

Education Committee Meeting

Committee Members in Attendance:

Chris Carleton, WCFD 5
Dawn Cannizzaro, WCFD 17
Jerry DeBruin, WCFD 14
Erica Littlewood, SWFA
Greg Macy, WCFD 1

Tony Melillo, SWFA
Ben Russell, WCFD 7
Scott Ryckman, BFD
Dr. Marvin Wayne, MPD

CALL TO ORDER: Jerry DeBruin called the regularly scheduled Education Committee meeting to order at 1:33 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 2023 minutes, stand as written

REPORTS:

North Region:

The Injury prevention committee discussed getting funding for injury prevention mini grants and the suicide prevention symposium.

Funding:

The reimbursement from N. Region for EMT Equipment grant has been received.

Training Officers:

The training officers are working on the February 3rd & 4th, 2024 training officers conference that will be hosted at Skagit Valley College.

CQI:

Last meeting was on April 20th; next meeting will be in July.
Still looking for a CQI Co-Chair and a secretary.

TAB:

B. Boyko, J. DeBruin, D. Pethick are on a subcommittee to make recommendations on funding of training and education.

Another subcommittee consisting of S. Ryckman, B. Russell, Diana Clinch and Chris Hughes, is focusing on ALS for long term planning and how to analyze data when more resources are needed in the future.

Hospital:

Dr. Wayne is working on with PeaceHealth to agree to keep blood for the blood exchange program. He is also working with PeaceHealth on a fully funded research study with cardiology.

Discussed a need for a process to educate EMT's on how to ask pointed questions when contacting medical control.

An example in the Protocols of how to ask the question will be created.

Medical Program Director:

Handtevy system issues with CPR are being worked on.

Unfinished Business:

The EMS education system in the county was discussed.

An Education Subcommittee meeting will be scheduled.

EMT class being put on by Whatcom County EMS has been postponed until Fall.

Good of the Order:

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:43 pm