

Delaware Emergency Nurses Association  
Meeting Minutes February 5, 2008

**Attendance:** Bev VonGoerres, Susan Ebaugh, Marie Renzi, Linda Solomon, Debbie Eberly, Terry Thorley

Excused: Kara Streets, Hal Brown, Ruth Morse, Carol Faedtke, Sue Palmer, Meriam Dennie, Karen Rollo, Deena Brecher

Guest: Lou Puspoki

Meeting called to order at 1900 by Bev VonGoerres

**Education:** Dennie-excused Deferred – discussion continues on speaker line-up for annual conference

DENA Annual Conference scheduled for Wednesday November 5, 2008 at Dover Downs

**Secretary:** Streets- excused Deferred

**Treasurer:** Palmer-from email message dated February 4, 2008

As far as the treasurer's report

\$28,899.37	checking
\$6,000.00	certificate of deposit
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\$34,889.37	total

**TNCC:** Thorley-6<sup>th</sup> edition roll out February 21, March 7 and March 29. All courses will now be 6<sup>th</sup> edition. 6<sup>th</sup> edition instructor course scheduled at CCHS May 2008 – candidates must have taken or challenged the 6<sup>th</sup> edition course.

**ENPC:** Ebaugh – Course held in January 2008 at KGH will all candidates successfully completing the course. A new 1-day re-verification course is now available from ENA. Will advise when course will be held. Need to

check with Wendy Gleason at CCHS when next ENPC course to be held at CCHS.

**Government Affairs:** Faedkte – excused

VonGoerres – Bush Budget Report has no provisions for funding of EMSC or Trauma Systems. Noted that the representatives from Delaware continue to vote against this and are active supporters of federal funds being allocated for the EMSC and state Trauma systems.

Renzi- informed the group that as of 2003, Lifeguards were no longer required at hotel swimming pools in Delaware. Two children have drown in hotel pools in Delaware since the repeal of that law. Public hearings on the re-instatement of this law are planned. Watch the newspaper for date, time and place.

**Nurse Practice:** Morse-excused Deferred

**Research:** VonGoerres-made everyone aware of the new information regarding the use of over the counter cough syrups and the pediatric patient. Recommend all parents check with pediatrician before over the counter or home remedy treatment of coughs and colds for pediatrics.

**Membership:** VonGoerres-139 members as of present. Many members gained with the group membership drive in November.

Discussion of Billboards for Emergency Nurses Week – concern was expressed that since this is political year, where would the billboards be located? Suggestion was made to consider banners to be hung at the hospitals throughout Delaware. Quorum of officers not present therefore neither vote taken nor decision made.

**Other business:**

Marie Renzi announced the Child Abuse Prevention Conference will be held on April 30, May 1 and May 2 at Dover Downs. Cost is free. The nursing and physician portion will be presented the first two days. Brochure to follow.

Safe Kids Conference Tuesday June 24 at the Modern Maturity Center.

Safe Kids Day Schedule: April New Castle County (Wayne McCarty POC)  
Jun 14 Kent County  
Aug Sussex County (Mike Love POC)

Karen Rollo reports the IAFN Conference has been rescheduled to Thursday June 5. Brochure to follow.

The cost of a vendor table at the Trauma Conference on Friday May 2 at the Sheraton in Dover is \$300.00 for health profession organizations.

Meeting adjourned 2100

Next meeting March 4, 2008 1800 at CCHS room 2 Dinner at 1800 \$5

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa M. Thorley, substitute Secretary