

Skagit County EMS & Trauma Care Council Advisory Board Meeting

February 27, 2019 – 10a to 12p

Present:

Lisa Edwards – Island Hospital RN
Tyler Dalton – Skagit Regional Health RN
Bryan Brice – Mount Vernon Chief
Jeff Sargent – EMS Dir.
Nick Walsh – Anacortes Assistant Chief
Roy Horn – Fire District 13
Lisa Janicki – Skagit County Commissioner
David Jefferson – Skagit County Public Health
Sandra Jensen – Country Meadow Village Dir.
Steve Sexton – Burlington Mayor
Joan Cromley – Hamilton Mayor

Absent:

Matthew Russell – EMS Medical Program Dir.
Jared Couch – Upper Skagit Sargent

Observer:

Chet Griffith
Earl Klinefelter
Julia Johnson

Non-Voting:

Josh Pelonio – EMS Training Coord.
Renata Maybruck – Skagit EMS Projects Manager
Freya Peebles – Skagit EMS Admin. Coord.

Opens at 10am.

Purpose of Council: J. Sargent

- Would like to keep this boards small and concise
- Because there was no Council Advisory Board EMS and it's a State requirement
- An example of previously training was the training done for the Sheriff's Office.
 - Want to be able to offer training across the board

Review the Bylaws/Make Recommendations: R. Maybruck & J. Sargent

- Commissioners recommended forming an Advisory Board
- Yakima is the only one in a situation similar to ours.
- This board will begin as an Advisory Board

Article II Organization and Objectives

2.0 Purpose

2.1

- Modified to "to local providers" at the end of the sentence

3.0 General Objectives

3.1

- Adding to the end of the sentence RCW70.168.120

3.5

- Current Regional Plan is outdated
- Don't Dispatch BLS currently
- Agencies changed to transport and aid agencies

3.7

- Opportunities are missed because we've not been taking advantage of grants
- Clarified to make "prioritized recommendation"
- Changes Regional Council to "Northwest Regional Council"

3.10

- Current System needs work
 - 911 and how we dispatch calls
 - Request for the additional work onto dispatchers without additional funding
 - Completing tasks that are incomplete; i.e. MCI Plan
 - Find problems and making corrections
- Additional verbiage to include provide “develop strategies” recommendations
 - Make recommendations, but unable to implement them
- Addition of 911 Representative
 - Suggestion of Chair of 911 Board – L. Janicki – Skagit County Commissioner
 - Chair of the 911 Board as ex officio

Appointment of Chair of 911 Board as an ex officio position vote: Approved with Majority Vote.

Review the Bylaws/Make Recommendations (cont.)

Article III Organization Membership

1.0 Advisory Board membership

- 1.1
 - specific number of member to be confirmed
- 1.2
 - Make corrections to add specific language from Resolution to the Bylaws for the additional two elected official positions beyond the Skagit County Commissioner
- 1.4
 - Amend Resolution to add Chet Griffith
 - Amend Resolution to change term change of representatives, TBD
- 1.6
 - Changing verbiage Any member who exhibits inappropriate or disruptive behavior may be removed with a majority vote of the Council Advisory Board as a recommendation to the Commissioners

Article IV Meetings

2.0 Minutes

- 2.1
 - Meetings will be made available to the public
 - Recommendations and actions

3.0 Quorum

- 3.1
 - Quorum shall be a majority of the filled position of the voting board

4.0 Voting

- 4.2
 - Items on the Meeting Agenda can be voted on
- 4.3 (created)
 - New Initiative Funding or Grant Funding shall require a supermajority (60%) when voting

Article V Officers

1.0 Officers

1.4 (created)

- Addition: In the absence of both the Chair and Vice Chair, the Chair can appoint a Designee to preside over this meeting.

Article VI Committee

1.0 AD HOC Committees

1.1

- If we want a committee we can have one, but they're not required

Other:

- Skagit County EMS & Trauma Care Council Advisory Board meetings are open/public meetings.
- Minutes Adding to EMS's Webpage
- Prior approved Designees can stand in. Call in options should be available. Currently being worked on.
- Intent is that Information/Documentation shared through to all agencies within Skagit County.

Revisited:

Article IV Meetings

1.0 Meetings

- Changed from Meetings to "Meetings and Attendance"

1.3 (created)

- Members can call in

Article IV Meetings & Attendance

2.0 Minutes

2.1 (modified)

- Minutes shall be taken at all meetings of the Advisory Board and shall include an accurate summary of all recommendations, discussion and action. Minutes shall be available to the public.

4.0 Voting

4.2 (created)

- New Initiative Fund or Grant Funding votes shall require a 60% majority for action on an issue.

4.3 (Changed from 4.2 to 4.3)

- Changed to: General business may be voted on at the same meeting that it was introduced on the meeting agenda.

4.4 (created)

- No proxy for voting.

Recommended changes:

- Special meeting can be called and call ins can make the vote
- Track Changes document with the requested changes will be made available

Nominations for Chair and Vice Chair:

- Walsh and Brice have been nominated for Chair
 - Brice declines
 - Nick Walsh for Chair vote: **All for, none opposed.**
- Dalton and Sexton nominated for Vice Chair
 - Sexton defers to Dalton
 - Tyler Dalton for Vice Chair vote: **All for, none opposed.**

Overview of the EMS Department: J. Pelonio & J. Sargent

- Fire-Based EMS Delivery Model
 - January 1st we moved from Central Valley Ambulance Authority to the Cities providing the Ambulance Transport Services
 - Mount Vernon was ALS
 - Sedro-Woolley became ALS
 - Burlington became ALS
 - Anacortes was ALS
 - Changing to this model removed tension and provided a clear command structure
 - More stability with new fire based system
- Training
 - Training Hub Model
 - If training is missed it can be made up with another Training Hub
 - Provided same equipment to the hubs
 - Curriculum is consistent
 - High School Training is done with the Training Hubs
 - Working on Law Enforcement Training
 - CPR/AED
 - Stop the Bleed
 - Intranasal Narcan
 - Initial EMT Training:
 - Working on the Spring Course at Skagit Valley College
 - Extra education had been added
 - Coroner
 - Sim Lab
 - Ride time
 - Currently there's a waitlist for the Spring Students
 - Want to engage the agencies who will be receiving these students
 - Equipment that's used
 - Kit configuration
 - This Board will approve education
 - Currently only EMT level training provided
 - SVC would like to add EMR level training program
 - Application to add the EMR course
 - Applications for current EMT courses
- Criteria-Based Dispatch
 - Current calls a paramedic responds
 - Other methodology's available based on questions asked by Dispatch
 - District 13 example
- Closest Unit Dispatch

- Sending closest appropriate unit to the call
- Timeline supposed to be June of 2020
- How many more BLS transport Provides should be added
 - Unknown until Criteria-Based is in place
- Representation for the North Regions EMS & Trauma Care Council
 - Openings available
 - Recommendations over the special bylaw phone in meeting

Additional:

- Dr. Mank would like to be involved and willing to be engaged

Nick Walsh, Chair, Adjourns meeting.

Votes:

1. Appointment of chair of 911 Board as an ex officio position vote: **Approved with Majority Vote.**
2. Nick Walsh for Chair vote: **All for, none opposed.**
3. Tyler Dalton for Vice Chair vote: **All for, none opposed.**