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GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING
January 11, 2016

PRESENT: Gary Baar, President, Lynden
Duncan McLane, 1st V.P., Conference Chair, WCFD #11
Gene Bell, Treasurer, Consumer
Jerry DeBruin, Education Chair, WCFD #14
Mel Blankers, WCFD #1
Ben Boyko, WCFD #7
Justin Thompson, WCFD #8
Bill Hewett, WCFD #8
Dan Ohms, WCFD #11
Denise Christensen, WCFD #14
Janice Lapsansky, WCFD #17
Randy VanderHeiden, BFD
Therese Williams, BTC
Danny Griffith, Border Patrol
John Granger, Airlift NW
Jessie King, Summit to Sound
Dr. Marvin Wayne, MPD
Keri Snodgrass, Operations Manager
Kate Scott, PeaceHealth, Guest
Kurt Bruland, BFD, Guest
Brad Bonnea, FEMA, Guest

ABSENT: Matt Cook, 2nd V.P, WCFD #16
Erica Work, Secretary, Mt Baker Ski Patrol
Marv Simonsen, WCFD #1
Christina Tersakian, WCFD #5
Christopher Carleton, WCFD #5
Jerry Peterson, WCFD #16
Dawn Cannizzaro, WCFD #17
Scott Crowe, WCFD #18
Bill Pernet, NWFRS
Josh Morell, SWFA
Rod Topel, SWFA,
Rick Kowsky, Cascade Ambulance
Jim White, Border Patrol

CALL TO ORDER: President Gary Baar called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Whatcom County EMS/TC Council, held at Station 31 to order at 7:02 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October, 2015 minutes stand as written

REPORTS:

Executive: The executive board met immediately prior to this meeting. The planning Committee will be tabled until the next meeting when more information is gathered.

Finance: G. Bell reported that cash flows are down for the year about \$8900. The council needs to start looking at funding options. Need to increase vendors at the conference as well as hospital and foundation grants.

Education: J. DeBruin reported that training is inconsistent throughout the county. King County online will hold a BLS evaluator class in February at the earliest. We would like as many evaluators and instructors to attend as possible. Pulse Point is getting close to be active. J.Lapsansky will be facilitating CPR classes. MCI and active shooter training still being worked as well as MCI kits.

Conference: April 14-16. Final brochure will be out next week. The conference goals are to generate income and to provide regional education. Duncan will be stepping down as chair after this conference. The state is providing the ABLS preconference workshop as well as a donation by Airlift Northwest. Katie Holstein can mass distribute the flyer out to the state database

CQI: S. Farlow has been appointed by G. Baar as the co-chair of for the remainder of the term. D. Cannizzaro is the secretary

MPD: M. Wayne reported the King County MPD is retiring, replaced by Tom Ray. He would like the county to use ITD. One per gurney (61) would be needed at at cost of \$500-\$600 each. He is negotiating price and looking into possible grants. CPR can be done at a 30% incline from shoulders up. D. Griffith reported that the border patrol is offering swift water rescue training for any agencies who wants it.

Injury Prevention: No meeting has been held since the departure of J. Martin. A full report will be given at the next meeting.

TAB: They meet at the end of the month. They have been working on the next phase of funding.

NEW BUSINESS:

Nominating Committee: E. Work will be the chair per the bylaws. President and 2nd VP are up for elections. G.Baar will not be running again. J.DeBruin and M.Blankers will be on the committee.

Transport of infectious disease patients- A meeting with Joni Hensley will be had at the Health Department on the 22nd of January. If interested, contact G.Baar.

Good of the order: Next meeting is on April 11th, 2016. With no further business the meeting is adjourned.