Education Committee Meeting

Committee Members in Attendance:

Scott Ryckman, BFD Rick Kowsky, Cascade Amb Jerry DeBruin, WCFD 14 Steve Cohen, WCEMS Erica Littlewood, Ski Patrol Ben Russell, WCFD 7 Dawn Cannizzaro, WCFD 17 Mike Hilley, WCEMS Tony Melillo, SWFA Ben Boyko, WCFD 7 Duncan McLane, WCFD 11

CALL TO ORDER: Jerry DeBruin called the regularly scheduled Education Committee meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: December 2020 minutes, stand as written

REPORTS:

North Region:

Next meeting is on January 28th. Had E-Board Meeting: will be asking for more participation from counties. Will reach out to BTC to see if they are interested for school representation.

The Injury Violence prevention subcommittee picked two prevention programs: fall prevention and suicide. Will provide a 2–3-hour online March conference for EMS providers and general public.

Training Officers:

Interest in ALS/BLS interface class. MCI drill coming in.

CQI:

Last meeting was on Jan 7th. Talked over ImageTrend Statistics and making sure there is good documentation.

Held a good case review. (Hold off on Bicarb for ALS.)

CQI plan will updated.

Improve CQI processes by defining what exactly we wanted to look at.

Would like to see some unsuccessful cases reviewed also.

Co-chair position is transitioning from Duncan McLane to Steven Cohen.

TAB:

Meeting monthly for the levy. Diversion center is now open. Duncan McLane will chair TAB, and Mike Hilley will co-chair.

Hospital:

Phone system was overwhelmed and went down. Has new equipment on order. The hospital wants to organize training with the county agencies. Remind providers to not use patient names on radio.

Unfinished Business:

Nebs: Steve Cohen taught the train-the-trainer program to 9 attendees over 3 days. Training takes about 15-25 minutes.

Training videos could be used in the future, depending on the topic.

Will order some training items using grant.

CPAP training will come out in third quarter.

Protocols: List "these are elective"

Resuscitation academy: March 23rd date needs to be finalized. Once the 4-6 instructor course is done, will move to the next part which will be for public.

OTEP Plan/Program: Would like to combine the ALS and BLS plan. Recommendation was made that we synch ALS, BLS and EMSconnect to coincide with EMS Connect schedule.

A sub-committee was created to look over and decide number of requirements for OTEP. Will put together draft over the next 2 months. Chair: Ben Boyko. Duncan McLane, Tony Melillo, Scott Ryckman, Dawn Cannizzaro, Ben Russell, Steve Cohen.

New Business:

AED Pad Placement: WCFD 7 will be placing two separate sets of pads. Still have to use standard placement for AED mode. Medic 45 will be carrying extra set of pads in their Lucas device.

Training Survey: S. Cohen would like to send out a voluntary survey to agencies about training. The survey is 8 questions and anonymous.

Will ask at the chiefs meeting for current contact list for agencies contact.

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Will hold off on survey until after the chief's meeting.

Will send out survey thru EMS Council to the training officers and agencies contact asking for them to please distribute to your providers.

Mike H. will ask Mel Blankers to order a dozen extra straps for vacuum mattresses.

Temporarily hold off on putting anything thru Rescue Hub. Need Rescue Hub Committee to figure out how to best utilize RH.

Temporary subcommittee will be formed. Steve and the group Tony has: Jeff Heinrichs WCFD 8, Dawn C., Craig McGarrity WCFD 18, Darren Brannum WCFD 1, Lt. Moe, Chief Carlson WCFD 5, Tim Vandermay BFD. Need to check with Non-RH agencies.

Good of the order:

Josh Evans has been hired as new chief at WCFD 19

COVID-19 patient exchanges are not always taking place in the breezeway.

Medic 45 will be carrying an extra set of pads in their Lucas Device.

EMS Evaluator class:

Create an evaluator class that spans over 3 years rather than just one class. Include in the OTEP plan.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm