

Whatcom County EMS/TC Council
EDUCATION COMMITTEE MINUTES
Thursday July 20th, 2017
1:30 pm

Present: Jerry Debruin, Chair, WCFD #14; Ben Boyko, WCFD #7; Jennifer Keim, PeaceHealth; Becky Stermer, PeaceHealth; Duncan McLane; president, WCFD #11; Scott Farlow; Marv Wayne; Andrea Doll, Council Office

CALL TO ORDER Chair J. Debruin called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Education committee to order at 1:32 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES The minutes of the June 2017 meeting were approved with as submitted.

REPORTS

North Region:

Suggestions for North Region Grant application:

Manikins and training equipment to get SGA's up to date.

Ben will order I gels and try on manikins to see which manikins they work on

Possible to ask for: Training SGA's and 8 manikins, with feedback.

Funding: Marv's foundation can provide up to \$1000.00 without board approval. Dist 7 will pay for Service plan and taxes, but will not pay for Lucas.

Training officers:

Use explanations or wording to justify using brand names in protocols.

ex. "As defined by EMS council"

CQI Committee: no report

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Image trend was recommended and the funding request was approved. The purchasing process is now being worked out.

Hospital

Shed – need a shed with a 6ft wall height.

Becky will work on getting a P.O. from the hospital to purchase shed.

Duncan will look at Lowe's to find a shed that will work.

After action memo for Green Hornet exercise is now completed.
Need to confirm/verify that hospital and EMT understands the need to use radios instead of phones.

Brian is working on procuring GETS cards and WEBS card for the hospital.

Need good communication for vascular surgeon to be standing by for patients requiring tourniquet use. Use stabilization as guide.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Regarding football helmet and pad removal:
No backboards. Use Megamover, towel, sheet, etc. to get them off the field and then remove helmets and pads.

Hyperthermia deaths in High school Football teams.-
Football teams need to have State certified trainers, AED, be aware of cooling info/equipment, and need quick access to all tools needed to remove face masks and helmets. Most will be BLS transport.

Dr. Wayne has a long acting cryopak prototype to try on post cardiac arrests that can wrap around back of neck.

They last 20-30 minutes and can be used directly on skin.

They would also be useful for injuries. The cost is around \$30 and they are disposable.

We are getting 12 to start with first line ALS.

Use Horse collar or vacuum mattress instead of cervical collar for trauma injuries.

The Council would like to transition to I gels by Dec.

Suggest using only one device in the field to avoid confusion.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business to discuss.

MEETING ADJORNMENT: With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:36 pm.