

**SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA CARE COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 9, 2016**

Council Chair, Cathy St. Amand, called the meeting to order at 0900 and introductions were made.

Members/Alternates/Ex-Officio Present:

Tom Chavez, Sharon Colby, Dr. Joel Edminster, Greg Godfrey, Toni Halloran, Mike Lopez, Dr. Mike Metcalf, Dr. Jim Nania, Patrick Ramsey, Jeff Reid, Adam Richards, Patti Richards, Jim Schaffer, Wade Scoles, Cathy St. Amand, Randy Olson, Paul Priest, Sami Nihad,

Guests Present:

Samantha Roberts (INHS), Dr. Madeleine Geraghty (DMC), Molly Knox (UW-MS3), Joe Schindler (SVFD), Vince Speziale (SCFD4), Tammie Drapeau (AMR), Janette Worley (DMC)

EMS Office Staff Present:

Cindy Pavlischak, EMS Office Administrator

MINUTES:

It was M/S/P to approve the January 2016 minutes.

CHAIR'S REMARKS: Cathy St. Amand

- EMS Awards:
The EMS Council is now accepting nominations for service during 2015. Please submit your nominations by Mar. 31. Presentation of awards will be at the May 10 EMS Council meeting.
- June meeting:
All Fire Training Center classrooms, conference rooms, and grounds have been leased for an Army training exercise the week of June 13, which will affect the EMS Council and QI meetings. Brian Foster-Dow offered to host the meetings at the SVFD conference room. He will schedule the room and send Cindy a link to the location directions.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jim Schaffer

- Share Fees update:
Reviewed report and reminded those with fees still owing to send in their check as soon as possible.
- Share fee for Deaconess North:
After checking with the state, it was found that Deaconess North Emergency Center is not a separate facility or separate license from Deaconess Hospital (unlike Providence Children's Hospital, which is a separate facility/separate license from PSHMC).
Action: It was M/S/P to not invoice Deaconess North for Share Fees but encourage engagement of this new facility with the EMS Council.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Hospital Diversion Sub-Committee update: Adam Richards/Mike Lopez
No report. There has been no meeting since Jan. 6, and the group meets again Feb. 17 at 0930 at the Fire Training Center.

NEW BUSINESS:

- EMS Training Course Applications – INHS
 - EMT-SGA (Shaun Pitts) Start date: 3/2/16
Action: Reviewed and M/S/P to approve.
- EMS Course Completion Verification - INHS
 - Completion date: 1/5/16 EMT-SGA (I1632004)
Action: Reviewed.
- E-mail from Kelly Jennings re: recent CPR/AED use by Spokane County Sheriffs Officer
Cathy read the email from Kelly outlining the intervention by the SO.
Action: Cindy will get name of officer from Kelly and Dr. Nania and Cathy will draft a letter commending the officer's actions and suggesting the officer be commended in the SO newsletter as well.
- Request from AMR regarding temporary recognition of out-of-state EMS personnel in accordance with DOH policy:
Paul Priest reviewed their letter and request. Cathy said the request was also discussed at EMS Council Executive Committee prior to this Council meeting and Dr. Metcalf agreed to lead the discussion regarding AMR's request. Dr. Metcalf said the Council received similar requests from AMR in 2008 and 2010 and he reviewed the previous responses and recommendations from the MPD and Council to those requests. The Council agreed that paramedics and EMT's entering Spokane County would need to review COPS and Protocols, as well as OSI and pit crew CPR videos. The previous commitment was that Dr. Cover would thoroughly assess each of these individuals.
Action: Dr. Nania/Dr. Metcalf will update how the strike variance will be addressed and will send the revision to AMR.
- Change to CPI used to calculate Office Administrator Raise:
Action: It was M/S/P to approve using December-December CPI instead of June-June CPI to calculate the raise each year and be in line with the CPA's office since he runs his payroll and EMS payroll at the same time. This will result in an increase of about \$20/month in the Office Administrator pay.

REPORTS:

- Inland Empire Fire Chiefs: Kelly Jennings
Kelly was not present so no report.
- East Region: Adam Richards
Committee meets tomorrow; no report at this time.
 - Community Paramedicine Ad Hoc Committee: Mike Lopez
Nothing new to report at this time. Mike provided a brief legislative update.
- Curriculum & Paramedic Advisory Committee/INHS Health Training: Samantha Roberts
INHS is still accepting applications until March 1 for the upcoming paramedic class, which starts Mar. 15. Paramedic Advisory Committee meets next week.

- Fairchild: Jason Satcher
No report.
- QI: Dr. Nania
 - Today at QI: Review of Airway KPI's for 2015; two case reviews; ketamine discussion

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- EMS Live@Nite Topic for Feb. 9, 2016:
Stroke: Time = Tissue
6:45 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.
- Paramedic graduation Wed night, Feb. 10, at Fire Training Center.

ADJOURN:

Meeting adjourned at 0940.