

Minutes

KAPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

March 11, 2000 7:00 PM EST

The Board met in Covington during the Tri-State EMS Conference.

Region 1	Mark Harrison	Present
Region 2	Nell Thomas	Absent
Region 3	Neil Kellen	Absent
Region 4	Wanda Barrett	Absent
Region 5	Sherman Hockenbury	Present
Region 6	Mark Bailey	Present
Region 7	Don Adams	Present
Region 8	Charles W. Shaw	Absent
Region 9	Bob Gainer	Present
At Large	John Blumenstock Barry Brown Jim Inman Joe Bradshaw Billy Miller Joey McCaslin Jim Butler	Present Present Present Absent Present Absent Present
Others Attending	A sign-in sheet is attached.	

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Minutes Approval	Motion by J. Inman and second by D.Adams.	Motion passed
Treasurers report	B.Miller reported that the EMS Conference balance is \$2,648.87, general fund \$6,124.12 and CD is \$10,602.47. The total bank balance is \$19,375.46. Motion by M. Bailey, second by J. Butler to accept the report.	Motion passed
Conference Committee Update	Billy Miller reported briefly. Committee will be meeting soon. M. Harrison noted that Show Services has closed. J. Inman stated that the Motel looked much better now. A lot of money has been put into improving the facility. J. Butler spoke briefly about the possibility of merging the conference in 2001 with the Tri-State EMS Conference. The conference committee can look at this and make a recommendation. Discussion insued about other possible locations.	None needed
EMS 2000 HB 405	M. Harrison, M. Bailey and J. Ritchy commented. Speaker Richards has been great and worked hard for us. Also Jim Callahan has been very supportive. 405 has moved to the Senate by a unanimous House vote.	

	<p>House Bill 349 calls for drastic and severe changes to the state hazardous duty retirement plan. EMS would not be eligible under 349. It also greatly extends the years of service needed to retire (rule of 85).</p> <p>B. Brown suggested to mailing a letter to all KAPA members to explain the current status of 405 &amp; 349 and include the KAPA renewal form.</p>	
BLS Regulations Report	<p>M. Bailey- Public hearing was held on December 19<sup>th</sup>. The Secretary of Health stopped the regulations from moving forward. Emergency regs will not be implemented. BLS regs will begin the process all over again in the various committees of the EMS Council.</p>	
KAPA Regions	<p>Nothing has been done but J. Inman will work on realigning the regions and try to have something before the 2000 conference.</p>	
New Business National EMS Memorial Service	<p>Rocky Johnson reported. Seven people were inducted last year and eight will be inducted this year. Proposed to have a state memorial service sometime this fall in Frankfort. Cost will be about \$7,000 for the entire event. Possibly have Gov. Patton offer the keynote address. Motion by J. Inman and second by J. Butler for B. Miller to represent KAPA and work with Rocky to form a committee to raise funds and decide what else is needed for the memorial service.</p>	Motion passed
Medicare Update	<p>S. Hockenbury-National ambulance fee schedule will be implemented by HCFA effective January 1, 2001. Several pages of information was reviewed. The proposed schedule is rather complex and as proposed would create new base rate classifications as well as new rates. Medicare providers billing on both Part A and Part B will be affected. The fee schedule will be implemented in four phases over a four year period. The finale rule is expected to be published in the federal register in October. KAPA needs to have an early summer meeting concerning rates and making plans/adjustments for the new fee schedule.</p>	
Retirement of Joey McCaslin	<p>President Gainer announced that Joey's position should be filled in compliance with the by-laws.</p>	Motion Passed

	Motion by S. Hockenbury and second by B. Brown to appoint James Ritchey to fill this vacancy until the next general election. Also, send a letter to the Caldwell Co. Judge Executive expressing the organization's most sincere appreciation for Joey's hard work and dedicated support for so many years.	
Motion to Adjourn	Motion by J. Inman second by D. Adams to adjourn at 9:50pm EST.	Motion passed

Submitted by Mark A. Harrison, Secretary  
KAPA Region 1