

SPOKANE COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA CARE COUNCIL

**September 8, 2020, 9 a.m.
Teams Virtual Meeting Only**

Council Chair, Adam Richards, called the meeting to order and confirmed the list of those present at the meeting.

Members/Alternates/Ex-Officio Members Present:

Deb Bried, Jack Busch, Carolyn Cartwright, Tom Chavez, Dr. Greg Cover, Dr. Travis Dierks, Dr. Mike Metcalf, Veronica Mitchell-Jones, Dr. Jim Nania, Gino Palomino, Todd Putren, Paul Priest, David Sewell, Matt VonSteuben (alternate for SCFD9 – usual reps away on wildfires)

Guests Present:

James Akramoff (INHS Training), Mike Conrad (Dispatch Health), Dr. Colin Croshaw (Deaconess), Tammie Drapeau (AMR), Michelle Ensminger (INHS Training), Dr. Madeleine Geraghty (Deaconess), Deanna Jones (PSHMC), Denise McCurdy (PSHMC), Nicole Michaud-West (Deaconess), Andrea Young (AMR)

EMS Office Staff Present:

Cindy Pavlischak, EMS Council Office Administrator/County Coordinator.

MINUTES: Approval of July 2020 minutes

Action: It was M/S/P to approve the July 2020 minutes.

CHAIR'S REMARKS: Adam Richards

➤ EMS Awards update:

Adam said there are only nine nominations so far and not all categories have a nominee but he felt the Council should move forward on selecting awards winners. He suggested that the Council Executive Committee and Dr. Nania have a TEAM meeting to discuss and likely select awards recipients.

Action: Cindy will work with Adam on scheduling a virtual meeting.

➤ Treasurer Position update:

Johnnie Sylvester has resigned the Treasurer position. His term would have ended Dec. 31 and the Council Executive Committee has decided to cover the job duties until a new Treasurer position election at the December 8 meeting of the Council. Any current Council members who might be interested in the position for a term running from Jan. 2021 through Dec. 2022 should notify Cindy in the Council office (625-7122 or capavlischak@spokanecity.org).

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mike Lopez

➤ Financial reports for July-Aug. 2020:

Adam reviewed the reports. (These were sent to the Council with the agenda prior to the meeting.)

➤ 2021 Council Budget – 2nd review

Adam showed the proposed budget for review.

Jack Busch asked if there had been any move yet to hire a QI person in the Council office and if this potential cost is included in this budget draft. Adam replied that nothing has been done so far and this position is not included in the proposed budget.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- COVID-19 Discussion/Update (Adam Richards & Mike Lopez)
Nothing new to report.
- Request for East Region Council Reappointments:
 - Cindy Thompson, Spokane Regional Health District
 - Deanna Jones, Cardiac & Stroke Committee**Action:** It was M/S/P to approve these reappointments.
- Training Course Applications approved since the July meeting:
 - Initial AEMT - INHS Date: 09/26/2020 – 12/19/2020
 - Initial EMT-SGA - INHS Date: 10/01/2020 – 02/19/2021
 - Refresher Paramedic - INHS Date: 10/08/2020 – 10/20/2020
 - Initial EMT-SGA – SCFD4 Date: 10/05/2020 – 01/09/2021

PROTOCOL COMMITTEE: Tom Chavez

- Protocol Committee update:
The committee did not meet in August. The next meeting is Thursday, Sept. 17 at 0930.
Tom presented three protocols (two revised and one new) for the Council's approval.
 - Epinephrine (revised)
 - Endotracheal intubation (revised)
 - On-scene patient mask use (new)**Action:** It was M/S/P to approve these protocols.

REPORTS:

- EMS WAC Revision: Mike Lopez
No report. Mike is with an Incident Management Team at a wildland fire in Oregon.
- Inland Empire Fire Chiefs: Lonnie Rash
Lonnie is unable to attend today's meeting but sent an email saying he had nothing new to report.
- SREC Board: Cody Rohrbach
Not present to give report.
- East Region EMS & TCC: Mike Lopez
Not present to give report.
- REDi Healthcare Coalition: Carolyn Cartwright
 - Labor Day weekend - DMCC activation due to 30-car accident near Tri-Cities.
 - Numerous wildfires yesterday. Consideration given to evacuating Lake Chelan Hospital but did not have to do so. Continue to monitor all fire situations.
 - Monitoring COVID-19 cases in the area.
 - Updated sit rep coming out this evening.
- SRHD: Mark Springer
Not present to give report.
- Curriculum & PM Advisory Committee/INHS Training: Michelle Ensminger
The 2020 cohort is enjoying their time in the hospitals doing clinical rotations. After some difficulties, all 17 students have internship locations arranged. INHS is accepting candidates for the 2021 cohort. There will be a Paramedic Advisory Committee meeting in late October or early November and she will send out meeting notices once the date is set.
- FAFB: Jason Satcher
Not present to give report.
- QI Committee: Dr. Nania
 - At today's QI meeting the committee will discuss cases that fell out from Trauma KPI review in July. Upcoming KPI review will be Stroke data on Oct. 13 and ACS data on Nov. 10.

- Jim virtually attended some DOH meetings. One of these discussed changing the ESSO description and extending it to diversion centers (i.e. alcohol rehab etc.).

ANNOUNCEMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS:

- EMSCoconnect Classes: Dr. Dierks
Sept. 14, 6 p.m. - Hypertensive emergencies and CHF
Presented by: Dr. Ryan Stanton, Emergency Physician/EMS Physician
- EMS Live @ Nite:
 - Sept. 8: Patient Assessment by Shaun Pitts and Sept. 24: TBD
- September 11 EMS Recognition: Deaconess will provide To-go lunches for EMS providers from 11:30 – 1:30 on Friday, September 11.

MEETING ADJOURNED.