Greater KCENA Chapter

Meeting Minutes

August 8, 2012

Attendees:  Becca Yord, Linda Parrett, Lori Davis, Faye Anne Hughes, Stephanie Droppelmann, Cheryl Phillips, Amanda Williams, Jan Wiebe, Carla DiMaggio, Tyler Frederick, Tina Johnson, Rebecca Pence, Nicki Carlton, Angie Giegerich, Tammy Braley, Cie Cascone, Jamie Bolen, Linda Mills, Teresa Coyne, Jennifer Ours

Remote Attendee:  Dennis Pearson

Location:  Children’s Mercy Hospital – Ronald McDonald House

Meeting called to order at 11:16 AM by Stephanie Droppelmann, President.

Introductions were completed around the room.

Secretary’s Report:  Minutes from June 2012 were approved by a motion from Lori Davis and Becca Yord.  No changes were noted.

Treasurer’s Report:  June 2012 and July 2012 Treasurer’s Reports were reviewed.  Reports were approved by a motion from Nicki Carlton and Linda Parrett.  No changes were noted.

NEW BUSINESS

Proxy Voting:
An ENA member inquired if it was possible to vote in a chapter election by proxy.  Proxy voting is not covered in KC ENA’s current bylaws.  Discussion was had by the group.  The group formed the following addition to the bylaws which will be voted on at the next chapter meeting (October 10, 2012):

An ENA member must attend 50% of meetings in one year (both physical attendance and remote attendance by conference video would count as 50%) to be able to vote by proxy.  This vote will be given to the chapter president prior to the meeting where elections are to be held.

Elections for President-Elect and Secretary Treasurer:

Becca Yord was voted to be the next President – Elect.  The term for President-Elect will start in January 2013 and end in December 2014.  In January 2015 Becca will become KC ENA President for a two year term ending in December 2016.

Tammy Braley was voted to remain as the Secretary-Treasurer.  The term will start in January 2013 and end in December 2014.
OLD BUSINESS

Walk for Woo:

Walk to be held on 10/6/12 at TMC – Lakewood. The walk will be one mile in length. Mr. Woo will have an area at walk to display/sell his artwork.

KC ENA will provide water, Gatorade, and snacks at the walk.

T-shirt order forms need to go to Tina by 9/15/12 so she can place the order.

Question about whether there would be speakers for music and announcements. Teresa was unsure about electric capabilities and was just waiting to see if there was a need. Suggestion was to have Radio Station come and that way would have access to both.

Those that are helping with set-up for Walk for Woo need to be at Truman Lakewood by 0830 on the 6th.

MO ENA Conference:

All KC ENA members at the meeting who attended the conference said it was an enjoyable conference. MO ENA has asked the chapters to give input for next year’s conference. KC ENA does not feel that the chapter should be “required” to get a certain number of vendors to attend the conference. KC ENA believes that each chapter should have at least one member on the planning committee. MO ENA conference planners should do a state wide call for presenters to get a more diverse group of topics and speakers. Some KC ENA members feel that the MO ENA conference should be planned either immediately before or after the MEMSA conference so both could be attended.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

IQSIP (Injury Prevention)

Battle of the Belt:

Lori Davis reported that the following information was shared with Destination Safe in July. MODOT funding and personnel have been cut statewide, therefore they will be taking a support role in many BluePrint activities including Battle of the Belt. In fact, Battle of the Belt is the only such project that will still be partially funded by MODOT during this next fiscal year. This means that they no longer have the resources to travel from school to school and there is a great need for volunteers and/or school staff to assist in these activities. The possibility of moving this activity to the spring was discussed, as it has been in the past, however, registration for this year’s fall event has already been posted on the website. The 2012 Competition Dates will be
October 1 through November 9, 2012.

MODOT will be sending out information to all the schools and any remaining MODOT regional contacts very soon. Lori has asked that this information be shared with me to pass along to each ENA chapter. This is our opportunity for ENA to reconnect and become more involved with Battle of the Belt by supporting MODOT with volunteers, as requested. Therefore, Lori is recommending that our focus for 2012 change from increasing participation from schools to providing our support at the local level. Lori plans to assist with schools in the Clay/Platte county areas, both personally and as community injury prevention activities for North Kansas City Hospital Trauma Center.

Lori may be asked for volunteers to assist at area high schools. If you are interested, please let Lori know. This could be an excellent volunteer activity for nurses involved with clinical ladders in their workplace.

**Governmental Affairs –**

Teresa reported that the 1st Annual Advocacy Intensive will be held 1/10 – 12/12 by ENA in Chicago. MO ENA will send 2 people (travel/hotel). A total of 4 people are allowed to attend from each state. Faye Anne mentioned that there is talk of a tobacco tax increase to help increase education efforts geared toward young people. More information can be found at http://www.showmeabrighterfuture.com.

**Education –**

KC ENA will offer a free TNCC Course as an outreach to 10 critical access hospitals in NW Missouri. 2 people from the 10 hospitals will be able to attend. The cost of this course will be covered 50% thru a grant from MO ENA. KC ENA will cover the other 50% of the costs to allow the critical access hospital staff to participate. The course will be held at Hedrick Medical Center in Chillicothe, MO. Tasha Crawford and Cheryl Phillips will teach but still need to more instructors.

TNCC-I will be held 9/20/12 at NKCH. 9 have registered. The class has a cap of 12 participants.

CEN Review Course will be held 9/19 and 9/20 at NKCH. MONA has approved to give CEUs. NKCH will pay for Pat’s Honorarium and the course materials. KC ENA will pay for lunch, snacks, Pat’s expenses (food, hotel, mileage), and brochure printing. There are 10 signed up for CEN course.
**Communication**

Newsletter went out at last meeting. The Kansas City chapter link on MO ENA website now sends visitors to kcena.org.

**Membership**

KC ENA is currently having a membership drive. Cost is $70 per renewal or new member. All membership applications must be turned in to Stephanie Droppelmann by 8/31/12.

Heartland Health in St. Joseph, MO is sponsoring Trauma Trends Conference on 10/12/12. KC ENA is invited to have a table – need volunteers to man the table. Contact Stephanie if interested.

**Disaster Preparedness**

On 9/26/12 the region will hold a disaster drill from 0600 – 0900. There will be some radiological issues associated with this drill and the key factors to be practiced include patient tracking and security.

**Awards Banquet**

The Annual KC ENA Awards Banquet will be held 10/10/12 starting at 5PM at St. Joseph Medical Center in the Alex George Auditorium.

Nominations are due by 9/10/12 to Faye Anne Hughes. Nominating Committee Volunteers include Jennifer Ours, Becky Pence, Nicki Carlton, and Stephanie Droppelmann. The group will meet sometime after 9/10/12 to select award winners. Winners will receive prepaid ENA memberships. Non nurse winners will receive $50 Visa Gift Cards. There will be a drawing for all non-winning nominated nursing persons for a prepaid ENA membership.

Giveaways for the banquet were discussed the group liked scissors, pens with light (similar to ones given out at MO ENA Conference) and flash drives.

Nicki will coordinate the plaques and flowers.

Lori Davis volunteered to coordinate the cookies given out to local hospital EDs. Lori will bring the cookies to the banquet for delivery to various hospitals.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:36 PM.

The next meeting will be held October 10, 2012 (1500 – 1630) at St. Joseph’s Medical Center in the CSJ Classroom.