

**General Committee Meeting**

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Committee Members in Attendance:

Adam Anderson, WCFD 16

Chad Baar, LFD

Gary Baar, Treasurer

Justina Bass, WCFD 16

Ben Boyko, WCFD 7

Dawn Cannizzaro, WCFD 17

Christopher Carlson, WCFD 5

Rachel Carlson, WCFD 1

Steven Cohen, WCEMS

David Darrah, WCFD 18

Marc Davis, Lynden

Jerry DeBruin, WCFD 14

John Granger, WCFD 11

Michel Hilley, WCEMS

Rick Kowsky, Cascade

John Lewis, BFD

Michael Lish, WCFD 11

Erica Littlewood, Mt Baker Ski

Sam Llobet, Mt Baker Ski

Greg Macy, WCFD 1

Jim Petrie, WCFD 17

Ben Russell, WCFD 7

Scott Ryckman, BFD

Jennifer Squire, SWFA

Becky Stermer, SJPH

Jeremy Wilson, STS

Guest: Susie Johnson, SJPH

Guest: Mitch Nolze, SWFA

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

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** July 2022 minutes, stand as written

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**REPORTS:**

***Executive:***

The executive board recommend approval of the council membership application for Mitch Nolze, Education Committee application for Greg Macy and CQI Committee application for Marc Davis.

***Finance:***

As of Sept. 30, 2022:

Checking: \$74,050

Savings: \$131,942

Capital Group Investment Account: \$244,402

**Education:**

Resuscitation academy is still being finetuned.

Discussed holding a one-day conference making use of local talent.

BLS pilot program is being worked on.

Subcommittee of the Education committee for defining roles better and functionality of how BLS training is being rolled out. Will bring back to general council in Jan.

**CQI:**

The last CQI committee meeting was held on Oct 4th

Discussed pilot program of BLS case review.

Data collection is being worked on.

Provider care was discussed. Resources are being investigated further.

John Granger has agreed to be CQI secretary.

**Regional Council:**

Mike Hilley is new chairman. Rick Kowsky is treasurer.

Becky Stermer: focus on prehospital data for regional CQI

Phasing out support of Safe Kids at regional level.

N. Region Council approved all the grants that came through for this session.

There are several positions open on the council and also at the executive board level.

**MPD:**

Dr. Wayne is presenting at EMS World.

**Injury Prevention:**

Teen Heart Screen is still on hold.

Safety Fair at Barkley was held on Aug 20<sup>th</sup>. There were about 500 attendees. BFD was partner.

Burlington Child Passenger Safety Technician course, held the 1<sup>st</sup> week of October, had 16 students. There are 10 new techs; 4 in Whatcom County.

Need new lead agency for Safe Kids Northwest.

*WCEMSTCC Approved an extra \$227.72 for Stop the Bleed kits.*

**TAB**

Discussed at last meeting:

1. Contingencies if Levy should fail.
2. ALS contracts from 2023-2028
3. BLS allocation update
4. Medic 75 update on facilities and training
5. Draft amendments to ALS contract for lateral medic training.
6. Paramedic school update

***Hospital:***

Just started new fast track in rooms 2 and 3 from 11:00am -11:00pm to help mitigate the high volumes. It is lowering the % of patients leaving without being seen.

Trauma Designation virtual survey will be on Jan 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>.

Stop the Bleed boxes will go near AED sights

WCEMS and PeaceHealth will be going to Lynden High School on Nov 7<sup>th</sup> to train Stop the Bleed to students and will do a course for the public on Nov 14<sup>th</sup>.

Partnered with Seattle Children's in Sept. at Sportsman's Warehouse for gun safety. Around 600 gun safety devices were given out.

***Unfinished business:***

The 7-Sigma airway manikins were returned. Will be ordering new manikins from TruCorp at a cost of \$20,696.25 which will also include child, baby and cases.

***New Business:***

*Motion (Petrie/Boyko) to approve the application of Marc Davis, Mitch Nolze, and Greg Macy to the council. All in favor, Motion was approved.*

WCEMS EMT Course: WCEMS received \$141,000 for rural and tribal communities for EMT course.

Working on logistics but tentatively planning to hold EMT course in June 2023 and June 2024.

Looking for SEI's and EMS Evaluators.

WCEMSTCC is looking into holding future meetings in person at station 46.

***Good of the order***

Levy coming up on ballot.

Kudos to the hospital who had fastest door to cath lab in 2022 and had a good outcome.

With no further business the meeting is adjourned at 8:00 pm