

WHATCOM COUNTY EMS/TC COUNCIL
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EDUCATION COMMITTEE MINUTES
October 09, 2008

PRESENT: Denise Christensen, WCFD #14, Chair; Therese Williams, WCFD #7/BTC; Duncan McLane, WCFD #11; Justin Thompson, Dist 8; Keri Snodgrass, council manager

ABSENT: Randy VanderHeiden, BFD; Leslie Pederson, WCFD #4; Jerry Martin, WCFD #7; Howard Adams, WCFD #9; Kim Cook, Dist #16; John Swobody, NWFRS; Gary Baar, Lynden

CALL TO ORDER: Denise Christensen called the regularly scheduled October meeting of the Education Committee to order at 1:05.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - Meeting minutes from the September meeting were approved (Therese/Duncan).

ACTIVITY REPORTS:

North Region Education Committee: Next meeting is on the 28th at the Mt. Vernon fire station.

Funding: \$10200 was received from last years grant. It will be distributed soon to the agencies. An additional \$300 was received as a participation grant.

Communications: none

WCTOA report: no report

QI committee: Duncan reported that Jerry is waiting for a few more key players, including the ER. A tentative meeting date is set up for the end of this month.

OLD BUSINESS:

Protocols and transport guidelines: no work has been done on this recently.

King tube: Dr. Wayne has stated that we can phase in the use of the King tubes while continuing to use the combitubes until they are expired and/or used. The funding issue will be addressed at the next general council meeting. Evaluators will be invited to the instructors workshop for the king tube. After Monday's meeting an email will be send to the agencies advising that if there was a member who attended the train the trainer workshop can train their existing EMT's who are already trained in airway and can begin to use the King tubes. They must contact Keri with the name of their trainer and she will email out the packet of protocol and training materials.

NEW BUSINESS:

Instructor workshops: Instructor workshops will be held on Tues Nov 18th @6:30, Sat Nov 22nd from 9-12 at WCFD #8 and Wednesday Dec 3rd at 6:30. Topics will include King Tube, OTEP, ResQ Trial, and protocols. Evaluators will be invited. One evening workshop will be held at Dist 7 and another at Dist 4. Keri will arrange.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: With no further business the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be on November 13th.
