

First meeting of the Alabama Chapter of American Association of Women Emergency Physicians

April 5, 2005

Those in attendance: Jennifer McCain, Jackie Frazer, Annalise Sorrentino, Hillary Hendrick, Tom Terndrup, Terri Coco, Erica Liebelt, Ann Klasner, Vicki Hogan, Janyce Sanford, Steve Baldwin, Rashi Dhawan, Cristi Vaughn, Lisa Bunoy, Kathy Monroe, Kathleen Bowen

6:45 p.m. Meeting opened by Hillary Hendrick

1. Welcome/introduction—we were inspired by National ACEP/AAWEP, and the paucity in our environment of women EM physicians, and wanted the fellowship of our female colleagues.
2. Goals
 - a. Mentoring at all levels (medical student, resident, fellows, junior and senior level attendings)
 - b. Advancement of women in leadership roles
 - c. Encouragement of medical student involvement and interest in EM
 - d. To fellowship with other female EM and supportive male EM physicians, students, and mid-level providers
3. Alabama ACEP topics
 - a. Committee on Women's Issues in EM has been formed, headed by Jackie Frazer and Annalise Sorrentino, more to come on this later, also see ALACEP website.
 - b. Annual Alabama ACEP meeting June 12-15
 - i. Booth for information sharing and member recruitment will be open
 - ii. Lunch meeting of Alabama AAWEP on June 14th at noon (location to be announced)
4. Future meetings
 - a. Every other month on first Tuesday (we may increase this later if interest increases) Next meeting: August 7th.
 - b. Survey completed by meeting attendees on ideas for future topics
5. Community service projects
 - a. Please see web-site for future plans
6. Encouragement to join ACEP and the National AAWEP section
 - a. Membership forms were made available and are also available at ACEP.org on the web