



Minutes
Kitsap County EMS and TCC
Board of Directors Meeting
January 11, 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM
Microsoft Teams Virtual

1. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

A. Call to Order at 9:00 am

Chair, Jeff Faucett verified a quorum was present on the video call.

B. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda Information into the CAV system 4A

C. Announcements

1. None

2. CONSENT ITEMS

Minutes of BOD Meeting: December 14, 2021

<p>MOTION by Joey Rodrigues to approve the consent items, as presented. SECONDED by Pat McGanney. Motion PASSED unanimously by all members present.</p>

A. Financial Update-

Chief Smith reported the balances in the checking and savings accounts.

Checking \$ 69,156.18

Savings \$ 80,840.64

B. MPD Report

Dr. Hoffman reported that he's been working on end-of-the-year training. Also, he's been working on the practicals for BLS OTEP for cardiac arrest and finishing up the infectious disease module and practices for those. Dr. Hoffman taught a difficult airway course in lacey and is staying abreast on the Omicron variant. He asked that all providers wear masks in the stations.

C. Monthly Staff Report

Danielle reported both her and Tamarah's monthly summaries were included in the Board materials. She reported that all bills are paid, and invoices are up-to-date. Danielle reported that she has been working on getting the Cage Code renewed and is in the review process.

Tamarah reported the end of the year statement that Dr. Hoffman eluded to was fantastic! Only 5 EMTs and 1 Paramedic went to CME. Once they recertify at the end of their cycle and take their nationals, they will be moved right back into the OTEP Program. Tamarah also reported that 11 of the EMTs that graduated last month, 8 of them have signed up to take their National. With that being said, 6 took their test, and passed the first time. Tamarah noted that the evaluations for the class were very high when asked about the evaluators. The equipment evaluation wasn't as good. Most students said having a



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trauma dummy would benefit students in class. Dr. Hoffman and Tamarah noted a trauma dummy costs between \$12,000-\$40,000. Chief Gillard offered to allow the EMT class to use their trauma dummy for a future class if need be. Tamarah reported that she has posted online application forms on the webpage for all skill classes this year along with the new supraglottic airway course. The Winter EMT class is has started with 21 students with over half the class sponsored.

3. OLD BUSINESS

A. Pulse Point

Richard Kirton reported that everything is squared away. Jenn Collins from St. Michaels reported she's working with the communications team and they're helping with a logo fix. Once the logo is fixed the funding will be completed.

B. Behavioral Health Policy

Dr. Hoffman reported that the final draft went out last night. The policy was shared via screen share. Dr. Hoffman went through a few areas that members had questions on. Restraints, scene protection, etc. He mentioned that some modules in ESO need to be turned on for data control and collection.

C. Non-Emergency Behavioral Health Transports

Chief Gillard reported that he hasn't worked on this lately. To recap, Chief Gillard reported that he had a conversation with Chief Harding about ITA folks. He spoke about the typical DCR when they're out in the field and they ITA someone. The question of who is transporting them was discussed. Chief Gillard spoke about what kind of information he received from LE. LE has no desire to transport someone because of an ITA. A medical emergency will transport if the person is safely restrained. Chief Gillard spoke about most ITA's go to the ER to be stabilized. The question is what happens when they need to go somewhere else was discussed.

4. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

A. Information into the CAD system

Giving the address to all providers of COVID positive people was discussed. Due to the rapid spike of the new variant, Kitsap 911 is behind in entering those addresses into the CAD system. Maria from Kitsap 911 reported the huge influx of covid, the daily notifications from BIFD, the list are about 300-400 individual entries per day. She estimated at least 1900 individual addresses need to be entered of all COVID positive people in the county. She's looking into an automatic import, which would come up as an alert tab on the first due screen.



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Discussion continued on address removal and stopping the import of information into the CAV system.

B. KCEMS Office weekly check-in Discussion

Chief Faucett discussed the subject of onboarding. Because the departments are planning to hire a large number of people, he considered the amount of work onboarding will take. He reported that having Tamarh work with each department's HR person would cut down the paperwork. He mentioned that the office could provide each HR with an onboarding template that would easily be imported into Target.

C. Update from st. Michaels

Chad from St. Michaels reported he interviewed with The Kitsap Sun. He discussed COVID numbers in the hospital. He reported that that number has risen to 400 covid positive admissions a day. The hospital is seeing record numbers in the ED. The new variant is in the community. He reported on staffing as well. His concern is still seeing the overuse of the ER for COVID with people who want a test or have gotten a positive test. Discussion on more testing sites in Kitsap County, tests, and wave guardianship for ED patients.

Jenn Collins announced that St. Michaels has hired a Stemi Coordinator. An announcement on the new hire will be coming soon.

Discussion on turning the nurse line to help re-route people who need to know where to go. Richard Kirton will reach out to Evergreen and Peninsula Health and start the process of getting the nurse line back on.

5. GOOD TO THE ORDER

Attendees:

Chief Jeff Faucett- SKFR
Chief John Oliver-CKFR
Joey Rodrigues-Olympic Ambulance
Chief Jim Gillard-PFD
Danielle Mackelwich-KCEMS
Tamarah Hoffman-KCEMS
Jenn Collins-St. Michaels
Dr. Hoffman-MPD
Chief Teran-BIFD
Chief McGanney-BFD
Chief Smith-NKFR
Richard Kirton-Kitsap 911
Scott Davarn-Westsound
Chad Melton-St. Michaels
Claire Clarke
Maria-Jameson-Owens-Kitsap 911