

**THURSTON COUNTY MEDIC ONE
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE ~ MEETING MINUTES
VIRTUAL
March 3, 2022**

PRESENT: Brian VanCamp, Steve Brooks, Ciaran Keogh, Tony Kuzma, Wendy Hill, Mindy Churchwell, Mark Gregory, Wendy Rife, Larry Fontanilla, Garth Wade

ABSENT: Mark John, Jeff DeHan, Leonard Johnson

EXCUSED: Brian Hurley

GUESTS: Karen Weiss, Monti Sorem, Michael Hughes, Jennifer Schmidt, Rian Winter

STAFF: Sandra Bush, Ben Miller-Todd, Anna Lee Drewry

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL – The meeting was called to order at 2:00.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA –MSC – (Gregory/Brooks) move to approve the agenda as presented, and this carried.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Operations Committee – February 3, 2022 – (Kuzma/Gregory) move to approve and this carried.
2. EMS Council – February 16, 2022 (Informational only)

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. **West Region EMS Council** – Kuzma reported: 1) West Region report to the DOH was submitted and they were very pleased with the progress and the way everything was submitted. 2) Executive Director Greg Perry presented changes to the WREMS website. One of the items he pointed out on the website was the Mary Bridge Children's Hospital Pediatric Emergency Medicine conference which will be held Tuesday, September 13th at the LeMay car museum. There is no registration fee for this conference. 3) The WREMS strategic plan was discussed. Chair VanCamp asked for a copy of this to be sent to Sandra for distribution to the Ops Committee. 4) Ann Nezbit (? sp) gave an injury violence and prevention mental health training presentation. 5) MPDs would like to get a regional MCI plan together with the following items agreed on; universal triage system, universal triage tag, and universal channel. Any input on this can be submitted to the West Region committee.

B. **Subcommittees**

1. Equipment Committee (EqC) – Rian Winter reported: 1) Still having a tough time getting epi 1:10,000. Medic One is currently making doses to distribute as needed. 2) PPE inventory is still strong. 3) Working on getting COVID-19 testing kits. 4) Peep valves that OFD was trialing worked great. These are being ordered by Medic One for distribution. 5) OFD is going to evaluate the "check the dose" application and bring it back to the committee in March for more discussion. 6) Next meeting is scheduled for March 31st.
2. Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Committee – Miller-Todd said there was a very quick sub-committee meeting on the Active Shooter Plan which will be discussed at the next MCI meeting. The next MCI meeting has not been scheduled.
3. Training Advisory Committee (TAC) – No meeting, no report.
4. Transportation Resource Utilization Committee (TRU) / Hospital Diversion – Miller-Todd reported: 1) The HPU is tentatively scheduled to halt the end of March but will be re-evaluated at the next TRU meeting. Anecdotally there has been a significant drop in the use of the HPU. 2) Chiefs and Operations Chiefs received an email the day before yesterday letting everyone know that yesterday was the first day of the 90-day trial of no divert in Thurston County.
5. ePCR Committee – PCR/No PCR is still being reviewed, and there will probably be the need for one or two more sessions to finish up the review. All providers have been encouraged to lock and sync their charts off the tablet.

C. **Staff Report** – Staff report is located on the website at – <https://www.thurstoncountywa.gov/m1/Pages/meetings.aspx>

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. EMS Council Action Report – VanCamp reported: 1) At the February 16th meeting nominations were accepted for the Chair and Vice-Chair and voting will take place in March. 2) 2022 BLS Funding was presented. 3) Three WREMS applications were approved for vacant positions.

B. 2022 BLS Funding Worksheet – At the February EMSC meeting, the council approved an increase to the Financial and Supplies/Equipment support base amount. Financial Support base amount increased from \$17,275 to \$20,000,

and the Supplies/Equipment base amount increased from \$9,750 to \$10,000. Medic One will also absorb the agency's cost of modem support which is approx., \$108,000 annually.

C. OTEP Evaluator Process – Drewry presented the recommended OTEP evaluator process for 2022, which is being considered a pilot at this time, and asked for approval. (Gregory/Keogh) move to adopt the proposal for in-house evaluators as proposed, and this carried.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Ambulance Ordinance Review – The Ops committee must review the ambulance ordinance semi-annually for recommended changes, and there were no recommended changes at this time.

VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER – None.

IX. ADJOURNMENT – (Kuzma/Churchwell) move to adjourn at 2:31, and this carried.