



Virginia State Council

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**Board Members present:** Lisa Scott, President; Teri Diloy, President-Elect; Melissa Lynch, Secretary; Chris Parker, Treasurer and Past President; Vanessa Johnson, Director

**Board Member absent:** Cheryl Blicharz, Director

**Members and Guests:** Terrie Bliley, Kathie Carlson, Pam Carlson, Cathy Fox, Cindy Hearrell, Cameron Huston, Donna Hurst, Kathy Ingersoll, Lisa Jamerson, Casey Kline, Amy Krupa, Anna La Touche, Julie Mazzio, Pat O'Donnell, Lauren Plaine, Bonnie Preuss, Kelly Schmidt, Kira Shifflett, Kelly Stephenson, Amy Stewart, Kristal Sullivan, Chris Taylor, Michelle Thorp, Toni Weathers,

## 1. Call to Order

### a. Establish Quorum

**Discussion/Summary:** Meeting called to order at 10:00 am EST; Members present, quorum established

**Motion:** No motion made.

**Action:** No action necessary.

### b. Welcome/Introductions

**Discussion/Summary:** Members self-introduced by current position and past/current roles

**Motion:** No motion made

**Action:** No action carried.

### c. Adoption of Consent Agenda

#### i. Approval of April 8, 2022 Meeting Minutes

**Discussion/Summary:** Proposed changes were sent out to the membership for review.

**Motion:** Motion made to adopt the April minutes with the recommended changes.

**Action:** Motion carried. Motion passed unanimously.

### d. Adoption of Meeting Agenda

**Discussion/Summary:** Agenda presented.

**Motion:** Motion made to adopt meeting agenda as presented.

**Action:** Motion carried; motion passed unanimously.

### e. Conflict of Interest Disclosure

**Discussion/Summary:** No conflict to disclose.

**Motion:** No disclosures.

**Action:** No action carried.

## 2. President's Report



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**Discussion/Summary:** TNCC 9<sup>th</sup> Edition Updates: The last day of the 8<sup>th</sup> edition provider course is July 23, 2023. Information transition webinars will be available on ENA Connect for course directors and instructors (June 30, July 28, and August 25). Please reach out to Lisa Scott or Kristal Sullivan for any questions or concerns. ENPC 6<sup>th</sup> Edition Updates: Last day to teach the 5<sup>th</sup> edition instructor course is August 31<sup>st</sup>. Last day to teach the 5<sup>th</sup> edition provider course is January 23, 2023. The 6<sup>th</sup> Edition updates will be available in October/November. There are informational transition webinars available on ENA Connect for course directors and instructors (June 30, July 28, and August 25). Pilot classes for the 6<sup>th</sup> Edition are starting this week. The Virginia pilot course will be held in August. ED Nurses Week Virtual 5k: Registration is now open for the virtual 5K Challenge. EN Week is October 9-15<sup>th</sup> and all are encouraged to participate. The state (in each category) with the highest number of registrants will win bragging rights along with one free membership and a one-year membership to ENA's Master class to give away. Please encourage friends and family to participate as well. You can register online at [ena.org/about.enweek5kchallenge](http://ena.org/about.enweek5kchallenge). Membership Benefits: ENA has added new member benefits on brands like Hello Fresh, Grub Hub, and Top Golf. Visit their website for more information. New draft position statement: ENA has a draft position statement, entitled "Child Passenger Safety in the United States," now available for review and comments online. Feedback is due by June 15<sup>th</sup>. Academy of Emergency Nursing: The Academy of Emergency Nursing will be inducting 3 new fellows this year. New online video series: ENA announced a partnership with dBase Media for plans of a unique online video series focused on solutions to today's challenges in emergency nursing and how that work is shaping our specialty's future. This will debut in September at EN22. It will also be hosted on the ENA website and ENA's YouTube channel.

**Motion:** No motion necessary

**Action:** No action carried.

### 3. Treasurer's Report

**Discussion/Summary:** Main account \$190,600.93. Debit account: \$4,735.99. Needed to resubmit the 2020 taxes. The 2021 taxes are still pending. Still have not received 2021 tax payments from the following chapters: Central, Lord Fairfax, and Shenandoah. The \$10,000 payment to the ENAF was received by ENA. This went to our endowment fund and the State Challenge. Currently working the reconciling missing TNCC/EMPC payouts for 2020 and 2021. Chris reminded chapter treasurers that financial statements must be submitted in a timely manner. Still missing documents from 1 chapter in March and 2 in April. Currently working on May and June financial statements. Currently working on merging all chapter bank accounts to Bank of America. This will eliminate the need for submitting financial statements since the state treasurer will automatically have access to these once accounts are merged.

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**Action:** No action carried.



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#### 4. Chapter Reports

##### Discussion/Summary:

1. Central VA (**Howard**) Presented by Kathy Ingersoll. Last meeting was April 12<sup>th</sup>. Next meeting is June 14<sup>th</sup>, sponsored dinner. Representative of Xarelto will be speaking.
2. Lord Fairfax (**Blicharz**) No report.
3. Northern VA (**Fitch**) Presented by Vanessa Johnson. Last meeting was May 10<sup>th</sup>. Recently had 3 members attend Day on the Hill. Next meeting is July 12<sup>th</sup>.
4. Rappahannock (**Sims**) Presented by Cindy Hearrell. No chapter activity. President has been unresponsive.
5. Roanoke (**Johnson**) No report.
6. Shenandoah (**Taylor**) Concerned that the planned August education day will need to be canceled due to lack of interest. Lisa Scott suggesting breaking up the speakers and offer monthly educational events to members.
7. Tidewater (**Mazzio**) Last meeting was a sponsored dinner on April 20<sup>th</sup>, 11 members present. Current membership is at 297. Next meeting is a Beer and Bonding Night at Big Ugly Brewing Company on June 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Motion:** No motion made.

**Action:** No action carried.

#### 5. Committee Reports

##### Discussion/Summary:

1. Membership Committee (**O'Donnell**) Membership numbers have dropped since the last meeting. Please be sure to change your demographic information as needed with ENA to ensure you receive communications. Chapter presidents, please remember to reach out to new members and welcome them either via letters or emails.
2. Government Affairs Committee (**Plaine**) Day on the Hill was a success. We were able to add in extra members from Virginia due to open seats being available. Lauren is encouraging starting an earlier application process next year to bring even more people in. OSHA is currently asking for input from ENA about emergency standards in infection prevention and control during COVID.
3. Injury Prevention Committee (**Fox**) All 9 police departments in Hampton Roads are now requesting help with gun safety programs across the state at all school levels and is assisted living communities. Amy Stewart heads up trauma education at Henrico Doctor's Hospital-Forest. She has been offering gun safety programs in tandem with Stop the Bleed courses but has not had any participation yet. Virginia is 4<sup>th</sup> in the US is suicides by gun. Cathy Fox recently purchased ENA's Gun Safety educational materials,



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and she does not feel like it offers enough information. She is currently adding to it, to present at future educational opportunities. VCU recently reached out to Cathy Fox for assistance with gun safety education. Per Kristal Sullivan, CHKD is currently offering a gun lock program with the police department and is hoping to expand to PCP offices. Cathy Fox is currently requesting volunteers to assist with gun safety programs. Names of members interested were recorded and provided to Lisa Scott.

4. Pediatric/ENPC Committee (**Summerlin**) New pilot course for the newest edition will be held in Lynchburg in August.
5. Trauma/TNCC Committee (**Sullivan**) Both In-person and Virtual class options are still being offered.
6. Education (**Martin**) No report
7. Fundraising Committee (**Plaine**) No report.
8. Awards and Scholarships Committee (**Duff**) No report
9. EMS Advisory Board Representative (**Smith**) No report
10. Virginia EMSC (Rasmussen) No report.
11. Student Nurse Representative (**Griffin**) No report.
12. Remembrance Committee (**Preuss**): Bonnie is currently requesting emails from people who have previously reached out to her if they have not heard back from her yet. Celebration of Life for Linda Whitt is being held August 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Motion:** No motion made.

**Action:** No action carried.

## 6. Unfinished Business:

**Discussion/Summary:** Day on the Hill: More than 140 ENA members from across the country were able to attend, including several from Virginia. ENA's primary legislative "asks" were: Support the Future Advancement of Academic Nursing Act (HR851/S246).; support the Workplace Violence Prevention for Health Care and Social Service Workers Act (HR1195); and support the Effective Suicide Screening and Assessment in the Emergency Department Act (HR1324.S467). ENA also partnered with Baldwin and ACEP to host a media event raising awareness about workplace violence in the ED.

**Motion:** No motion made.

**Action:** No action carried.

**Discussion/Summary:** ENAF State Challenge: Virginia ENA raised \$11,185 for the state challenge this year. This includes what was budgeted and what team members raised. This number may not be completely up to date, however. Other chapters have sent in donations and do not appear to have been added to that total by ENA yet. Great job!



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**Motion:** No motion made.

**Action:** No action carried.

**Discussion/Summary:** VENA Awards: 2022 VENA awards have been reopened for nominations. The deadline to submit will be September 1<sup>st</sup>. and the awards will be presented in person at the State Annual Conference in October. Visit our website or social media for awards and criteria.

**Motion:** No motion made.

**Action:** No action carried.

**Discussion/Summary:** VENA Conference: The conference is scheduled for October 21<sup>st</sup>. Will be in person at the Four Points by Sheraton in Richmond. Save the date reminders have been shared via social media. An email will be going out to all members. Please share with your departments and colleagues. The October meeting will be held the evening prior to the conference at the hotel on October 20th. More information to follow. Per Teri Diloy, 6 speakers have been selected for the conference and she is currently waiting on COI form from conference committee members and the speakers. Teri Diloy and other VENA board members will be visiting the conference venue later today to see it and pick up the latest contract. The theme of the conference is "Recovery, Rebuild, and Recharge". Current speaker topics include compassion fatigue, transgender care, sepsis, cardiology, geriatrics, and pediatric neurology. Cindy Hearrell stated, we have 1 paid vendor currently, with 5 others stating their intent to join the conference. A total of 22 vendors have been contacted.

**Motion:** No motion made.

**Action:** No action carried.

**Discussion/Summary:** General Assembly: General Assembly will be held September 29-30<sup>th</sup> in Denver, in person. A virtual option will be offered for viewing only. Delegate applications are due by July 1<sup>st</sup>. If chosen, you are required to attend the August 12<sup>th</sup> VENA meeting.

**Motion:** No motion made.

**Action:** No action carried.

**Discussion/Summary:** EN22: The deadline for VENA conference scholarships has been extended until July 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are unable to attend in person, this scholarship can also cover the cost of virtual attendance. Early Bird registration for EN22 ends July 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Motion:** No motion made.

**Action:** No action carried.

## 7. New Business

**Discussion/Summary:** Succession Planning: Chapters should be thinking about succession planning for 2023. Please begin to reach out to potential members now. If you are planning on running for the



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state board, we will be having a transition meeting directly after the December meeting here in Richmond. We have several chapters that are barely functioning and if do not want to proceed into a two-tier state status, we need to have functioning chapter boards. There are currently, 3 to 4 very inactive chapters. We potentially face the need to combine a few chapters to promote activity. There is also the possibility of becoming a two-tier state and no longer having any chapters. The current chapters would become special interest groups (SIGs). SIGs are utilized in other two-tier states, such as Connecticut, per Cindy Hearrell and Kathie Carlson. Chris Parker recommends input from membership from all chapters regarding the transition from a three-tier to a two-tier state. All chapters need to be represented on the proposed ad hoc work group. Names of members interested in joining the proposed ad hoc workgroup were recorded and provided to Lisa Scott.

**Motion:** To create an ad hoc work group for the purpose of discussing the possible transition from a three-tier with chapters to a two-tier state council with SIGs.

**Action:** Motion passes.

**Discussion/Summary:** Open Discussion: Michelle Thorp, from Central VA Chapter, asked about holding a fun event as a VENA Rally. Suggestions made such as a day at Kings Dominion, Busch Gardens, or at a sporting event. Could we create T-shirts for the event? Could we seek sponsors to provide discounted tickets for members to attend. Vanessa Johnson proposes a joint chapter meeting in her area to boost activity and participation. There is a common problem across the state of lack of new members joining chapters and attending events. Per Chris Parker, this is a very common problem across the country. Many states are having difficulty even filling delegate seats for General Assembly. How do we show members the value of attendance? ENA will be launching a new video series to help discuss our "Why".

**Motion:** No motion made.

**Action:** No action carried.

**Discussion/Summary:** Conference Scholarship Drawing: \$500 scholarships for EN22 were given to members present in person at today's meeting. Members offered scholarships were Pat O'Donnell, Amy Stewart, and Michelle Thorp.

**Motion:** No motion made.

**Action:** No action carried.

8. Meeting Adjourned 11:43 EST

Submitted by:

*Melissa Lynch, BSN, RN, CEN* (electronically signed)