

Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologist
2006 Business Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 8, 2006

Meeting called to order at 8:00 am by Mack Sewell.

Roll Call

Roll Call of the States by Patrick McConnon, Executive Director:

Present: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, , Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming.

Absent: Delaware, Federated States of Micronesia, Guam, Maine, Mississippi, Montana, North Dakota, Northern Mariana Island, Puerto Rico, South Dakota, Virgin Islands.

Secretary-Treasurer Report

Eddy Bresnitz presented the financial statements to the membership. The report was based on the audited financial statements from September 29, 2004, to September 30, 2005, conducted by the independent auditor, Conn and Company from Atlanta, Georgia. The report included no material weaknesses and no reportable conditions were identified. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements were disclosed, and CSTE qualified as a low risk auditee.

A motion to accept the financial statements for the period September 29, 2004, to September 30, 2005, was accepted from the floor and seconded. The membership voted to accept the financial statements as record.

Business Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the 2005 Business meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the 2005 Albuquerque, New Mexico, Business Meeting minutes was brought from the floor, and seconded by the membership. A vote was taken, and the 2005 Business Meeting Minutes were approved.

Discussion and Vote

- o Proposed changes to CSTE By-laws and Constitution on Voting Rights
 - o The proposed changes were defeated by the CSTE membership.
- o Proposed changes to CSTE Constitution and By-Laws on Committee Structure To Add Sections
 - o The proposed changes were tabled by the CSTE membership but with a work group formed for more discussion.
 - o EC will discuss in further detail in the next Executive Committee Meeting.

Executive Committee Elections

Eddy Bresnitz called for the election of open positions on the Executive Committee. The appointments of tellers were Patty Quinlisk, Matt Cartter and MarySue Shulin.

Ballots were distributed by the tellers for each open position. The ballots were distributed to each state representative.

Eddy Bresnitz called for membership to vote for the **President-Elect** position. The names on the ballot were Mel Kohn, Eddy Bresnitz and Ellen Mangione. There was a call for additional nominations from the floor. With no nomination from the floor, a motion was called to close the nominations, and seconded. **Eddy Bresnitz** was elected to the President-Elect position.

Eddy Bresnitz called for membership to mark ballots for the **At-Large Position**. The names placed on the ballot were Gail Hansen, John Horan, Jo Hofmann, Jose Montero, Perry Smith, and Duc Vugia . **Jo Hofmann** was elected to the At-Large position.

Eddy Bresnitz called for membership to vote for the **Secretary-Treasurer position**, left vacant following Eddy Bresnitz' election to the President Elect position. Nominations from the floor were Perry Smith and John Horan. **Perry Smith** was elected to the Secretary Treasurer position.

Eddy Bresnitz called Membership to mark ballots for the **Environmental/Occupational Injury Chair**. Nominations were David Johnson and Richard Kreutzer. The Secretary, Eddy Bresnitz, announced the results that **Dave Johnson** was elected to the Environmental/Occupational/Injury position.

Position Statements

Prior to the Business Meeting, the CSTE members had discussed each position statement in committee and proposed a consent calendar to the CSTE membership. The consent calendar represented position statements about which the membership had no concerns as written.

The CSTE members voted to pass the 2006 Position Statement consent calendar.

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| 06-EC-01 | Workforce Capacity: Investing in the Next Generation of Public Health Epidemiology and Laboratory Leaders |
| 06-ID-01 | Revision of the Surveillance Case Definition for HIV Infection among Children age <18 months |
| 06-ID-02 | Revision of the Surveillance Case Definition for HIV Infection and AIDS Among Children age > 18 months but <13 years |
| 06-ID-03 | Guidelines for US-Mexico Coordination on Epidemiologic Events of Mutual Interest |
| 06-ID-04 | Assessment of Influenza Surveillance in the United States |
| 06-ID-05 | National Reporting for non-cholera Vibrio Infections (Vibriosis) |
| 06-ID-06 | Expanding Foodborne and Waterborne Outbreak Reporting to Include Other Enteric Disease Outbreaks |
| 06-ID-07 | Surveillance for Neonatal Herpes |

- 06-ID-08 HIV Incidence Surveillance
- 06-ID-09 Chronic Hepatitis B Virus Infection
- 06-ID-10 Acute Hepatitis C
- 06-ID-11 Surveillance for Staphylococcus aureus Infection with Decreased Susceptibility to Vancomycin, including both Vancomycin-Intermediate and Vancomycin-Resistant Staphylococcus aureus
- 06-ID-12 Improving Detection, Investigation, and Reporting of Waterborne Disease Outbreaks
- 06-ID-13 Varicella Vaccine Policy and Varicella Surveillance
- 06-ID-14 Enhancing local, state and territorial-based surveillance for invasive pneumococcal disease in children less than five years of age
- 06-ID-16 Revision of measles, rubella and congenital rubella syndrome case classifications as part of elimination goals in the United States
- 06-CD-01 Public Health Access to Student Health Information
- 06-EH-02 Improving the Tracking of Events Exposure and Disease during a Chemical/Radiological Disaster or Terrorist Event
- 06-OH-01 Reducing the risk of bronchiolitis obliterans due to diacetyl and other food flavorings

Position Statements that were discussed and approved by vote at the Business Meeting:

- 06-ID-15 Inclusion of Poliovirus Infection Reporting in the National Notifiable Disease Surveillance System

Position Statements that were discussed amended and approved by vote at the Business Meeting:

- 06-EC-02 Establishing the standard of Health Level 7 version 2.5 (HL7 v2.5) for public health electronic reporting by Jan 1, 2008
- 06-EC-03 Coordinated state, federal and local public health surveillance using BioSense for situational awareness.

Position Statement that was withdrawn and not voted:

- 06-EC-04 Conducting crosscutting research to build and evidence base for effective community health assessment practice.

2006 Annual Conference

The next CSTE Annual Meeting will take place in New Jersey.

Miscellaneous:

- o CSTE is to consider having a New State Epidemiologists Orientation and manual for New State Epidemiologists.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned as President C. Mack Sewell handed the gavel to President Bob Harrison at 10:15 am.