

**WALLA WALLA COUNTY EMS & TRAUMA CARE COUNCIL  
JUNE 2, 2016 6:00 PM WWCC BOARDROOM  
MINUTES OF MEETING**

**Liz Jessee called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm in the Boardroom @ WWCC**

**INTRODUCTIONS:**

**PRESENT:** Melissa Bowe, Brian Callahan, Patty Courson, Bill Dunham, Charlie Drury, Steve Hoffman, Liz Jessee, Heather Lee, Justin Lessard, Alyssa Wells, Neosha Guse.

**EXCUSED:** Bill Box, Randy Hinchcliffe, Brian Jones, Holly Jones, Kevin Kromm, Susan Leathers, Brad Morris, Dr. Thomas Underhill and David Winter.

**ABSENT:** David DeVere, Jim Duncan, Jim Estep, Walt Gobel, Alysa Kyle, Patti Loney, Brad Mason, Erik Swanson, Lori Wardlaw, Dennis Waters, Liz Wolotira and Eric Wood.

**GUEST:** None

**MINUTES OF MEETING:**

Motion made by Patty Courson and seconded by Steve Hoffman that the minutes be approved, motion passed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

\$20,996.87, all bills paid

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**MPD REPORT:** None

**EMS DIRECTOR:**

Heather Lee reported –

- An MCI was conducted on May 23, 2016, at the Walla Walla Airport. The EMS aspects of the exercise went very well. The responders continually reevaluated patients and recognized the need to triage if necessary.
- On May 16, 2016 a representative from Boundtree, Philips, and the fire districts met to discuss the issues with our current Philips AEDs. The districts were shown various models of AEDs that are capable of high performance CPR and they will be working with the representatives to determine pricing options.
- We were able to get the EMS Evaluator course completed on May 19<sup>th</sup> at WWCC. There were approximately 12 personnel in attendance from Walla Walla, Columbia, and Benton counties.
- There will be a conference call on June 20, 2016 with DOH at 1:00 p.m. to discuss the Min/Max numbers for Walla Walla and Columbia counties.
- The 2016-2017 OTEP calendar is being created. We will be looking to add a few new OTEP modules this year; active shooter, drug school, and removal of specialized sports equipment. If anyone is interested in assisting with creation of these modules please contact me.

- 2015 cardiac arrest data has shown a 20% increase in Walla Walla County. This is largely due to a protocol change allowing a Code C patient's not be transported to the ER.
- On May 11<sup>th</sup> Dr. Underhill and I attended a commissioners meeting for Dist. #4 regarding purchasing a new ambulance and beginning BLS transport in 2017. After some discussion Dist. #4 made the decision to move forward with purchase of an ambulance and beginning BLS transport.
- The annual MPD meeting is next Monday, June 6<sup>th</sup> in Kent, both Dr. Underhill and Heather will be attending.
- As of May 31<sup>st</sup> Dr. Luce has retired as MPD for Columbia County. Dr. Luce will be replaced by Dr. Neace. Dr. Neace brings a wealth of experience to the table and will be a great addition to the MPD's.

### **REGIONAL:**

Heather Lee reported –

- The state announced they will be making several changes in order to streamline processes and applications. These changes will be explained in depth at the MPD meeting next week and should be going into effect in the next several months.

**LIFEFLIGHT:** None

### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:**

Liz Jessee reported-

- We participated in the MCI at the Walla Walla Airport on May 23, 2016. We had many nursing students volunteer as well as EM volunteers. We are in the process of completing the AAR.
- We ordered and received approximately 160 Emergency Response Guides.
- There is a state mandate that goes into effect next year requiring emergency announcements to be translated into Spanish. The state has asked that all agencies do their best to implement this change during this year's fire season so we are working on the logistics of that with Everbridge. Approximately 37% of our county population consists of Spanish speaking citizens.
- Next week there will be a three day tabletop exercise regarding a 9.0 magnitude earthquake along the Cascadia Subduction Zone (CSZ). We will be participating on Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at the Shilo Inn in Richland. This exercise will cover the earthquake, resulting tsunami, and how this complex disaster could affect emergency management and public safety officials throughout the Pacific Northwest.

### **TRAINING:**

Heather Lee reported-

- WWCC is now accepting application for Fall EMT class. There are plans for a Winter EMR class and Spring EMT class as well.

Patty Courson reported –

- We have new books for EMT class and will be working on changing the CANVAS and JB learning systems to accommodate the new books.

**TRAFFIC SAFETY:**

Heather Lee reported-

- We finished the Every 15 Minutes program for 2016. Big thanks to District 6 for participating at Touchet High School's program.
- Summer emphasis patrols for Click it or Ticket and DUI are going on now.
- Walla Walla Walks Against Drunk Driving Fun Run will be held on Sept. 10, 2016.

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH**

Heather Lee reported –

- A new director will be starting on or by July 1, 2106. Her name is Meghan DeBolt.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Steve Hoffman reported-

- Fire Districts 1, 3, and 7 are going to combining and will operate as North County Fire by Jan1, 2017.

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Liz Jesse adjourned meeting at 6:27 PM.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be **Thursday, August 4, 2016 @ 6:00 p.m.** @ WWCC Boardroom

Respectfully submitted,

*Alyssa Wells*