

Education Committee Meeting

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Committee Members in Attendance:

Chris Carleton, WCFD 5  
Dawn Cannizzaro, WCFD 17  
Steven Cohen, WCEMS  
Jerry DeBruin, WCFD 14  
Mike Hilley, WCEMS  
Tony Melillo, SWFA

Heather Ripke-Olson, WCFD 14  
Ben Russell, WCFD 7  
Rob Stevenson, BFD  
Shaun Ward, NWFRS  
Dr. Marvin Wayne, MPD  
Dr. Ralph Weiche, Supervising Physician

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

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** September 2023 minutes, stand as written

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**REPORTS:**

***North Region:***

North Region has approved \$7500 for Whatcom County to purchase Vacuum Mattresses. The general council will be asked to match funds.

Mini Grant applications are out and will be for \$600.00.

N region will use \$3500 to have a ½ day conference next year. Topics may include mental health and some trauma education.

WCEMS is looking at putting a small local conference together.

Need to have better tracking of inventory for maintenance, etc.

***Training Officers:***

An Evaluator course will be held on Nov 18th

New BLS evaluator instructor is needed for 2024. The pay is \$50/hour.

***CQI:***

Last meeting was on April 20<sup>th</sup>; Still looking for a CQI Co-Chair and a secretary.

Still working on outlining a plan for where all committees fit.

Equipment usage training is needed.

EPCR completeness needs work.

**TAB:**

Created a work plan for 2024.

**Hospital:**

A tabletop county wide MCI event will be held on October 25<sup>th</sup> at 9am.

October 29<sup>th</sup> refresher training for aid room workers will be held Oct. 29th. This will be a series of lectures followed by skill stations.

Need to use traction splint for femur fracture.

There is concern from Dr's that the callers are not clear on what they are asking.

Weiche recommends using SBAR format when calling. (Situation, background, assessment, recommendation).

Dr. Weiche is willing to do a 5-minute video describing SBAR format and this could go on RescueHub.

Remind providers to give time of tourniquet application.

**Unfinished Business:**

MCI equipment: Tony M will give a report at November meeting.

**New Business:**

**Good of the Order:**

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:17 pm