further researched.

Chapter Report

Chapter I – Dan Conyers reported a \$3107.52 for the KRCS for the seminar that was held in conjunction with the Missouri Chapter. The Missouri chapter requested that we help fund a table for the CF gala. Troy Gooch made a motion to allocate funds from this seminar to support this table of \$1250. Terri Lesser seconded. Unanimous **Yes** vote.

Chapter II – No report

Chapter III – Nothing to report. David Mantz asked when this position would be up for re-election. Jana stated she was elected for another year yet as it is a 2 year position

Chapter IV – Nothing to report

Chapter V – No report

Chapter VI –No report.

Chapter VII –No report.

Chapter VIII – Nothing to report

Committee Reports

Bylaws

Terri Lesser – Will be updated next year and due for changes with AARC

Chapter Affairs

Meg Trumpp – No report.

Nominations Committee

Meg Trumpp reported that nominations were need for the following: President, Vice President, Treasurer Elect, 2 Director At Large positions and Delegate. Please get those into her as soon as possible.

Education

Terri Lesser – A \$13,280 profit for the State meeting.

Karen Schell (for Suzanne Bolig) Western Kansas Seminar: Speakers lined up, everything is on schedule. The dates are September 22, 23, and 24, 2010 in Hays Kansas.

Publications

Troy Gooch – Nothing to report

Membership

Karen Schell asked if we wanted to purchase membership coupons. Karen Schell made a motion that we purchase 40 tickets for now and then see what the response is before purchasing more. Terri Lesser seconded the motion. Unanimous **Yes** vote.

A question was asked how we send these coupons out-Karen Schell will get back to the group on this.

Legislative / Pact

Deb Fox – No report

Old Business

Russ Babb Scholarship

Terri Lesser reported that there have been no applicants to date. Educators are reminded to let their students know about this opportunity. Application deadline is August 1, 2010.

Kansas Sleep Professionals Licensure

They have applied for pursuit of licensure. See attached letter.

KSBHA RT student permits

RT student permits will expire in 30 days. A temporary permit will be good for 6 months. Students will need to apply for both the temporary and permanent license.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Karen Schell and Seconded by Rusty Taylor. Meeting adjourned. Next meeting will be in Pratt Kansas the first week of August. Ed Anderson will get the date out to the group as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted:
By Leona Evans
Secretary KRCS

Respectfully submitted:
Ed Anderson, President KRCS



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Notification of Pursuit for Licensure

Greetings Kansas Respiratory Care Society (KRCS),

Kansas Association of Sleep Professionals (KASP) is in the process of reapplying for licensing of persons providing polysomnographic services in the state of Kansas. This is an effort to assure that standardization of proper academia and training has been obtained by technologists practicing in the field of sleep medicine and to recognize the Polysomnographic Technologist as a professional entity. By obtaining licensure it raises the standards to assure safe and knowledge based care is provided to the patients being evaluated, tested and treated for sleep disorders. To help facilitate this process we suggest an exchange of professional input with liaisons from both professions.

We welcome your support in our efforts towards licensure to assure that qualified standards are practiced,

Sincerely,

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