

**SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA CARE COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
January 21, 2015**

Cathy St. Amand called the meeting to order at 0900 and those present introduced themselves.

Members/Alternates/Ex-Officio Present:

Jay Atwood, Don Ballard, Sharon Colby, Dawn DePriest, Dr. Travis Dierks, Dr. Joel Edminster, Brian Foster-Dow, Greg Godfrey, Dr. Chandler Hill, Kelly Jennings, Mike Lopez, Jerry Lueck, Dr. Nolan McMullin, Dr. Jim Nania, Gino Palomino, Shaun Pitts, Patrick Ramsey, Adam Richards, Patti Richards, Samantha Roberts, Shane Sanford, Jim Schaffer, Wade Scoles, Cathy St. Amand, Steve Tevlin, Jim Walkowski

Guests Present:

Dave Byrnes (MRC), Dr. Madeleine Geraghty, Ben Sabori (SCC), Janette Worley (Deaconess)

Staff Present:

Cindy Pavlischak, EMS Office Administrator

MINUTES:

It was M/S/P to approve the minutes from the previous meeting in December 2014.

CHAIR'S REMARKS:

- Bylaws change: Kelly Jennings provided the third and final reading of the proposed bylaws change addressing FAFB representation on the Council and a verbiage change for QI committee representation addressing a shared physician advisor for SFD and SVFD.

Action: It was M/S/P to approve the proposed changes.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- 2014 End-of-Year Finance Report: Jim Schaffer said the end-of-year financials look good. The Council will carryover about \$100,000 in savings to 2015.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Pyramid system: Dr. Nania said there is nothing new to report at this time. Spokane Fire Department is working on possible options to gather similar data and there may be a way to get this info through WEMISIS.

Action: Continue on the agenda.

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OLD BUSINESS CONT:

- WEMSIS training update: Dr. Nania – nothing new to report. As mentioned last month, Cindy contacted Melissa Belgau, the WEMSIS Administrator, regarding different kinds of training available. If agencies want to use the WEMSIS run form, that is one kind of training. If agencies want to run reports in WEMSIS, that is another kind of training. Report Writer training is not available until May. If some agencies are using paper right now and would like to enter their data directly into WEMSIS, Melissa could train them on everything too. Cindy said that no agencies have come forward to her with requests for WEMSIS training at this time.
Action: No further action at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

- College Medical Director position for the SCC Allied Health Division's EMT Program – Ben Sabori:
Ben presented information on this position and what they are looking for in a Medical Director.
Action: Cindy will forward the position information document to the ER Medical Directors in Spokane as well as to all Agency Physician Providers in the Spokane County area.
- EMS Course Completion Verifications – INHS/Samantha Roberts, Shaun Pitts
 - Completion date 12/20/14 EMT SGA Class (I-1432016)
 - Completion date 12/06/14 EMT SGA Class (I-1432017)
 - Completion date 12/17/14 Advanced EMT (I-1432018)**Action:** Reviewed. MPD will sign.
- EMS Course Completion Verification – SCC/Donna Phinney, Ben Sabori:
 - Completion date 12/11/14 EMT SGA (I-1432019)
 - **Action:** Reviewed. MPD will sign.

REPORTS:

- Inland Empire Fire Chiefs: Kelly Jennings
Fire is still planning on moving to the new radios Feb. 1.
- East Region:
Adam said the annual meeting is tomorrow followed by a “welcome” luncheon. Current, new, and potential members are invited to attend.

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- Community Paramedicine: Mike Lopez
Snohomish County Fire District #1 is working with their local legislator to craft a proposed bill enabling EMS personnel to perform activities associated with Community Based Paramedicine (CBPM). There has been a great deal of discussion among the State CBPM work group about using the term Community Paramedic vs. Mobile Integrated Health Care. The group agrees that for the first bill, we will use Community Based Paramedic/Mobile Integrated Health Care. The bill has not yet dropped as there are numerous stakeholder groups that wish to review the draft language before it is presented to the legislature. There are also several other interest groups proposing similar language (Washington State Hospital Association, for one) so it may be a confusing issue for the legislature.
Action: Updates will be provided as they arise.
- INHS Curriculum and Paramedic Advisory: Samantha Roberts, Professional Education Manager INHS
 - Paramedic program students are doing their clinical right now.
 - There weren't enough applicants to offer a paramedic program starting in January so will try for this spring.
 - Advisory Committee meets next Wednesday, Jan. 21.**Action:** Samantha will send Cindy info on the spring paramedic class to post on the EMS website.
- FAFB: Don Ballard - no report.
- QI: Dr. Nania
 - External Hemorrhage Control: The QI Committee last month approved this new protocol. Dr. Nania reviewed the protocol.
Action: M/S/P to approve the protocol. It will now be sent to DOH for approval.
 - Revised IV Fluids Reference: The QI Committee last month approved the revisions to this reference.
Action: M/S/P to approval the revised reference. It will now be sent to DOH for approval.
 - WACARES data: The agencies were reminded to finish submitting 2014 data.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- EMS Live@Nite: Topic is Fluid Resuscitation presented by Gary Hoertz. Program will be held at the MedStar hangar. Samantha Roberts said she spoke with Telehealth about providing live access to the presentations at agency stations. They said this would require individual contracts with the

agencies and price would depend on what type of access the stations wanted. If agencies are interested in this access, they should contact INHS Telehealth. **Action:** Samantha Roberts from INHS will look into this. INHS will update on this in January.

- Deaconess ER: Adam said the Phase II part of the ER remodel will open this Friday, Jan. 16. The last phase involves remodeling of the waiting room.
- Dave Byrnes, MRC: Basic Disaster Life Support (BDLS) is being offered on Feb. 24. Advanced Disaster Life Support Courses (ADLS) is being offered in May. (BDLS is a prerequisite for the ADLS class.) The classes are free. Info is posted on the EMS website (emsoffice.com).
- Upcoming stroke conference in Nashville: Dr. Geraghty said she will be attending this conference and there will be some information provided that would be of interest to the EMS community. She said she would be happy to give the Council an update from the conference when she returns. She will send Cindy the link for the conference website and sessions being offered.
- Cardiac Arrest Survivor Celebration (Mar. 5) and Spokane Resuscitation Academy (Mar. 6): Cathy reminded the Council of the upcoming dates. She also noted that they surpassed their goal of teaching CPR to 10,000 people in Spokane County in 2014.

The meeting was adjourned at 0940.