



MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 12-7-2011

Committee Members/Attendees: (P = present, E=excused absence, U=unexcused absence)

3 HOSPITAL REPRESENTATIVES:

Chelan Co.: Tom Dyet -E **Grant Co.:** Elli Nelson-P **Okanogan Co.:** Vacant

8 PREHOSPITAL REPRESENTATIVES:

Chelan Co.: Mike Battis-P **Douglas Co.:** Wayne Walker- U **Grant Co.:** Rick Paris-P
Johnny Rebel-P Stan Harrison- E

Okanogan Co.: Justin Porter (in process) -P
Tonya Vallance-P

3 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES (Involved in EMS/TC Services):

Government Agency: Leonard Johnson- U
Carol Boyce- P
Vacant-

1 MEDICAL PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPRESENTATIVES:

MPD - Chelan Co.: Vacant -

2 AIR MEDICAL REPRESENTATIVES

At-Large: Jeff Richey-P
At-Large: Suzy Beck-P

1 LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIAL (NOT involved with EMS):

At-Large: Chuck Johnson-P

1 TRIBAL OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE

At-Large: Vacant-

2 COMMUNICATIONS/DISPATCH REPRESENTATIVES:

At-Large: Mary Allen- U
At-Large: Vacant-

1 CONSUMER REPRESENTATIVE:

Consumer: Hal Ebel-P

1 LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES:

At-Large: Lauri Jones-P

1 LAW ENFORCEMENT REPRESENTATIVE:

At-Large: Kevin Dresker (in process) - P

1 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATIVE:

At-Large: Mike Dingle-P

Regional Staff: Linette Gahringer-P Rinita Cook-P
DOH consultant: Scott Hogan

Guests: Cindy Button, Aero Methow Rescue/ Okanogan-No. Douglas EMS Council Chair

AGENDA: Chairman called the meeting to order.

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATIONS	ACTION/FOLLOW-UP
Call to order	1907	
Regional Council Address by Chair	Chair Vallance spoke regarding additional DOH cuts, request for more participation to offset the reduction in hours for the support staff. Regional Council members are responsible for the plan. Thank you and reminders of why we are on the board. Time for Board Members to step up to take on more of a work load.	
Approval of Agenda & Consent Agenda	Councilmember C. Johnson moved to approve, second by Councilmember Ebel.	Motioned passed by unanimous vote.

<p>RAC/Steering Committee report:</p>	<p>Councilmember Nelson, outlined state proposed budget cuts. Intense discussion re: limits on ER for Medicare and Medicaid visits to the ER. Physicians had clashing views on how that should be done.</p> <p>Steering Committee approved two elective skills for prehospital. 12 lead EKG, and CPAP. Must be MPD approved. Trying to pick up the STEMI quicker in rural areas where there is no ALS. MPD from Southwest Region completed the Pilot and has all the educational materials and sample protocols to support that.</p> <p>Discussed QA/QI Programs and the need to have those in place.</p>	
<p>Regional Office Report</p>	<p>Director Gahringer referenced email from Sandra Dlugosz with update from DOH Special Legislation cuts included in Board packets.</p> <p>As part of RAC assignment, DOH requested Regional Councils determine priority work. Director Gahringer asked members present to advise her of the critical functions of the council. This needs to be done as a group.</p> <p>Items noted by Council members addressed:</p> <p>Public Education Provider Education Public Education, awareness of what we are here for Provider Training and Facilitation of courses, resource Planning and preparation of drills for EM Licensed up to date with Education Financial Sustainability Representation from Council at the State level Training for the SEI Evaluators for Quality Training to providers Attendance at Local Council meetings brings the state back to them Networking with Healthcare facilities, training equipment vendors Regional Council Board presenting to past members board meetings Having a face from the Council to the public Education for providers Emergency Management Voice to legislators Educating the public to what we do, attend meetings, etc. Overall Liaison, the hub of the wheel for DOH, EM, Providers We are the in between, we cross pollinate Public education Important for employers to know how important the members are to the council, don't just wait for retirement. Liaison is essential, the interface, is the biggest thing the Regional Council has done. Keeping the communication and contact is one of the biggest. Bridging the gaps We have to start standing up for ourselves, the ownership is on us.</p> <p>These things are very similar to what was being said at the RAC meeting. Established communication and network with healthcare partners. Chair Vallance presented the Legislative update on proposed EMS fees. Director Gahringer presented Regional Plan Change: Goal 19, added strategy 2 on public education and bystander CPR. This fits with the EC&S implementation and uses established healthcare partners to accomplish public CPR education. Councilmember Beck moved to approve the proposed plan change. Second Councilmember Ebel.</p>	<p>Motion to approve Goal 19, Strategy 2 plan change passes by unanimous approval.</p>

<p>Finance Committee</p>	<p>Council Treasurer C. Johnson presented budget reduction options. Option 1, 3rd item, reduction in EMS Online Reimbursement. Current budget, \$9000.00, would reduce that to \$4500.00</p> <p>Resolution 2011-01 for Credit Cards. All members received copy of resolution in Board packets. Councilmember C. Johnson moves to approve Resolution 2011-01, Councilmember Dingle second with correction to typographical & grammatical errors.</p> <p>Council Treasurer outlined what current items the Finance Committee oversees: Bars Code Implementation, State Audits and changes re: Quasi Gov., policy and procedures, financial oversight for compliance, budgets, accounts receivable, accounts payable, identify areas to provide and grow a financial stability, fundraising & grant opportunities.</p> <p>If you have any questions, please feel free to ask or contact Council Treasurer C. Johnson.</p>	<p>Motion to approve Resolution 2011-01 passed by unanimous approval.</p>
<p>Strategic Planning Committee</p>	<p>Councilmember Nelson addressed the Corporate Strategic Plan. Plan goals have not been accomplished, so completion dates were updated. Councilmember C. Johnson motion to approve the updated Corporate Strategic Plan, Councilmember Rebel second.</p> <p>Councilmember Nelson requested an event planning workgroup be established. Volunteers for workgroup include: Councilmember Porter, Councilmember Rebel, & Councilmember Battis.</p>	<p>Motion to accepted updated Corporate Strategic Plan passed by unanimous approval.</p>
<p>Customer Service Committee</p>	<p>Customer Service Chair Beck noted updated lists for Member notebooks and updated information distribution list were included in Board packets.</p> <p>Items for approval: Code of Conduct; no feedback received. Request for approval. Councilmember Ebel moved to approve Councilmember Code of Conduct, second Councilmember C. Johnson.</p> <p>With approval, please sign both documents and submit for files. Highlight board of members are actively engaged. If you are not on a workgroup or committee, please get involved.</p> <p>Howell at the Moon productions proposal included in Board member packets; options for a phased in comprehensive marketing campaign to include video & public awareness. First phase is to conduct research and development of a comprehensive plan. Customer Service Committee requests \$4500.00 to begin phase one of the marketing project.</p> <p>Councilmember C. Johnson moved to approve \$4500.00 for Howell at the Moon proposal, second by Councilmember Nelson. Discussion of proposal and clarification that funds will be used from savings as needed.</p>	<p>Motion to approve Councilmember Code of Conduct passed by unanimous approval.</p> <p>Motion to approve Howell at the Moon proposal passed by majority vote. Councilmember Dingle and Battis opposed.</p>
<p>Upcoming Meetings & Events; Good of the Order</p>	<p>Director Gahringer stated updated procedure manual has the revisions that were approved at last meeting. Please review Procedures 2 & 3 and suggest changes. If none, we will consider them reviewed.</p> <p>Emergency Care Summit was attended by 50 + people. Presentations and information will be on our website. Good feedback. Appreciation for involvement.</p> <p>Councilmember Dingle stated due to cuts, his Douglas County EM position may not be funded, if that happens he will no longer be able to participate on the council.</p> <p>Okanogan/No. Douglas Council Chair, Cindy Button announced at the Feb.3 Brewster vs. Liberty Bell basketball game a CPR Flash Mob will take place. This is a 2-3 minutes flash mob that will include audience members running onto the basketball court performing CPR. Can count towards strategy 2 of Goal 19. Also, Okanogan County Local Council started an Administrator group. First meeting in Jan at Lifeline Ambulance. Thank you to Customer Service Committee Chair Beck and Director Gahringer for attending the Aero Methow Rescue holiday gathering and presenting the Business of the Quarter award to Mazama Store owner.</p>	

Adjourn	2044	
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NEXT MEETING
April 4, 2012
CWH, Rooms F&G
7:00 PM

Tonya Vallance, President

Date

Suzy Beck, Secretary

Date