

NADMAT ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

**April 24, 2001
DALLAS, TX**

Attendance:

AL- NO ALK- YES AR 1- NO CA 2 NO CA4 YES CA6 YES CO2 YES FL1 YES FL2 YES FL3 YES FL5 YES FL6 YES
GA1 YES GA3 YES GA4 YES IL2 NO IND4 NO KY1 YES MASS1 YES MASS2 NO MICH1 YES MI1 NO NJ YES NY?
NM2 YES OH5 YES OK1 NO OR2 YES PHS1 YES PHS2 NO RI1 YES SC1 NO TX1 YES TX3 YES MORT1 YES VMAT2
YES VMAT3 YES VMAT4 YES OH6 YES

1730 Meeting opened by Jake Jacoby

roll call- see above

teams invited to join NADMAT- OH6 CA6 WA1 signed

Minutes from last year's meeting were distributed and reviewed by attendance.

Corrections and additions:

Attendance :FL5 and FL6 and OR2

Motion to accept the minutes after correction: Motion made by J. Anderson and seconded by Fran Griffin
– carried.

Progress report on NADMAT/NDMS Washington meeting. In the past the chairs of NADMAT met in Rockville with NDMS to discuss issues from the teams. Copy of the minutes from the last meeting were given to Gary Moore to review. The agenda for the meeting was taken from the issues addressed during the last meeting. Issues are numbered on the agenda as prepared.

1. Discussion and responses from NDMS – want increased training and maintenance funding and improved communication with Dr. Knouse and Gary Moore. Their impression of NADMAT was positive.
2. Discussion on the training online- 5-6 sessions left to be loaded.—questions- should these be mandatory or highly recommended- if recommended how do we motivate our members. Status at end of discussion was to keep it highly recommended.
 - Discussion on this issue: Brian Cannon FL6 suggests highly recommended and team can elect to deploy team member or not.
 - Helen Miller- OR2 Highly recommended- questions if CEU's will be retro to members who take the classes before approved for CEU's.??
 - Tom Shagwood-CA 3 same questions
 - Jill Wells - NM- discussion on access to internet
 - Functional working group- Kelly and John Gaffney NM1 on committee- if this training becomes mandatory other options would be looked at- ie CD roms, etc. Training may need to be mandatory in the future to get accreditation. The Commissioned Corp have already adopted the program as mandatory.
 - Eric Markus CA4 discussion on possibility of completion of training to raise one's GS rating and salary- to another level.

Pete Podell – to follow the percentage of team members on each team who has completed a portion of, or all of the training. This will reflect on the teams overall evaluation.

Discussion by F. Fong GA3 to make the training an incentive to deploy. Motion on the floor regarding NADMAT's stand on the issue of making the training "required or highly recommended". This was placed into a motion by Matt Myers, TX1 and seconded by David Lippon CA 6.

Discussion. There are a number of issues before this training can become mandatory.

Issues of CEU's and availability of access to Internet.

Bill Devir recommended a patch for completion of all courses.

John Gaffney reminded those present of the bylaws that each team gets one team vote placed by Unit Commander or designated person. Motion –NADMAT suggest highly recommended”.
Call to vote- 24 for and 0 opposed. Motion passed.

Insurance Issues.

Workman comp for Volunteers in non-federal situation ie- member working in warehouse.
Jake Jacoby- single policy thru the State Ins pool fund is available to some teams. (\$161,000). Show of hands on the number of teams who do not have workman’s comp – 19.

Discussion on Insurance on Federal Property (in storage) ie- stolen.

Jake Jacoby states his team does not have yet. Hands shown for teams with Insurance- 2.
Gary Lindbergh FL2 –one of two- who has insurance thru American Van Lines where basic load is stored. Other team is NM who is self insured through the State.
Discussion on NADMAT purchasing a group insurance for all teams. Open discussion to solve this issue. Same issue was discussed last year at the NADMAT meeting. The committee was to provide with 1 page summary. Fran NJ1 with summary policy. DMORT Steve Tentor- 28 page fax proposed- need 1 page summary.
NADMAT will keep this issue open and gather more information.

Discussion on team liability insurance- two teams have- Bill Devir OH 5 stated sponsor of team covers their team- covered under their corporate structure. Another reason to suggest to Gary Moore to increase training and maintenance budget to cover insurances.

Operation Issues

Heaters that were sent out have problems - some have needed to be modified.
Discussion on cold weather gear- need all uniformed look.
MSU purchased cold weather gear for NY ice storm but consisted of all color jackets, etc.
400 sets of winter clothing, jacket and pants, are available for the Salt Lake City Olympics.
Problems with the sinks that were sent to teams - retrofit tents and sinks.
Inventory difficulties- one team stated took almost year to restock the supplies.
Expired dates and more frequent inventory. Notify Bob Bishop if problems occur.

- Churton Budd, OH brought up issues with needleless system. Exposure to needle sticks- Bob Bishop to order needleless systems - need to use up existing equipment. ?Federal to comply with OSHA?? This will remain an active issue with NADMAT.
- Discussion on self-sponsoring teams. If team has 50C3 does not need sponsor. Teams with no sponsors: FL5, FL6, Wash 1. Discussion on pros and cons of teams having sponsors- sponsor may micro manage, but may provide with funds. Fran Griffin made a motion to take this issue back to OEP . Seconded by Bill Dyer, FL3 with addendum of bring to NDMS -get list of requirements for self sponsorship.
- Discussion on clarifying policy of backfill. Sponsors- need consistency and guidelines with MOU’s and sponsors. Ron Wegner FL3 reported sponsor was Tampa General then team went incorporated and since 3 hospitals were involved with MOU it killed their membership.
- Discussion continued on sponsorship- discussion ended with motion as it stands. For motion- 19- opposed –1- motion passed.

Churton Budd- will create NADMAT web page. Will place blanket letter –elected officials - better visualization for NDMS- hyperlinks. Hyperlink congressional problems etc in lieu of letter writing. Email blintz. Print letter and sent. Discussion on calls and letter writing to congressional leaders; letters more impressive.

Team Advisory discussion- remains a confusing system. Number of people on roster.. No answer- so will carry over issue for now.

Lloyd Parker- FL6- level 2 based on number of personnel for level 2. Need more clarification on how teams can move up. Will remain an open issue.

Discussion on psychiatric issues. Teams can use and count in the MD level. Discussion on NDMS providing psych CISM Helen Miller OR2- medical officer- psych rejected- then later approved. Open issue.

Discussion on immunizations- not provided- highly recommended- can buy with team funds.

Discussion on security- Security position- no guidance for job. Jake Jacoby brought up issues with security for personal gear, and safeguarding narcotics. Request for security beyond our own. Examples of violence at disasters - example Hugo.

Discussion on Fit for deployment- can personnel ride on C130, hike, are they physically fit - esp for Salt Lake City Olympics.

Discussion on team book eligibility opened by Fran Miller. ? on Physical education standards.

Discussion on OEP support ? tags on new basic load list. Discussion on Pediatric patient and special population opened by Gary Klineman RH1. The population not comprehensive enough.

New Business:

Triage tags: CeBerf different look and tag decon from MNRT. New tag Ca switching to that has area that shows that decon was done.

PR- NDMS- position on PIO- questions of old policy- PIO is in new policy.

Webpage for NADMAT- Churton Budd OH explained and will create. He also explained the list serv and the spin offs - ie - communication and logistics. He offered free web space. NADMAT minutes will be on the site. Gary Lindbergh FL2 asked the room to give Churton a round of applause for all the many years of hard work to the organization.

Old business:

Discussion on changing the name - Open floor to suggestions.

Bill Dyer OH5 suggested NRTA

John Gaffney opened the discussion on whether NDMS would allow us to use their initials.

John Kew- suggested National Assoc of Disaster Medical Response Team.

Bill Day TX1 – would it be better to use it then check with them.

Name does not represent all teams.

Churton Budd made a motion that we a sent a letter and ask permission to use NDMS.

Discussion on posting names on website to have voting.

Motion withdrawn by John Kew.

Submit to NADMAT Chair to follow through with NADMAT mailing list.

Election for 3rd Chair of NADMAT.

Kelly will be moving to 1st Chair.

Mike Swicord GA3 will move into 2nd Chair

Bylaws explained- there will be nominations and second from the floor.

Nominated person will have 2 minutes to make statements concerning their qualifications.

1 vote to each team who has signed the agreement with NADMAT.

Name will be placed on pad- and then into envelope. Large envelope will have team number on it. This is a secret ballot.

Clarifications of eligibility and questions answered. Either team leader or designated person from all level teams of DMATs, DMORTs, VMATs,PHS may vote.

Ed Smith Mass1 nominated Helen Miller OR2, seconded by Marsha Case NY2.

Cristy Vernay nominated Fran Griffin NJ1, seconded by Gary Klineman NJ1.

Julie Oldberg nominates Kevin Cannon FL6. Kevin Cannon withdrew himself.

Jim Fenn OH1 nominated John Gaffney and John Gaffney declined.

Bill Devir OH5 nominated Rich Lewis VMAT2, seconded by Churton Budd OH1

There being no further nominations motion made by James Fenn OH1 to close the nominations, seconded by Brad Waite, Wash1.

Fran Griffin:

Team Leader of Level 1 team
4 issues to take on if she is elected,
1-sponsorship clarification
2-Team composition-same standards for all teams
3-Insurance- unresolved issue
4-Automation of paperwork-application process

Rich Lewis :

Deputy team leader VMAT2
20 yrs experience with large and small animals - Vet hospital.
Corp medicine experience.
Goal to decrease learning curve and serve NADMAT.

Helen Miller:

Team Commander for Oregon level 2 team
Was with Wash for 6 yrs.
Issues: roster, clarification, hand book issues and the issues discussed here.

Twenty five votes were cased.

Congratulations to Helen Miller OR2.

New Business: Acknowledgement of several letters:

Thank you to John Caprio Team leader FL5 concerning workman's comp and insurance.
Thank you to Fran Griffin regarding a number of issues.
Thank you to Scott Kirley FL3 on Insurance and issues with health care workers and prophylaxis – immunizations.

Jake thanked all the members for allowing him to serve. He discussed how the organization has survived for 5 years with no staff, no budget, and no dues. He suggested that we support the organization with letters, he will continue to help as a past chair. Discussion on gavel. Project to track it down.
Jake congratulated Kelly and opened the meeting to her. Thank you to VMAT's and DMORT's for attending. She stated she felt honored to be the first female Chair. She is the Chair for the training and education committee. She read the mission statement. Goal- better informed and work on common goals. Suggested each team send 3 issues that are pressing issues for them. Kelly invited Helen to join the group at the leadership table.

There being no further business to discuss James Finn made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by John Gaffney and carried. Meeting adjourned at 825PM.

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