

**PC EMS COUNCIL
TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES
September 26, 2018 – 9:00**

Attendance:

Membership Attendance Roster on File.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 am by Patsy Maloney. Introductions were made around the room. Previous meeting minutes were provided, voted on and accepted as written.

Unfinished Business:

Nothing on agenda.

New Business:

A. Doug Bekenyi – SEI Candidate

Melissa Stoddard presented Doug, saying she's known him for 13 yrs and he has been instructing at TCC EMT & PM program. Doug introduced himself and said he's worked for Central Kitsap Fire, is a TCC grad, and also worked on a private ambulance. His packet was reviewed. Cynde made a motion to approve Doug as a new SEI, it was seconded and approved.

B. OR – (MultiCare not accepting)

Matt Waltrip announced that MultiCare has a moratorium on taking PMs into the OR until Oct 1st. Kevin Heindel said he's got four people needing tubes but they can't get into the OR. Russ McCallion responded saying, he understands the legal issues, but hospitals aren't supporting the community by doing this.

Norma clarified that the WAC states they are covered legally, so that shouldn't be a concern. Karmela suggested writing a letter to the hospitals and informing them of their responsibility and of the urgent need.

Sam proposed getting the State's backing, adding that we must look at it as a crisis.

Russ offered to contact Chief Backer, head of the Fire Chiefs Association, to write a letter to both hospital systems appealing for community support and for permission to get into the ER. Cynde confirmed that a letter to the "higher ups" is needed. Norma suggested that Patsy also write a letter from the T&D Committee. Russ added that he thinks PCEMS should also write a letter, specifically from Dr. Waffle.

After much discussion, it was determined that three letters will be sent to the hospitals: from the Pierce County Fire Chiefs Association, from the EMS Training and Development Committee, and from Dr. Waffle. Patsy expressed concern with how she would be knowledgeable enough on the subject to write the letter. Kevin agreed to draft a letter for Patsy to review and edit then sign. A motion was made to proceed with this plan and passed unanimously.

Unscheduled Business:

Norma reported that the Travis Alert Curriculum PowerPoint is finished. It is required for EMS and LE to have this training in caring for People with Access and Functional Needs. It can be done in OTEP or in New Employees Orientation. It is approximately 2 hours of training.

Announcements:

Cynde announced the Mary Bridge Base Station at 9:00 am on December 17th. Breakfast will be served from 8:00 to 9:00 am.

The next meeting is November 28th.

Adjournment: Meeting Adjourned @ 9:48 am.