



NORTHWEST REGIONAL EMS COUNCIL - REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

September 13, 2018 *appvd.*

REPRESENTATIVES IN ATTENDANCE:

CLALLAM

¹ Keith Bogues, *Secretary/Treasurer* excused
¹¹ Sam Phillips absent
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⁸⁵ Derrell Sharp
²⁶ Branton Byers excused
¹¹ Joseph Rodrigues
² Trisha Duerr excused

MASON

¹³ Tim McKern, *Vice Chair*
⁵ Kym Yates absent
⁶ Clink Volk
^{5A} Carly Bean absent
⁸⁷ Brandon Searles excused
²⁸ Sabrina Nelson absent
¹³ Greg Yates
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²⁸ Kristyn Criss absent
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WEST OLYMPIC PENINSULA

¹⁰ Louise Smith, *At Large*
¹⁵ Timothy Wade excused

LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

⁶⁵ Brian Smith absent

OLYMPIC NATIONAL PARK

⁶⁰ Jay Shields absent

CONSUMER REPRESENTATIVE

⁷⁰ Terry Anderson excused

STATE EMS ADMINISTRATOR

Hailey Green -

NWREMS STAFF

René Perret

JEFFERSON

³ Brad Martin, *Chair*
⁴ Tim Manly excused
²⁷ Sarah Schadler absent
⁸⁶ Karl Hatton
¹² Tracy Underdahl absent

KITSAP

⁷ Kim Droppert, *At Large*
²⁹ Mary Flick
²⁹ Kim Petersen excused
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⁸ Matt Million

MEDICAL PROGRAM DIRECTORS

⁴⁷ Dr. Sandra Smith-Poling
⁴⁸ Dr. Joe Hoffman
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⁴⁶ Dr. Steve Churchly absent

LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIAL

NAVY REGION NW

COAST GUARD

PUBLIC HEALTH/PREPAREDNESS

Jessica Guidry -
Elya Baltazar

VISITORS

Lori Coleman – Minute taker
Mary Whittington Jeff Snyder
Sky Sexton Bob Burbridge
Jason Norris Mike Sexton
Tony Bledsoe Michael Murray
Tamarah Hoffman
Catie Holstein – via phone

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Approved, September 13, 2018

Chair Brad Martin called the Northwest Regional EMS Council meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. at The Lodge at Sherwood Village, Sequim, WA.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair, Brad Martin, called for changes to the agenda; receiving none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Tim McKern moved and Joe Rodriguez seconded to approve the May 10, 2018, Regular Meeting minutes with amendments to attendance. Chair Brad Martin abstained as he was not present at the May meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

REGULAR BUSINESS

Chair Report – Chair Brand Martin welcomed everyone back after the summer break.

Treasurer's Report – René Perret reported on: Profit and Loss Statements for May, June, July and August 2018, FY 19 YTD; Bank Balance as of 8/31/18 was \$65,246.62. René reported that roll over budget funds stay in the same line item for the next year. Kim Droppert motioned and Clint Volk seconded to approve the Profit and Loss statement as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

MPD Report – Dr. Hoffman reported that; the regional MPD meeting was held on June 4th in Kent. Supraglottic Airway endorsement is now standard in EMT Certification, classes will be offered to EMT's without the certification to bring them up to the standard; there is consideration being made to also include Narcan, Glucose and Epi as standard EMT endorsements; "Travis" Law is now in effect, he is considering an OTEP program for training on it and that he is now the MPD for Kitsap county noting that he will have separate e-mails for each county.

DOH Report – Hailey Green reported. See attached report.

Airlift Northwest – Brad Martin reported that they are hosting a EMS &Trauma Conference on September 17th and 18th in Seattle.

Region 2 PHEPR Update/Northwest Healthcare Response Network – Elya Baltazar reported that: they recently made the split between Eastern and Western Washington and she is the Northwest District Coordinator. Her role is to learn and understand the Fire/EMS system as they relate to the tracking of patient care in the healthcare system as a whole. The Northwest Healthcare Response Network has been tasked with tracking patient movement. This is a multi-county wide concept that is currently being developed. Those counties include: Clallam, Jefferson, Mason and Kitsap. She noted that Kitsap County has started discussions to work on a plan for disasters.

Naval Region Northwest – Sandra Smith-Poling noted that the Navy plans to be fully federal and wonders if they will still attend NWREMS meetings? Brad Martin will follow up and report back.

Olympic National Park – No Report

Law Enforcement – Reported that: the Clallam Bay drill went really well and similar drills are planned for every other year; he notes that a decrease in Heroin overdoses and an increase in Meth

and Amphetamines has been notices and wonders if others agree? Many agreed that drug usage ebb's and flows with the costs being more of a factor in what is trending, the lower the cost of the drug, the higher the usage rate.

Correspondence –

- A. DOH - René asked that everyone review the council list, she will e-mail members who need to renew their applications, but notes that if your name is in red you are expiring. Application need to be filled out, signed by you and your local chair then turned into René, not the DOH. If you are filling out a new application, you must be specific to what role you are applying to fill. She reminded everyone that if they are on the list as a representative that they will not be removed until they expire or resign, resignations need to be in writing and sent to René.
- B. Mason County Medic 1(MCMI)/Central Mason Discussion – Central Mason Fire & EMS recently signed a letter of intent to purchase MCM1. Catie Holstein, Washington State Department of Health (DOH) EMS Program Manager, spoke via phone to address a few concerns that the DOH has. Concerns included each affected department's levels of licensure, transports services provided being consistent with current licensure, changes to min/max levels to accommodate future licensing needs and addressing inter-facility transfer capabilities while assuring level of service continuity. The DOH wanted to vocalize their questions and concerns to the council to assure that the council would take them into consideration when making recommendations. It was unanimous that the body of the NWREMS council wants to do more research before a recommendation is made. Olympic Ambulance has submitted a request to the DOH for an amendment to their Mason County Transport License hoping for direction from the state on this matter. Catie stated that with clarity on her questions that the DOH will post the licensure opening for a minimum of 30 days, and they will wait to hear from the Local Mason County EMS council and the NWREMS council before they made any changes to any of the current licenses. Mason County thanked the DOH for their role in today's discussion. Rene' provided a packet of information regarding this topic.

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Unfinished Business –

- A. Protocol Updates – Dr. Hoffman reported that work continues for updating their protocols and his wish was to set dates today for continued meetings. Dates set were September 19th and 27th at Central Kitsap's Admin Building; both meetings will be held from 10am to noon. Clallam will set a meeting asap to work on protocols in hopes of attending the meeting on the 27th with suggestions.
- B. Audit– The audit report has not yet been issued.

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New Business/Strategic Plan –

- A. The Council needs to form a workgroup to begin work on revising and updating the Trauma Plan for 2019-2021. René reminded everyone that the plan needs to be revised and finalized by May of 2019. It was agreed upon that it would work well to do it the same way as last year by having each local council review a section and present their change recommendations to the group.
- B. René is waiting for Audit report to come back for feedback that may pertain to changes in updating our policies and procedures

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Committee Reports –

- A. Executive Funding – Met today, nothing to report.
- B. QI Committee – Met today and had a pediatric presentation. One new change is that they will post region meeting minutes on their website now.
- C. IPPE Committee – René will send out grant applications before they meet next. The budget is \$2491.00. Joe Rodrigues reported that Clallam County has a new Fall COP and is running a fall prevention program; all local agencies are on board, the program started at the beginning of

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September. They will be working with Physicians and mid-level medical staff to participate. René will e-mail the COP to everyone.

D. **Protocol Committee** – reported under MPD report

E. **TED Committee** – No Report.

F. **Nomination Committee** – No Report.

G. **State TAC/Steering Committee** – MPD position is vacant, Dr. Hoffman has been asked to apply for the position.

H. Local Council Reports/System Panning and Development Issues EMS & Hospital –

a. **Clallam** – Joe Rodrigues reported that: Clallam County is running a fall prevention program; each local department is sending a member to the Resuscitation Academy, this is a Train the Trainer course; Stemi Protocols are going well; the EMT class has 20 students, more students than available spots and classes being offered are: difficult airway, ACLS, PALS and fall prevention.

b. **Jefferson** – Sandra Smith-Poling reported that: an EMT class is being held, Chief Martin says the number of students is low, he is welcoming other counties to send their extra student to them; Mary Feeney is resigning from the local council and the new walk in clinic running well.

c. **Kitsap** – Kim Droppert reported: Dr. Hoffman is the new MPD. They are looking into a new a paramedic satellite program. EMT class is going on. PALS and ACLS classes coming up. NW Opioid Summit will be held at Squamish Resort. Stroke visit at the hospital went well. The hospital is working on a fall prevention program. Trauma Conference in Tacoma November 9th, 2018.

d. **Mason** – Clint Volk reported that: An EMT class is being held, they have 22 students, BLS evaluator and refresher classes are being held in November and in April of 2019, Stroke conference is being held, and they are developing a Supraglottic Airway class and practical to get all EMT's certify to that level that may not have received that in their initial training.

e. **West Olympic** – Sent a crew to the Clallam Bay active shooter event. Joe Rodrigues gave accolades to a Neah Bay unit that they rendezvoused with; they identified the need to transport the patient to Harrison taking steps necessary to do so in a timely and effective manner.

f. **Communications** – Karl Hatton reported that; they are working on Levy projects; a dispatch class is planned; they are looking into pulse point, pulse point is software that allows citizens to be alerted when a CPR is in progress near to them and where the nearest AED is from an app on their phone and they are looking into ES Chat, this software allows you to use your smartphone as a radio that allows the user to see live maps and radio communication locations; they are looking into a hosted set up for this technology.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Jefferson is hosting an “Excited Delirium” class in Chimacum on September 24th, 2018, René will send out information on this class.
- Next meeting is November 8th, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

Matt Million motioned and Mary Fleck seconded to adjourn the meeting at 2:05 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA¶

Vice Chair, Tim McKern, called for changes to the agenda; receiving none. ¶

APPROVAL OF MINUTES¶

Brandon Searles moved and Tim Manly seconded to approve the March 8, 2018, Regular Meeting minutes. MOTION CARRIED.¶

REGULAR BUSINESS¶

Chair Report – Vice Chair Tim McKern, in Chair Brad Martin's absence, presented Steve Engle, previously the NWREMS Council's Chair, with a painting made by Dr. Sandra Smith-Poling to honor his time and commitment to the NWREMS Council's. Steve Engle thanked everyone, attributing his success to his co-council members. ¶

Treasurer's Report – Keith Bogues Reported on: Profit and Loss Statement for March and April 2018, FY 18 YTD; Bank Balance as of 4/30/2018 was \$59,976.48, an audit will occur post meeting today. Kim Droppert motioned and Brandon Searles seconded to approve the Profit and Loss statement as presented. MOTION CARRIED.¶

MPD Report – Dr. Hoffman reported that; the regional MPD meeting is coming up on June 4th in Kent, he discussed about encouraging Supraglottic Airway endorsement as a standard in EMT Certification.¶

DOH Report – ¶ Implementation of 2017 Legislation¶

SSB 5751 – Authorizes the Department of Health to approve the use of non medically trained ambulance drivers for volunteer municipal corporations in rural areas. The DOH is developing a procedure for approval and finalizing changes to EMS Service Licensure and Verification applications to support the approval process. Once all forms have been finalized, DOH anticipates communicating process to stakeholders through holding a webinar, updating our website with an FAQ and forms, announcing changes through Gov Delivery Listserve announcements, and presenting in meetings as stakeholders request. The next webinar to learn about implementation is May 2nd 1-2PM. Until the approval process and forms are finalized, qualifying departments may contact Jason Norris to facilitate approval through an existing variance process. ¶
SHB 1358- Requires the HCA to develop a reimbursement mechanism for CARES (community assistance referral and education) programs established under the 5591 CARES legislation from 2015. The department continues to meet monthly with the HCA to provide technical guidance about EMS regulations, and our processes for licensure and certification of professionals. We have begun drafting a report for the legislature. We will engage stakeholders when a final concept has been determined.¶
E2SHB 1258- Travis Alert bill requires the department to establish a workgroup to design a training program for EMS providers to improve management of persons with disabilities on the scene of an emergency. The Travis Alert workgroup is meeting monthly. End products of this work will include a suggested curricula and equivalent trainings, checklists, and suggested patient care protocols for EMS professionals to use on the scene of an emergency. ¶

Rulemaking¶

The DOH is currently engaged in stakeholder meetings to amend some sections of WAC 246-976. Meetings are occurring monthly. Webinar access is available. To learn more about meetings and how to participate, please visit our website at ...