

General Committee Meeting

Committee Members in Attendance:

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| Gary Baar, Treasurer | David Darrah, WCFD 18 |
| Justina Bass, WCFD 16 | Greg Macy, WCFD 1 |
| Ben Boyko, WCFD 7 | Marc Davis, Lynden |
| Dawn Cannizzaro, WCFD 17 | |
| Jerry DeBruin, WCFD 14 | Scott Ryckman, BFD |
| Mike Hilley, WCEMS | Jennifer Squire, SWFA |
| Rick Kowsky, Cascade AMB | Becky Stermer, PH |
| Sam Llobet, Mt Baker | Rod Topel, SWFA |
| Jim Petrie, WCFD 17 | |

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| Guests: | Jennifer Keim, PH |
| Megan McCarthy Williamson, WCFD 19 | Susie Johnson, PH |

CALL TO ORDER: 1st VP Jerry DeBruin called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Whatcom County EMS & Trauma Care Council, to order at 7:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 2021 minutes, stand as written

REPORTS:

Executive:

Land acknowledgement statement and bylaw changes have been postponed until the January meeting.

Finance:

Checking: \$3512

Savings: \$199652

Investment Account: \$285,573

Education:

Still working on Resuscitation Academy. Should be out by beginning of 2022.

Q3 and Q4 OTEP has been sent out.

Whatcom County OTEP plan was sent to DOH and they have returned it with their recommendation for changes.

Tiffene Hanson has submitted a North Region Grant application request for fall prevention items.

CQI:

The last CQI committee meeting was held on October 7th

The CQI plan has been updated.

I the process of developing some KPI's. Will be looking at two areas over the next year to monitor and evaluate the process.

1. The use of the pelvic sling. (Intervention screen on the right side.)
2. Glucose checks being done after each suspected TIA stroke. (Vital sign screen)

Reminder: on right hand side on Image trend there is intervention button.

Also on the right-hand side is a button for medication.

Please be sure to open intervention and medication screens.

On the signature page, there is now a button to check on patient outcome.

Quarterly Newsletter will be going out to get information to all providers soon.

Ben Boyko shared a structure fire call. After attaching a heart monitor on healthy looking 12-month-old, it displayed the CO above 20%.

Reminder: LIFEPAK 15 has the alligator clips that will measure the carbon monoxide levels. The stickers for peds will not monitor CO.

Use the alligator clip that has the red connector in order to monitor carbon monoxide.

Regional Council:

Next North Region meeting will be on Nov. 4th.

There was a Regional MPD meeting; discussed the issue of where patients go/how they get there...

Discussed side effect issues from 1310. 5 doctors in the region will be writing letter to DOH expressing concern on providing a safety net on suicide patients at risk.

MPD:

Starting to modify and update the protocols.

Excited delirium was removed from vocabulary.

There will be an airway lab on 1st and 4th of November for ALS.

Heads up CPR will be introduced around the first of the year.

Injury Prevention:

Child passenger safety seat technician course will be held Oct 27th-30th. The class of 15 students is full.

Erica Littlewood has older car seats to donate. If you know of anyone who can benefit, please reach out to Erica.

Tiffene Hanson is working with fall protection and may bring something to the group next year as a project.

TAB

Last TAB meeting was on Sept 1st.

5th medic unit budget and planning are done. Contracts are in place waiting to be signed.

Equipment exchange program approved by TAB to buy oxygen tank setups.

BPD and WCFD 7 lateral paramedic funding proposal was approved to be part of 2022 budget.

Equipment Exchange: will outfit gurneys leased through the EMS Levy with O₂ Bottle and regulator. Will fill oxygen bottles first, hopefully all in one day. Will also be moving all the extra straps onto the rigs instead of the gurneys.

Hospital:

The hospital is on track to increase trauma registry volume by 10 % by end of the year.

Hoping to resume trauma simulations drills by end of October or November.

Ortho trauma service now has a group of orthopedic surgeons so will be sending less patients south.

Hospital is not transporting in because they are at capacity most days.

WC Admin:

Working on getting Levy planning/strategic plan done.

Alternate response transports-need to start getting input and putting plan together.

Unfinished business:

Erica L. is working on the bylaws and will have them at January meeting.

New Business:

Dr. Sullivan's applications for both CQI and Education Committee have been approved.

Jeremy Wilson's council membership application was approved on the condition that a supervisor signs the application or it is determined that he is supervisor.

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With no further business the meeting is adjourned at 8:12 pm