Education Committee

Tuesday, January 11, 2010
10:00 am – 11:15 am
Burlington Fire Department

PRESENT:

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<td>Mik Preysz</td>
<td>Education Committee Chair/Orcas Island Fire Dep.</td>
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<td>Jerry Martin</td>
<td>Whatcom County Fire District #7</td>
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<td>Earl Klinefelter</td>
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<td>Darin Reid</td>
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<td>Denise Christensen</td>
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COUNCIL STAFF:
Martina Nicolas Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS:
Mik Preysz, called the meeting to order at 10:005 a.m. and introductions were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Minutes from the October 19 Education Committee meeting were approved
Denise Christensen (m), Jerry Martin (s), unanimously

REGIONAL NEEDS SURVEY
Mik explained this is a requirement to complete our deliverables. We hope to get more agencies participating in the survey with the changes we have made. The hope is that it is easier then it was last year. Jerry stated that he has taken the survey and had no problems. Other people that were suppose to take the survey and report back to the office with any problems. Joan has made some significant changes to the format and the questions.

Review of Survey/Edits
The group decided to change a few things in the survey the changes include:
Moved out of Area
Retired
Career Change/ Advancement
Personal
Disgruntle
Termination/Layoff
Training and Equipment section did not need any changes. There were no gaps that the group can see. The group discussed other questions they wanted to ask in the survey that wasn’t included in the survey that we as a Council would like to add. The group decided to add:

Do you know how to access the Regional Council?
Are you the contact person for your department? If not, who is?

**Action Item:** Martina stated that she would have the survey out and live by February 15, 2011.

**Action Item:** The committee will collect all surveys by March 15, 2011 in order to gather all information in preparation for April’s Committee meeting where the committee plans to review the stats.

**SCHEDULE CHANGES**
The Committee discussed possibly moving our meeting date to allow more people to participate in the Regional Committees.

**REGIONAL TRAINING CALENDAR**
The committee discussed the importance of having a regional training calendar. The website has the ability to allow people to post information on the Calendar. This will provide a central hub to see were all the area training takes place.

**Action Item:** Martina will request that all regional Training Coordinators send North Region their trainings in order to organize a regional Training Calendar.

**EXHIBIT B DELIVERABLES**
The only deliverables we need to focus on is the Contract budget and the Needs Assessment. These deadlines are fast approaching but we are still ahead of schedule.

**Motion:** Denise made a motion that we continue to keep the same funding amount as last year. Each County will receive 9,200.00.
**Second:** Mik Preysz.
**Passed:** Unanimously

**MISSION STATEMENT**
Martina asked the Committee in the future if we wanted to work under a mission statement. Jerry state he thought that we worked under the direction of the deliverables. Mik suggested we wait till we look at the Deliverables and possible look at developing a mission statement at the next meeting.

**Action Item:** Martina will add “Mission Statement” for the next agenda.

**PEDIATRIC CONFERENCE**
Martina reported we only have 25 people registered for the conference. We will have about 100-130 spots available. The cost of the conference is 30.00 dollars a person and then 35.00 dollars after January 17th, 2011. The conference information is available on the internet, and those that wish to register through pay pal that is also on the website.
INFORMATION & DISTRIBUTION OF MATERIALS
The committee discussed having a Regional Council Representative/Executive Director attend all Local Council Meetings in order to properly distribute materials and notify local councils of important information.

LOCAL COUNTY REPORTS

Whatcom County:
Denise reported they have an EMT Class going on right now. They did do an RN to EMT bridge class. They are doing their ALS Transport Guidelines so EMTs in the field know when they can update to ALS, this will help them know the difference between ALS and BLS. Jan reported the rescue trial was a success, the save rate went up 53% and after one year survival rates were 51% with good neurological outcomes. It was a combination of the pump and the pod. This will be published in the Lancet Journal. Mik requested we have a link posted to the website in the appropriate Hospital section.

Denise reported they will do the Nurse to EMT bridge class again if they have enough people. There might be an interest from Snohomish or possibly from other counties. They were able to use the old curriculum and the state approved the class with an extra day for a practical day.

Mik suggested we look into hosting as an Education Committee a Regional Bridge to EMT Class, and have the Region help fund this class.

San Juan:
They had a very successful Pediatric Pears class and with North Region CBT Grant funding they were able to run it twice. He also reported they had a very successful Trauma Class. It was modeled after PHTELS. They ran through 6 fully moulaged scenarios. They will be doing some geriatric training which they will post on the website.

Snohomish: Not Present
Island: Not Present
Skagit: Not Present

REGIONAL EXERCISE
Martina reported the regional exercise is fast approaching. It will be held in May of 2011. The main staging ground will be at the Arlington Airport. All Hospitals have agreed to participate in some form of the other. Some of them are doing table tops and some are evacuating their patients to other hospitals.

From the Floor:
Mik reported the Executive Board had a conference call and they have finalized job descriptions, and the postings will be done and live February 1st. The positions will be two program coordinators and one Regional Council Executive Director. He also reported the benefits package will be changed and there will be an option of whether or not they want to use the Benefits.

NEXT MEETING
Thursday, April 15, 2010
10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
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GOOD of the ORDER:

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Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Martina Nicolas, Administrative Assistant