

Skagit County EMS & Trauma Care Council Advisory Board Meeting

February 21, 2023, 9am-10am

EMS Richenson Room w/ GoToMeeting

<p><u>Present:</u> Wood Weiss – District 13 Chief Dan Laine – Burlington EMS Division Chief Paul Ross – Skagit Valley Hospital Glen Gardner – Sedro Woolley Chief</p> <p><u>Non-Voting:</u> Jill Hoogerhyde – Skagit EMS Training Freya Peebles – Skagit EMS Admin. Coordinator</p>	<p><u>Absent:</u> Matthew Russell – EMS Medical Program Dir. Eddie Hills – Town of Lyman Mayor Peter Browning - Skagit County Commissioner Amie Tidrington – Skagit County Public Health Josh Pelonio – EMS Director Lance Ford – Fire District 8 Commissioner Velma Lockrem – Swinomish PD</p> <p><u>Observer:</u> Nadja Baker – North Region Executive Director Rick Kowsky – Cascade Ambulance Dwight Worden– Cascade Ambulance Jon Bosshart – Northwest Ambulance Ginette Washington – Anacortes Hospital Margie Campbell – Anacortes Hospital</p>
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Opens at 9am

Welcome: P. Ross

- P. Ross calls meeting to order.
- Quorum not met

EMS Department Updates

EMS System Updates: J. Hoogerhyde

- **EMS Levy Renewal**
 - EMS Levy Renewal Vote coming up in April
 - Information can be found at skagitcounty.net/emslevy
- **New Protocols**
 - Have been released
 - Officially adopted March 1
 - Well received thus far
 - Making available via a Phone App is in progress
- **Pulsepoint**
 - Has made it through much of the approval process
 - IS is currently testing
- **EMS Rule Changes**
 - March 7 public hearing
 - Can be viewed on the DOH Website

- 3 sections of WAC in revision

Education/Training Updates: J. Hoogerhyde

- With the help of the North Region Grant Childbirth Training manikins were purchased
 - They've arrived and will be a helpful training tool

Letter to DOH: P Ross & J. Hoogerhyde

- Regarding rule changes
 - Explaining that some of the requirements are an undue burden on agencies
 - Requesting exemption

North Region EMS & Trauma Care Council Updates: N. Baker

- Pat Ellis training – Secondary Traumatic Stress
 - Positive feedback
 - Also happening Feb 29th at Whatcom EMS
- Grant opportunity
 - Community Paramedics
 - Snohomish EMS putting on summit on March 27th
 - Open to
 - Community Paramedic
 - Social Worker
 - Prehospital
 - Hospital
- Participating in a 5 year plan for 4 state plan: Disaster preparedness

Positions: Group

- Discuss positions to be voted on later electronically
 - Local Hospital Position
 - Margie Campbell nominated and willing to serve
 - Consumer
 - Discussion regarding position
 - Dwight Worden nominated and willing to serve
 - Prevention Specialist
 - Amie Tidrington's term has expired
 - Our office will be in communication with Public Health to fill the position
 - Vice Chair
 - Glen Gardner nominated and willing to serve

F. Peebles: Voting will be put out via Doodle or Email

Adjourned: 0922

Next Meeting: 9a-10a May 15, 2024, Location: Richenson Training Room – 2911 E College Way, Mount Vernon, WA w/ Zoom Teleconference Option