



Business Meeting

May 3, 2024

8:15-10:00 AM ET

Tampa, FL & Zoom

Agenda

Welcome/Call to Order	Peter A. Pappas
Adoption of Minutes (February 2024)*	Peter A. Pappas
Financial Report*	Brian Hart
Department of Health Update	Michael Leffler
EMSAC Update	TBD
National COT Update	John H. Armstrong
FCOT Chair Report	Peter A. Pappas
Standards/FTSAC Update	Lisa DiNova Laura Hamilton
AFTC Update	Candace Pineda
Vice Chair Updates	
• Advocacy Committee	Enrique Ginzburg
• ATLS/Education	Luis Llerena
• Florida TQIP Collaborative	Ralph Barker
• Disaster Management & Preparedness/STB	Tracy Zito
• Emergency Medical Services	Jose Diaz
• International Affairs	Antonio Marttos
• Military & Civilian Affairs	David Ebler
• Level I Trauma Centers	R. Stephen Smith
• Level II Trauma Centers	Gary Curcio
• Pediatric Trauma	John Draus

Visiting Professor Lecture

Barbara Gaines, MD, FACS

10:00-11:00 AM

Abstract Competition

11:00 AM-12:00 PM

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**Florida Committee on Trauma
Business Meeting
Zoom**

February 5, 2024

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CALL TO ORDER

Peter Pappas, MD, FACS, called the Florida Committee on Trauma (FCOT) Business Meeting to order at 9:02 AM ET.

In attendance:

See attached list

Staff present:

Brian Hart, JD

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Dr. Pappas presented the minutes from the October 5, 2023 Business Meeting for approval. A motion was made to adopt the minutes from the Business Meeting held on October 5, 2023.

MOTION 24-02-1

MOTION APPROVED TO ADOPT THE MINUTES FROM THE BUSINESS MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 5, 2023.

FINANCE REPORT

Brian Hart, JD, Executive Director, provided the Finance Report. Mr. Hart noted that as of February 8, 2024, FCOT had \$170,620.35 in total assets, with \$153,155.63 checking and a fiscal year net profit to date of \$11,066.12.

FL DOH UPDATE

Kate Kocevar presented the Florida Department of Health update. Ms. Kocevar reported that there was no trauma related legislation in the 2024 legislative session. Ms. Kocevar also reported that in December 2023, the Governor appointed seven of the 12 members of the Florida Trauma System Advisory Council (FTSAC), and though the FTSAC roster remains incomplete, the DOH continues to hold commons hour meetings focused on maintaining the currency of the Florida Trauma Standards.

PULSARA UPDATE

Dr. James Woodson, CEO of Pulsara, introduced the Pulsara product to the FCOT membership and guests.

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Dr. Pappas provided the Chair’s Report. Dr. Pappas reported that FCOT remains committed to endorsing alignment of the Florida trauma standards with American College of Surgeons (ACS) guidelines, collaborating with the Florida DOH and Florida Trauma System Advisory Council (FTSAC) to ensure optimal care of Florida patients, and pursuit an ACS Consultative Visit. Next, Dr. Pappas reported that the FCOT Executive Board has reviewed and will share updates to ATLS fees and educator compensation. Dr. Pappas encouraged everyone to participate in DOH Commons Hours to discuss Florida trauma standards updates.

Next, Dr. Pappas encouraged volunteers for the new Emergency Medical Services Committee, Advocacy Committee, and International Affairs Committee. Finally, Dr. Pappas reviewed 2024 FCOT Calendar:

- March 6-9, 2024: ACS COT & ATLS Global Symposium
- April 29-May 3, 2024: Visiting Professor Week
- May 3, 2024: FCOT Annual Business Meeting and Abstract Competition
- May 17, 2024: Executive Committee Meeting at the Florida Chapter, ACS Meeting
- September 19, 2024: Business meeting at HCA Florida Lawnwood Hospital
- October 19-22, 2024: ACS COT & Clinical Congress
- November 12-14, 2024: ACS TQIP Annual Conference

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Dr. John H. Armstrong presented a National COT update. Dr. Armstrong reported that version 3 of the Stop the Bleed program is upcoming. Dr. Armstrong also reported that Stop the Bleed Day is May 23, 2024.

Next, Dr. Armstrong reported that support is needed to reverse the 3.4% Medicare physician payment cut that took place on January 1, 2024; urging use of SurgeonsVoice. Finally, Dr. Armstrong reminded everyone to get engaged

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STANDARDS/FTSAC UPDATE

through eDMEP, SurgeonsVoice, and SurgeonsPAC.

Lisa DiNova presented the Trauma Standards/Florida Trauma System Advisory Council update. Ms. DiNova reported on the seven appointments to the FTSAC, noting that a meeting could be planned as soon as March for the next quarterly meeting of FTSAC.

AFTC UPDATE

Candace Pineda provided the AFTC update. Ms. Pineda reported that AFTC met on February 7, 2024, inclusive of out-of-state trauma team members, and discussed BSCIP, the status of a new trauma registry, and formation of new subgroups on performance improvement and registries.

ADVOCACY UPDATE

Dr. Enrique Ginzburg provided the Advocacy Update. Dr. Ginzburg reported on the Miami-Dade County Juvenile Weapons Offenders Program (JWOP), specifically how such a program could be expanded in Florida.

ATLS/EDUCATION UPDATE

Dr. Luis Llerena provided the ATLS/Education Update. Dr. Llerena reported the FCOT Executive Board will soon consider the following updates to the ATLS fee structure:

- Maximum Tuition (In-State):
 - Physician: \$1,200
 - Resident: \$800
 - Student Refresher: \$950
 - Auditor: \$300
 - PA/NP/PE: \$300
- Maximum Tuition (Out-of-State):
 - Physician: \$1,900
 - Resident: (Host Discretion)
 - Student Refresher: (Host Discretion)
 - Auditor: (Host Discretion)
 - PA/NP/PE: (Host Discretion)

Dr. Llerena noted that these changes will be effective on Board approval. Dr. Llerena also noted the following changes under consideration to Educator expenses and the educator stipend:

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- Effective on Executive Board approval, FCOT will reimburse the host organization for one night in a reasonable local hotel, mileage in accordance with current IRS mileage rates, and reasonable business travel expenses incurred for in-state Educators.
- Effective January 1, 2025, upon Executive Board approval, FCOT will also reimburse the ATLS Educator stipend.

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FL TQIP COLLABORATIVE UPDATE

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Dr. Ralph Barker presented the Florida TQIP Collaborative update. Dr. Barker reported on the December 2023 TQIP meeting at the ACS COT annual conference, specifically noting that leadership from Georgia and Michigan presented on their respective TQIP Collaboratives. Dr. Barker also noted reminded of the discussions on BSCIP and Fall 2023 TQIP data presented during the ACS TQIP Florida breakfast.

Next, Dr. Barker reminded the membership of the Florida TQIP Collaborative severe TBI mortality initiative, encouraging all trauma centers to participate in the active survey and submit TBI practices.

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DMEP/STB UPDATE

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Dr. Tracy Zito presented the Disaster Management/Stop the Bleed report. Dr. Zito reported that a catastrophic statewide mass incident exercise continues to be possible based on the learnings from local activities and a commitment to collaborate from all trauma centers and necessary other functions.

Dr. Zito also reported on the Gray Book DMEP course requirement and the eDMEP, online program, noting that the eDMEP program is an excellent resource. Dr. Zito specifically noted that either the eDMEP or traditional DMEP will suffice for the ACS VRC requirement.

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Finally, Dr. Zito provided an update on Stop the Bleed matters, including the Florida Highway

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191	INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS UPDATE	Antonio Marttos presented the International Affairs Committee report. Dr. Marttos reported that the committee is considering a case presentation program and ways to encourage collaboration with Latin America for publications.
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198	MILITARY & CIVILIAN AFFAIRS	Dr. David Ebler presented the Military & Civilian Affairs report. Dr. Ebler reported that the immediate focus of the committee is to bridge the noted decline in medical readiness between times of conflict.
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204	LEVEL I TRAUMA CENTERS	Dr. Steve Smith presented the Level I Trauma Center Report. Dr. Smith continued to urge sites to utilize the FCOT mock surveys efforts, which remains the current focus of the committee.
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209	LEVEL II TRAUMA CENTERS	Dr. Gary Curcio presented the Level II Trauma Center Report. Dr. Curcio reported that the Level II Committee is focused on ensuring opportunities to collaborate between all hospitals, support access to ATLS, encourage level II trauma centers to host ASSET, DMEP, and ATOM courses, and support the mock survey opportunities provided by the Level I Committee.
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219	PEDIATRIC TRAUMA	Dr. John Draus presented the Pediatric Trauma Committee report. Dr. Draus shared the schedule for the 2024 Visiting Professor, Barbara Gaines, MD, from April 29-May 3, 2024.
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223		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 29, 2024: Wolfson Children’s Hospital (Jacksonville, FL)
224		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 30, 2024: UF Health Shands (Gainesville, FL)
225		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 1, 2024: Orlando Health Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children (Orlando, FL)
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ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Draus encouraged everyone to participate in as many Visiting Professor events as possible, whether online or in-person.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by Dr. Pappas at 10:48 AM ET.

FCOT Business Meeting Attendance

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Name (Original Name)

Adelyn (Susi) Mitchell HCA Lawnwood (Adelyn (Susi) Mitchell)
Alain Rodriguez TPC MRH (Alain Rodriguez MRH)
Alexandra Acosta
Alisha Douglas
Amie Bonham
Amie Bonham# TPD HCA Florida Memorial Hospital (Amie Bonham)
Amy Berger - UF Health Shands (Amy Berger)
Anail Pielago Jackson South (Anail Pielago)
Anastasia Hartigan# TPD Orange Park Hospital (Anastasia Hartigan)
Andrea OFlaherty - Sarasota Memorial (Jennifer Sweeney)
Angel Parra - Memorial Regional Hospital/JDCH (Angel Parra)
Anne Blevins
Antonio Marttos# JMh (Antonio Marttos)
Barbara Germain - Memorial Regional (Laurel Sinclair)
Brenda Benson, HCA
Brenda Shaver
Brian Hart# Florida Committee on Trauma (Brian Hart)
Candace Pineda# Memorial Regional Hospital (Candace Pineda)
Carol Bissinger# HCA Florida Blake Hospital (Carol Bissinger)
Cassandra Vazquez
Cassandra Vazquez MRH (Cassandra Vazquez)
Cecilia Romero
Cecilia Romero# HCA Memorial Jacksonville (Cecilia Romero)
Christian Schuetz - Sarasota Memorial (Jennifer Sweeney)
Christy Phillips
Christy Phillips# Holmes Regional Medical Center (Christy Phillips)
Cory Hewitt# HCA Florida Ocala Hospital (Cory Hewitt)
Craig Baumgartner-Guidewell Emergency Doctors/Pinellas County EM (Craig Baumgartner)
Cynthia Bernthal
Dailene Rivera# Memorial Regional Hospital / JDCH (Dailene Rivera)
Davi Rubay, MD
David Ebler# UF Health Jax (David Ebler)
David Summers# FL Department of Health (David Summers)
Dawn Lewis# Tampa General Hospital (Dawn Lewis)
Dea Sowers
Dustin Huynh# HCA Osceola (Dustin Huynh)
Enrique Ginzburg
Erika van Doorn# TMD Bayonet Point (Melissa Pomeroy Rickheeram)
ernest block#md/Osceola Regional and Lake Monroe (ernest block)
Faris Azar
gary curcio
Gina Long-Halifax Health (GINA LONG)

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Heather Ouellette Holmes Regional Medical Center (Heather Ouellette)
Heather Ouellette# TPM# Holmes Regional Medical Center (Heather Ouellette)
Hoan Bui - HCA Florida Aventura
Holly D'Eugenio
Jacob Dautel
James Cuoco Memorial Regional Hosp. (James Cuoco)
James T Woodson MD
Jami Rothenburg
Jason Stiles Fort Walton-Destin Hospital (Jason Stiles)
Jeana Swain# Orlando Health Orlando Regional Medical Center (Jeana Swain)
Jeanne Rodoski (Jeanne Rodoski)
Jennifer Cannaday - Nicklaus Children's Hospital (Jennifer Cannaday)
Jennifer Sweeney# TPD# Sarasota Memorial (Jennifer Sweeney)
Jessica Holmes
Jill Brown# HCA North Florida Division (Jill Brown)
Jodie Lindsey
Joel Rosales
John Armstrong
John Draus# Wolfson Children's Hospital (John Draus)
John Wilgis - FHA (John Wilgis)
Jonathan Meizoso# Ryder Trauma Center# UM (Jonathan Meizoso)
Jose Diaz USF/TGH (Jose Diaz)
Joshua Kronenfeld# JMH (Joshua Kronenfeld)
Julia Paul (Adult-TPM) UF Health Jacksonville (Dr. JULIA PAUL)
Julie Houston Holmes Regional Medical Center (Julie Houston)
Julie Valenzuela MD FACS# Ryder Trauma Center (Julie Valenzuela)
Karem Larrea
karen macauley - Johns Hopkins All Children's (karen macauley)
Karl Brennan Holmes Regional Trauma PI Coordinator (karl brennan)
Kate Kocevar# FL Department of Health (Kate Kocevar)
Katherine Littell
Katie Baumbach- Holmes Regional Medical Center (Katie Baumbach)
Kendra Holmes (Kendra Holmes)
Kim Foley HCA Florida Osceola Regional Hospital (Kimberly Foley)
Laurel Sinclair TPM MEMORIAL REGIONAL JOE DIMAGGIO (Laurel Sinclair)
Lawrence Lottenberg# St. Mary's Medical Center# FAU (Lawrence Lottenberg)
Leslie Dayton-Delray Medical Center (Leslie Dayton)
Lianne Brown# TPM-Ascension Sacred Heart Pensacola (Lianne Brown)
Lindsay Duffy# DON - Halifax Health (Lindsay Duffy)
Lisa DiNova - St. Joseph's Hospital (Lisa DiNova)
Luis Llerena
Luz Angela Miller Memorial Regional Hospital MRH (Luz Angela Miller)
Madonna Stotsenburg# St. Mary's Medical Center (Madonna Stotsenburg)
Maria Alfaro# Lee Health (Maria Alfaro)

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Mario Gomez
Mario Rueda
Maritza Rossini, JMH Ryder, TPD
Mark McKenney# Kendall (Mark McKenney)
Marta Morales# Jackson South TPM (Marta Morales)
Marytere Torres Memorial Regional (Marytere Torres)
Melanie Sinclair# Ascension Sacred Heart Pcola (Melanie Sinclair)
MELISSA COLLINS# TR# HALIFAX (MELISA COLLINS)
Melissa Pomeroy Rickheeram (Melissa Pomeroy Rickheeram)
Michael Tayler - Hillsborough Trauma Agency (Michael Tayler)
Milagros Rodriguez# Memorial Regional Hospital / JDCH (MILAGROS RODRIGUEZ)
Nicholas Namias# Ryder Trauma Center (Nicholas Namias)
Niki Rasnake-GCMC Lee Health Trauma Program Manager (Niki Rasnake)
Olu Sobowale# Lakeland Regional Health (Olu Sobowale)
Patricia Byers# Ryder Trauma Center# UM (Patricia Byers)
Patricio Lau MD Nicklaus children's hospital
Patsy Williamson Wolfson Children's Hospital (Patsy Williamson)
Peter Pappas
Phyllis Hendry
Pret Bjorn - UF Health Shands (Amy Berger)
Priscilla Bode# TPM- Baptist - Pensacola (Priscilla Bode)
R Stephen Smith
Rachael Hamlett# TPM# Halifax Helath (Rachael Hamlett)
Rachele Solomon - MRH (Rachele Solomon)
Ralph Barker
Rebecca McLellan
Rick Ricardi: Lake Monroe Hospital (Rick Ricardi)
Robert Borrego
Roberta Kopolovits-Memorial Regional Hospital/JDCH (Roberta Kopolovits)
Roberto Cortez
Samantha Troncoso-Munoz- Nicklaus Children's Hospital (Samantha Troncoso-Munoz)
Sarah-Ashley Ferencz# St Vincent Riverside (Sarah-Ashley Ferencz)
SCOTT ZENONI Holmes Regional Medical Center (SCOTT ZENONI)
Shakeva Swain-Nicklaus Children's Hospital (Shakeva Swain)
Shelby Marocco
Tabetha Harris UF HEALTH GAINESVILLE (Tabetha Harris)
Tiana Binxhiu
Tracy Zito# ORMC (Jeana Swain)
Vitina Kammin# HCA Florida Kendall Hospital (Vitina Kammin)