

**THURSTON COUNTY MEDIC ONE
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE ~ MEETING MINUTES
MEDIC ONE OFFICE
December 7, 2017**

PRESENT: Greg Wright, Steve Brooks, Chris Clem, Larry Fontanilla, Brian VanCamp, Mallore Fontanilla, Keith Flewelling, Stewart Mason, Alex Christiansen, Russ Kaleiwahea, Kathy Pace

ABSENT: Dave Pearsall, Scott LaVielle, John Wood

EXCUSED:

GUESTS: Mike Buchanan, Jim Brown, Amy Larson, Tony Kuzma, Sean Farnand

STAFF: Kurt Hardin, Ben Miller-Todd, Sandra Bush, Scott Brownell

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL – Chair Wright called the regular meeting of the Operations Committee to order at 2:00 PM. Staff recorded roll.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –MSC - (Brooks/Clem) move to approve and this carried unanimously.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Operations Committee – November 2, 2017 – **MSC** Kurt Hardin was not in attendance at the November meeting and asked for the minutes to be changed to reflect that. (Flewelling/Brooks) moved to approve as amended, and this carried unanimously.
2. EMS Council – November 15, 2017 (informational only)

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. WEST REGION – Hardin reported: 1) Conference will take place in March. 2) There was discussion on MIN/MAX on hospitals with no significant changes. 3) RCW 17.21, allowing response agencies to take someone with behavioral health issues directly to a behavioral health facility. The WREMS council looked at Pierce County's policy which had specific criteris such as no alcohol or drugs involved, receiving facility needs to agree on receiving the patient, and Chief Brooks made the recommendation to change the policy so it says it is voluntary and not a requirement unless the MPD requires the responding agencies to transport directly to a behavioral health facility. 4) WREMS Strategic Plan was discussed. 5) DOH notification for changing WAC 246.976 (a copy of this email will be emailed to Ops Committee members). A meeting will be held by DOH on December 20th.

B. SUBCOMMITTES

1. Equipment Committee (EqC) – None
2. Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Committee – None
3. Training Advisory Committee (TAC) – Jim Brown reported: 1) Discussed having an MCI class presented to each agency, as a review class and having a drill hosted by each of the agencies in the summer months. 2) There will be a meeting December 21st to finish tying op 2018 OTEP.
4. Transportation Resource Utilization Committee (TRU) – Brooks reported: 1) The CPR call type is being successfully utilized. 2) Removing ambulances from the response packages for all BLS yellow call types – the data will be reviewed after the first of the year to see what the impact has been.
5. Staff Report – A couple of changes to what was included in the packet: 1) New medic units will be picked up December 13th, not November 30th. EMT course graduation is December 21st at 1800.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. EMS Council Action Report – Wright reported: 1) EMSC reviewed year-to-date quarterly budget reports. 2) TRPC continues to be discussed and there will be a new steering committee with a comprehensive 20 year plan. 3) Wright asked Hardin to report on the SPSCC EMT course; Medic One is supporting SPSCCs winter EMT course, however there is uncertainty of what they want to do in the future, but it sounds like they want

to continue offering the EMT course. Medic One will be asking the fire agencies for a projection on the number of students expected to attend an EMT course in 2018. 4) December EMSC meeting has been cancelled.

- B. Medic One Call Reporting – As a follow-up to an Auditor’s concern for discrepancies on calls reported, Ben Miller-Todd handed out a 2016 Response Time Compliance with Filters report, as well as a report from TCOMM. The report produced by TCOMM show all dispatched calls, whereas the Response Time Compliance report shows incident calls. The TCOMM report is used for BLS financial support purposes, as this report provides the higher number of calls.
- C. Vaccination Policy Clarification - Ben Miller-Todd reported: Vaccinations are covered for all EMS personnel, and are not paid out of the BLS supply fund budget, they are paid from a separate budget line item specifically for vaccinations.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Cradle Point Modem – Medic One is upgrading the BLS modems from Sierra to Cradle Point, for reliability issues, and expect to have this completed by Summer 2018.

VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER – Hardin reported: 1) Open Public Meeting Act training is required for members of the Ops committee, therefore a 15 minute video will be presented at the January 2018 meeting. 2) The Professional Services contract with Pete Suver will be extended through 2018 for backup/support to the ALS Program Manager. 3) Medic One reimbursement requests need to be submitted by December 31, 2017. Keith Flewelling reported: 1) The State Interoperability Committee is meeting December 14, 2017 and the purpose of the meeting is to come up with a recommendation for the Governor to either opt in or opt out on First Net, and he has to make a decision by December 28th.

IX. ADJOURNMENT - 2:34 PM