

KANSAS RESPIRATORY CARE SOCIETY

September 23, 2009

6:00 pm

Clarion Hotel

Garden City, KS

Members present:

Don Carden, Steve Ades, Terri Lesser, Karen Schell, Pat Patterson, Troy Gooch, Donna Johnson, Melanie Asmussen, Ed Anderson, Jon Finnegan, Jana Cox, Ken Killion, Pam Brown

Members absent:

Mark Brady, Pam Brown, Bev Irmey, Stacia Nordyke, Haley Busch, Monica Baden, Regina Chard, Dan Conyers, Rusty Taylor, Leona Evans, David Mantz

Guests present:

Michelle Leiker, Ladonna Sauer, Stan Munch, Cody Rogers

Welcome: Don Carden opened the meeting at 1800 and welcomed everyone. We ate a meal before we got down to business. The minutes from our June 4th, 2009 meeting in Salina were approved with a motion from Terri Lesser and a second from Pat Patterson. Don made the announcement that Brandee Hogue had officially resigned her position as Past President. Don announced that he had been notified by the AARC that the Kansas affiliate has won the 2009 Summit Award for outstanding society. This award will be presented at the AARC Congress in December. Monica Baden has been organizing the information for this award. Any activities by the society should continue to be sent to Monica. This is the 4th time we have won this award.

Treasurers Report:

Donna Johnson reported that we currently have a balance of \$17,725 in our checking account. She reported that so far she was aware that the Western Kansas meeting had brought in \$7,650 in income and \$936 had been turned in for expenses. She reported that our Certificate of Deposit had matured and been transferred \$17,000 to savings. The Russ Babb scholarship has \$10,000. David Mantz will chair this committee for this year. Discussion of this will be on our October meeting. Donna stated that she will email us a treasurer's report.

Delegates Report:

Karen Schell and Terri Lesser gave us a written report from the House of Delegates meeting that they attended July 21-22nd at Marco Island, Florida. They reported on orientation at the meeting that there were 31 new or substitute delegates. Vote totals for Kansas at the meeting were 555 active members (33 more members than from December 2008). There were no resolutions to consider. HOD speaker Cam McLaughlin from Virginia gave a status report on his 2009 goals. Past Speaker Frank Salvatore had no recommendations. A CoARC report was given by Shelly Mishoe that reported there are 376 currently accredited Respiratory Care Programs. A separation agreement from

CAAHEP has been signed and separation date is November 11. AARC COO Tom Kallstrom reported that the Asthma Course is now online only. There is a 10% reimbursement fee for those who sign up initially. The COPD educator course is available on line with the last live course October 2009 in Denver. World COPD day is November 18th. Aerosol Guideline document is available. Peak Performance USA is available. PAP adherence program will be available. The AARC has been asked to assist the HHS on the ventilator survey. We had discussion on how to reach those facilities that had not turned in the survey. The list of hospitals is not very current. Other highlights were: BOMA involved in the 2015 project. BOMA participating in Home Oxygen reform. Working with Sleep society to resolve issues regarding dual credentialing. AARC membership goal is 50,000 by the end of the year. Still in contact with congress on reimbursement of pulmonary rehab and RRT with BS as physician extenders. Review of affiliate bylaws is in progress. Kansas is due in 2011. Karen made a motion that we give \$100 toward international fellows. Terri seconded. Motion was carried. Kansas was given the challenge of increasing our membership by 37 by the end of the year. The election committee named the final slate of candidates of the 2010 election. Karen was nominated for speaker-elect for 2010 election. Debbie Fox has been awarded the lifetime membership award. The international congress this year will be held in San Antonio, next year in Las Vegas and in 2011 it will be in Tampa. The summer forum next year will be at Marco Island again. We were given a list of things to consider for next year. A report from the executive office called the AARC Activity Report was distributed for the board to review. This report gave an update and highlighted all of the activities that AARC executive office is involved in.

Legislative Update:

The legislative activity was covered in the delegates report.

Chapter Affairs: Ed had no report.

Nominating Committee:

Ed reported that he had 2 nominations for each position but he had not contacted all of the individuals that had been nominated. Ed was going to try and work to contact all of the nominations by the following day on September 24th. The following offices need to be filled: President-elect, Secretary, 2 Directors at Large, Treasurer elect. The Board was to meet on the 24th at the KRCS vendor booth at 1630 for follow up. The bylaws state that the ballots must be returned no later than 30 days prior to the annual business meeting and counted no later than 21 days prior to the meeting. The annual business meeting is scheduled for December 3rd.

Russ Babb Scholarship:

To be discussed at the October BOD meeting.

Membership:

This report was covered in the delegates report.

Publications:

Troy had no report.

Impaired Provider:

Pat Patterson reported that there are currently 10 people in the program. This is the highest number we have ever had in the program.

CEU Evaluator:

Melanie reported that new regulations were passed in July for continuing education hours. At least 6 hours have to be face to face hours. Live webcasts will count as long as there is opportunity for interactions. If a person receives their license before or by September 30th they have to have 12 CEUs before March 31st. If they receive their license after September 30th they are not required to have the 12 CEUs by March 31st.

Respiratory Care Council:

There is currently an opening in the Respiratory Care Council. It was reported that Dan Conyers is planning to apply. Jon Finnegan is planning to apply. Serena is planning to apply.

Smoking Cessation:

Karen had no report for smoking cessation.

Policy and Procedure Manual:

Karen has been working on compiling this manual together. Don is planning on getting us paper copies of what we have done for us to review.

Chapter 1 report:

Troy Gooch reported for Dan Conyers. He stated that chapter 1 had a meeting the day before where they had about 30 people attend. Chapter 1 is planning to partner with the Western Missouri chapter to do a seminar in February with the theme being on transplantation. Troy made the motion that the KRCS allow the Western Missouri district 1 to use the KRCS logo in a partnership arrangement for the meeting. Terri seconded the motion and it was approved.

Chapter 2:

No report.

Chapter 3:

Jana Cox reported that the Russ Babb seminar lost \$800 to \$900. Don commented that the speakers were very good.

Chapter 4:

Pam Brown reported that the Western Kansas meeting would be held next year in Hays on September 23rd and 24th.

Chapter 5:

No report.

Chapter 6:

No report.

Chapter 7:

No report.

Chapter 8:

Vacant.

Old Business:

No old business to address.

New Business:

Karen reported that Steve Nelson from the AARC had contacted her about being involved in a project that he was involved in. He is applying for a grant to do a project in getting displaced workers in the field of Respiratory Care. Karen contacted Don Richards and Pat Munzer to see if there is a screening device to be used to see if someone would be a good candidate as a health care worker. After grant money is received Kansas would be a pilot project. Karen will keep us posted on progress of this. The department of labor contacted the AARC to say that they had some grant money.

Terri made a motion to adjourn and Steve seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 2115.

Respectfully submitted:
Steve Ades, Secretary KRCS

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Don Carden, President KRCS