

Minutes for Whitman County EMS Trauma Council May 8, 2014.

Members present: Jamie Keller – Whitcom, Dr. Mikkelsen - Pullman Regional Hospital, Scott Kruse - Colfax EMS, Miranda Caessens – WCFD12, Rob Hampton – WCFD12, Dennis Cartwright – Garfield, Sam Schmick – Endicott EMS, Randy Schmick – Endicott EMS, Angela Teal – Albion EMS, Bill Baker – LaCrosse EMS, and Bob Montgomery - MedStar

Agencies missing representation: Lamont, Malden, Colton/Uniontown, WSP, WCSO, LifeFlight, Oakesdale, St John/FD 2, Whitman Community Hospital, Rosalia, Pullman, Palouse

Meeting called to order

Minutes – Approved March 2014

Treasurers reports: Dennis Cartwright – Balance \$9195.90, no account activity

Sheriff's Office – *NA

Emergency management – Bill Tensfeld – Pre-arranged absence - *Radio Update – ‘unsimulcast’ completed, firenet is back to how it was in November. 1st week of June we will test simulcast on Colfax Fire frequency. Please make sure and pass on any issues to Bill Tensfeld, Steve Krigbaum or Whitcom ASAP.

Whitcom – Jamie Keller - *Make sure you are using the correct unit number when responding to calls, especially when there are multiple calls going on in the same area and doing mutual aid. *EMD Protocols, consider also using the QA committee as the advisement committee reference priority dispatch EMD cards. WA State is the only state where the MPD cannot oversee and make changes, instead we need a committee led by him. Dr. M will be attending the State MPD meeting in June and will ask what others do about this. *There are longer tails on frequencies, make sure you are holding the mic a bit longer before and after talking to make sure Whitcom hears all traffic.

East region–*NA

MPD–Dr. Mikkelsen - *Jamie will be sending cardiac resources from the presentation at summit, these will be used as an educational resource but not added to the protocols. Bob M from MedStar will look into grants and funding programs as he recommends an EKG study. What the machine says vs what the doctors see. *PRH is using an encrypted texting service “tygertext”. Something like this could be also beneficial for EMS to communicate with the hospital. MedStar app has the ability to send info and pics; this can be sent from the agency to MedStar Comm Center and then to the doc at the receiving facility. *Dr. M recommends using CAT tourniquets. He will look at the state protocols and make a decision on use in Whitman County.

Committees- *Protocol – Jamie is working with the state to update their copies of our Whitman County protocols, committee will meet in a couple months. *QA Review – Next meeting 3pm May 15th. *Mega Code Kelly – The council agreed to add Angela Teal to the Mega Code Kelly committee. New contract made ad will be used starting May 2014, active members are those that have had representation at 3 meetings in a year. Looking at a future meeting with the SEI's to discuss operation and upkeep. High performance CPR taught at summit conference. Teaches to keep a continuous flow to decrease fatigue. Mega Code Kelly can show stats on CPR performance. Target 110-120 per minute. Has shown a greatly increased survival rate on witnessed arrests.

New Business – *Rob from WCFD12 is requesting a first responder class for the eligible explorers and a few more interested personnel. Jamie will contact SEI's for scheduling and availability. Follow up at June meeting.

Old Business–*NA

Upcoming Training – *BLS Evaluator Update June 21st 8am to 4pm. The class is on a 1st come 1st serve basis, sponsored by the East Region. No charge, make sure you register!

Meeting adjourned 2016

Next EMS Council Meeting – June 26, 2014 – 1900 hours
Colfax City Council Chambers