

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS



Annual Meeting at ACEP23

Wednesday, October 11
4:30 PM – 7:00 PM
Pennsylvania Convention Center
Room 119 AB

Minutes

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE SECTION CHAIR AND ARE PENDING APPROVAL BY THE WILDERNESS MEDICINE SECTION AT THE ANNUAL SECTION MEETING DURING ACEP24. ANY CHANGES WILL APPEAR IN THE MINUTES OF THAT MEETING.

Participants

Over 35 participants were in attendance including Section Officers: David Young, MD, Chair; Patrick Burns, MD, Chair-Elect; Tara Taylor-Jean Haston, DO, FACEP, Immediate Past Chair; Marc Cassone, DO, Secretary; Maude Surprenant Hancock, CAE, Staff Liaison and Jami Johnson, PharmD, DABAT, Medical Science Liaison with BTG Pharmaceuticals, section meeting sponsor.

Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review and Approval of 2022 Annual Meeting Minutes
3. Councilor Report
4. Sponsor Presentation: *Measurement of the Oligosaccharide Alpha-Gal in Pit Viper Antivenom*, Jami Johnson, PharmD, DABAT, Medical Science Liaison (BCMAS), BTG Pharmaceuticals
5. Member Presentation: *Wilderness as Medicine for Emergency Clinicians*, Linda Keyes, MD FACEP
6. Wilderness Medicine Section Photo Contest Results
7. Board Liaison Report
8. Secretary Election
9. Section Goals and Objectives for the Upcoming Year
10. Reception

Major Points Discussed

1. Dr. Young opened the meeting by welcoming and thanking everyone for attending. The section officers in attendance introduced themselves: Chair: David Young, MD; Chair-Elect: Patrick Burns, MD and Taylor Haston, DO, FACEP, Immediate Past Chair. The officers reported on the indoor rock climbing activity held the day before (10/10), the upcoming EMRA MedWAR, and invited all who have an interest in getting involved with the section to reach out to them. They also thanked BTG for sponsoring our meeting and reception and for their ongoing support of our section activities.

2. Dr. Keyes made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2022 annual section meeting. It was seconded by Dr. Burns.
3. Dr. Peterson, Alternate Councillor, represented our section at the 2023 Council meeting. She filled in for Dr. Stannard who had a last minute emergency and could not travel to Philadelphia. Dr. Peterson was not able to attend our section meeting and Dr. Burns reported on her behalf. Her [full report is available here](#).
4. Jami Johnson, PharmD, DABAT, Medical Science Liaison at BTG Pharmaceuticals gave the following presentation: *Measurement of the Oligosaccharide Alpha-Gal in Pit Viper Antivenom*.
5. Section member, Dr. Linda Keyes, presented *Wilderness as Medicine for Emergency Clinicians*.
6. Dr. Young announced this year's photo contest winner and honorable mention. Winner: [Climber at Camp Schurman - Mount Rainier](#) by Ally Dove. Cory Kim received an honorable mention for [A Ship in Passing](#). He congratulated the winners, thanked everyone who participated in the contest and encouraged submissions to next year's contest.
7. Dr. JT Finnell, ACEP Board liaison to the Wilderness Medicine Section, provided a brief report of several new ACEP initiatives including [ACEP Open Book](#), changes to the ACEP Scientific Assembly exhibit hall with a more significant redesign coming in 2024, [Practice Essentials of Emergency Medicine](#), and the [Wellness Guidebook](#).
8. Due to a vacancy in the Secretary office, an off-cycle election was conducted via anonymous ballots. Two candidates ran for the Secretary position: Marc Cassone, DO, FAWM, DiMM and Justin Gardner, DO, FAWM, DiMM. Marc Cassone, DO, FAWM, DiMM was elected and will be serving for one year, the remainder of the current Secretary term.
9. Dr. Young closed the meeting inviting everyone to think about how the section can best meet member needs and to reach out to him or any of the other officers with their ideas. The officers will soon start planning for the year ahead and welcome everyone's input.

The meeting was adjourned around 5:45 PM and attendees enjoyed a networking reception.