

**Northwest Community EMS System  
Research and Development Committee  
MINUTES January 8, 2019**

Topic	Discussion	Actions/Follow-Up
<b>Call To Order</b>	Meeting called to order at 10:59.	
<b>Minutes &amp; Agenda</b>	Agenda sent out prior to meeting. No additions. November minutes approved unanimously.	
<b><u>Old Business</u></b> i-gel extraglottic airways	Training to be completed by PEER Educators by 3/1/2019. Starting 6/1/2019 NWC EMSS hospitals are required to stock i-gels for exchange. Adult sizes will replace King LTS-D airways through attrition as previous existing supplies are used up.	
New Cardiac Electrodes	R&D identified that EMS was having issues with MEDLINE electrodes currently being supplied by NCH. R&D suggested electrodes be replaced with Ambu, Zoll or 3M Red Dot based on field evaluations and cardiac monitor manufacture's recommendations.	NCH has replaced all MEDLINE electrodes w/ 3M Red Dots in 5 electrode packages
<b><u>New Business</u></b> Presentation of Zoll Ventilator	Tito Espiritu presented new Zoll ventilator designed specifically for EMS use. This ventilator can be used with Lifepak & Zoll cardiac monitors. R&D affirms that its use would benefit agencies who have large ventilator dependent patients in long-term care facilities. Tito stated that the Uni-vent, listed as optional on our Drug & Supply list, is no longer manufactured or serviced and the Zoll ventilator is its replacement. Motion made and seconded to approve Zoll Z ventilator as a me-too optional item to replace Uni-vent on the Drug & Supply list. Motion passed unanimously.	Departments that would like to carry this device must follow up with Dr. Jordan for specifics on use & training prior to carrying the device.
Drug & Supply List for Nontransport Vehicles	R&D identified the need to update Drug and Supply list due to added equipment over the past year by R&D. Due to new State EMS Rules and updated Scope of Practice Model the Drug and Supply List and MedEngine list must be updated.	List to be provided to Connie. Connie to provide drafts for discussion at March R&D meeting.
Drug & Supply List specific for RTF	Ed Rogers presented the equipment approved for RTF gear not previously listed on the Drug & Supply List. Ed suggested this list be attached to the List. Motion to approved RTF list by Steve Johnson and seconded by Doug Schuberth. RTF list approved unanimously.	
Elections	Elections were held for the position of Chairperson & Secretary of R&D. Motion by Scott Renshaw to nominate Ed Rogers for Chair. Seconded by Brian Freese. Motion passed unanimously. Motion by Ed Rogers to elect Drew Hansen as secretary. Seconded by Scott Renshaw. Motion passed unanimously Motion by Ed Rogers to elect Doug Schuberth to represent R&D at the advisory committee. Second by Drew Hansen. Motion passed unanimously.	
Charter approval 2019	Motion made by Doug Schuberth to approve R&D Charter for 2019. Seconded by Brian Freese. Motion passed unanimously.	
<b>Info from the floor</b>	Next meeting: Pulsepoint presentation	
<b>Adjournment</b>	Next Meeting – March 6 <sup>th</sup> 2019. Motion to adjourn: Hansen AHFD. Second: Schuberth SFD. Meeting adjourned at 12:12.	

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Drew Hansen