## Hawai'i State Council of

# The Emergency Nurses Association

An On-line "Zoom" Meeting held from 17:30:00 to 18:10 on August 13, 2020

Attending: Board - Steven Hobbs, Elaine Kaneshiro, Philip Vondrus, Melissa Dieter, Kevin Abee Members: Jeff Solheim (ENA Past President), and ten others online.

**Welcome:** by Steve Hobbs, President

Past Minutes: Minutes of June 4, 2020 were posted on the website and stand

approved, with no objection.

Financials: Current Bank Balance is \$38,662.23. Income slightly higher then

anticipated as more classes have been held, allbeit with much reduced

volume.

**Education:** TNCC/ENPC state Course listings are on National and State websites.

Focus this year on increasing number of instructors/Course Directors/

Faculty. Do not believe any virtual classes completed in-state. Jeff invited state instructors to participate in his upcoming virtual

classes. Contact Jeff if interested.

Bylaws: National is requesting all states to use a common template. Steve used

their template and incorporated our current bylaw elements; no process change, just language. Draft Bylaws and Attachments were posted on Website and went out with meeting notice. If after two weeks no objection is noted, they will be considered accepted as written and

submitted to National.

**COVID 19** Round Table discussion of status/developments at various Hawai'i

facilities. At least one State Council member is in quarantine for possible exposure. Steve noted Governor's News conference with 355 cases and 2 deaths today, 150 current hospitalizations, 29 ICU, and 22 on vents.

Kevin spoke of his perception of ongoing needs:

1) potential for insufficient PPE,

 current delays in testing (both ID Now 15" and 45" tests) due to insufficient supplies, limited analyzers creating isolation and patient backlogs in ED

3) Physical patient space concerns

4) MH-1 patients creating a "backlog" at QMC-P and Castle.

Brief discussion of how state council could assist and communicate our

concerns.

#### EN20X

Las Vegas onsite meeting is cancelled; credits/refunds available for those who have paid. Moved to virtual "online" meeting,

Sept. 8 General Assembly.

Hawai'i five (5) delegates are: Steve, Pam, Elaine, Phil, Ruthie plus TJ as alternate. Selected by points as described in State Council Bylaws.

Sept 9 - 11 Scientific Assembly . Online, member cost is \$100. Three days of up to 57 CEU events, venders, networking. Will be recorded for later viewing by registrants.

#### **EmerNursesWeek**

Emergency Nurses Week is Oct. 11 - 17, 2020. State Council planned on hosting event of premier of "In Case of Emergency" documentary film, an educational offering, and catered dinner. Lt. Gov. Josh Green to attend and present. Public media to be invited.

Steve expressed concern that given state's Covid status, it may well be impossible to have this as a live event. It just does not feel like a good idea at present. Should we consider attempting to have a virtual event as alternative?

Jeff Solheim suggested that we rather still plan on live event, but hold it next year. There are many benefits from publicity from event and film reportedly being re-edited to include more Covid response footage. It still may be released in October, however. There was a general consensus that we should follow this latter plan.

The Board will look at alternatives for this year's Emergency Nurses Week and 50th Anniversary ENA.

### **Elections**

National: Elections are Aug. 20 - Sept. 10. Meet the Candidate online Aug. 18th. One local member is running for national office.

State: Call for President Elect nominations. Contact Pam West by Oct.1st. Online election two weeks later.

Next meeting Oct. I, 2020: Zoom Session