



**Meeting Minutes  
March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**Location: SNGH Brickhouse Classrooms**

**Call to order @ 1830 PM by Janice McKay, President. Welcome to all in attendance and to those at Riverside Regional Medical Center via the polycom. Self introductions done by all in attendance.**

**Treasurer's Report: Balance \$10,878.22 as of Feb 28<sup>th</sup>. For reimbursement of expenses, please submit your receipts to Terry Morefield and Linda Whitt.**

**New Business:**

**A. State Council mtg held Feb 23 in Mechanicsville, majority of mtg spent going over Budget for 2010. Met with Accountant regarding 501C3 Status of Virginia chapters. Next State mtg will be in Charlottesville on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

**B. Leadership Update given by Janice, slide show on "10 Things I learned @ Leadership", very informative and great educational sessions**

**C. "Pass the Hat" theme for the ENAF State Challenge to raise money to donate to ENAF.**

**D. National Candidates- Elections begin in May, encourage all ENA members to view and listen to "platforms" of the candidates which is available on the ENA website.**

**E. Resolution was submitted to National ENA by Janice McKay on "Promoting Safe Interfacility Transports by discouraging the practice of "helicopter shopping." Draft of resolution was provided for the chapter to review.**

**Old Business:**

**A. TEMS – taking nominations for their award program; "Outstanding Emergency Nurse" is one of the categories and nominations are to be submitted by 5/7/10. Awards to be given on 6/19/10 @ the TEMS Picnic @ the Norfolk Zoo. Please nominate outstanding nurses you work with every day!**

**B. ENA National Award Program deadline for submitting nominations is 5/3/10. Nominate your peers! Several members of TENA have won various awards offered by ENA such as, Kathie Carlson and Cathy Fox. Criteria listed on national website.**

## **Committee Reports:**

### **A. Education:**

**TNCC – Loretta Martin - Sentara course had 11 attendees, all passed. Next course is May 15/16<sup>th</sup> @ SNGH –Open course**

**ENPC – Cathy Fox - Held @ Portsmouth Naval Medical Center, had 18 successful participants. Next course will be this summer @ SVBGH, then a course @ Riverside Nov5-7<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**CEN Review – Cathy Fox - Has 25 signed up participants for the course to be held @ Maryview on March 26/27<sup>th</sup>. Co sponsor of course is Bon Secours. Extra books have been ordered.**

**CATN – Cathy Fox - Two courses to be held, one in Fredericksburg on April 16/17<sup>th</sup>, and then @ Inova in Northern VA May 1/2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**SESS – Cathy Fox - Is one month away, being held in Myrtle Beach @ Embassy Suites, April 7-11. Pirates of the Carolinas is the Theme. Many great lecturers have been signed. Will have 3 Presessions, CEN Review, CATN, and CPEN Review. Babysitting services will be available since this is Spring Break for many schools.**

**Membership: Pat O'Donnell - Currently 235 members of Tidewater ENA. On Feb list from National, 20 new ones in VA, 4 for TENA. Keep your address updated so you keep getting the fliers.**

**Community Services: Loretta Martin & Janice McKay - MS Bike Ride is on Eastern Shore, see flier, need volunteers for 1<sup>st</sup> Aid stations. Also will supply first aid for a run by EVMS on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

**TEMS Council: Janice McKay - Next mtg is March 11<sup>th</sup>. EMS will keep their funding through the state. TEMS will be going through a site visit to determine whether the Virginia Councils need to consolidate or remain as they are.**

**Website: Carl Ray - Any suggestions for improvements, ideas, please send to Carl. Same if you want something posted to the web site. Lots of information available on the website, very informative!**

**Government Affairs: Karen Reilly-Follin - Huge budget cuts will occur this year, information will be on TENA website. There is a lot of information to share. Highlights: new seatbelt law, a requirement for those aged 18 and younger to wear seat belts in back seat. Three Poison Control Centers in VA, all very busy, had their budgets cut 15% last year, 65% is being cut this year. May end up only having enough money to run one center, ending up with callers being on hold for long periods of time. Decrease in Medicare eligibility, less children and people will qualify for Medicare, thus less reimbursements for ED's, Peds and OB. Number of Bills decreased with state, hard decisions being made to cut funding especially in Medical and Educational areas. Bake sale was held in front of capital to raise money for the state budget.**

**Student Nurse Liaison: No report**

**Next meeting will be held at Sentara Princess Anne. Speaker will be Dr. Wagner, EPT  
Topic will be “Things are not always as they seem.”**

**27 Attendees @ SNGH, with 5 attendees via webinar/polycom at Riverside**

**Respectfully submitted,**

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TENA Secretary**