

**SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA CARE COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
March 14, 2017 – 0900-1000**

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

Members/Alternates/Ex-Officio Present:

Tom Chavez, Sharon Colby, Dr. Joel Edminster, Greg Godfrey, Mike Lopez, Mike Metcalf, Ray Moeckel, Dr. Jim Nania, Randy Olson, Paul Priest, Patrick Ramsey, Jeff Reid, Robbie Thorn, Leah Salmon-Conroy, David Sewell, Cathy St. Amand, Ben Suttlemyre, Veronica Mitchell-Jones

Guests Present:

Tammie Drapeau (AMR), Michelle Ensminger (INHS Training), Dr. Madeleine Geraghty (Deaconess), Sherryl Hart (SFD), Tim Loncon (SFD), Karyn Manor (Deaconess), Ben Sabori (SCC),

EMS Office Staff Present:

Cindy Pavlischak, EMS Office Administrator

MINUTES:

Action: It was M/S/P to approve the February 2016 minutes.

CHAIR'S REMARKS: Cathy St. Amand, Chair

- EMS Awards Nominations for 2016:
Submissions have been received from 5 agencies (10 nominations) so far. Cindy has sent out several emails seeking nominations and the form is also posted on the EMS website at www.emsoffice.com. Nominations will be accepted through March 31. Please make your personnel aware of the upcoming awards and encourage nominations.
- April meeting location change:
The Fire Training Center auditorium will not be available in April due to a large training exercise at the facility. Our meeting next month will be in Classroom D at the Training Center. This room change will also be noted on the April agenda that is sent out.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- 2017 EMS Office Share Fee Invoices:
There is one agency and one hospital with fees still outstanding. The hospital ER Director has been in touch with Cindy and is trying to get it taken care of.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Discussion regarding patient distribution from MCI: Mike Lopez
Mike Lopez said that a committee has been meeting for some time now to develop a patient tracking system to be used during MCI events. The committee thought that the initial phase of patient distribution could be handled by the CCC until the DMCC could

respond and get up and running. All Spokane hospitals and KMC were asked what number of Red and Yellow patients they could commit to taking, regardless what the hospital patient load was at the time of the MCI. Mike reviewed the DMCC-MCI Workflow sheet draft that included this information and noted that this is still a work in progress and has been tested as well in table top drills. There will be a MCI multi-agency drill in Mar-Apr headed by SCFD9.

Discussion: It was noted that this tool could also be in the hand of a supervisor at the scene in case there was a communication glitch between the scene and the CCC. The group hasn't really looked at utilizing the more urban centers (i.e. Pullman, Davenport) for less critical patients.

Action: Mike will continue to update the Council as this project moves forward.

➤ Renewal of EMS Training Program Application for SCC:

Action: M/S/P to approve.

➤ EMS Training Course Applications – SCC:

- EMT-SGA Start Date: 4/4/17

Action: M/S/P to approve.

➤ EMS Evaluator Applications for Initial Certification:

John Koberstine (SCFD10), Derek Edwards (SCFD10), Martin Shier (SCFD10), Gordon Hester (SCFD10), Evan Zeuschel (SCFD10), Justin Dominguez (SCFD10), Whitman Spencer (SCFD9), Jacob Ambach (SCFD13), Nathaniel Cover (SFD)

Action: Reviewed.

➤ Protocol Committee – Tom Chavez

- Procedure for EMS Communication to Hospitals for Activations/Alerts/Pre-Notification – requesting approval.

Tom reviewed the procedure. There will be a learning curve for both EMS and hospital ER staff.

Action: M/S/P to approve and add to County Operating Procedures.

- Stroke Severity Score:

Tom reviewed the information.

Action: M/S/P to approve and add to the Protocols.

REPORTS:

➤ Inland Empire Fire Chiefs: Greg Godfrey, SCFD8

No report.

➤ 911 Board: Bruce Holloway, SCFD3

Not present today; no report.

➤ East Region: Adam Richards

Mike Lopez reported that Adam is at the Steering Committee meeting today presenting proposals to change min-max numbers for Lincoln County.

➤ Curriculum & Paramedic Advisory Committee/INHS Health Training: Michelle Ensminger

Michelle reported that the group last met February 22 and had the largest turnout ever. She said there was nothing new otherwise to report.

➤ Fairchild: Jason Satcher

Not present today; no report.

- QI: Dr. Nania
 - Airway KPI Summary:
Dr. Nania said that not all agencies provided reports to be included in this summary. He reviewed his summary report and noted that the data can be difficult to collect and often requires a lot of individual review of run reports to find the necessary information.
Action: QI Committee will review how the data is collected and what is collected. QI Committee today will look at how deaths in the field are handled with Dr. Howard attending from the Medical Examiner's Office. April QI Committee will look at WACARES data from the state.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- EMS Live@Nite:
Mar. 14, 2017, 6:45 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. Topic/Speaker: Allergies & Anaphylaxis; Dr. Stacy Prescott.
- Michelle Ensminger said that the 2017 Paramedic Class begins Oct. 23 and application deadline is June.

ADJOURNED at 10:00 a.m.