



PORTLAND BUREAU OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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NLC Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 07/20/2018 3:00 pm

Meeting Location: PBEM ECC Executive Conference Room, 9911 SE Bush St., Portland

Prepared By: Ernest Jones, PBEM

Present (not a quorum, no votes taken):

John Beaston, Jeff Israel, Erik Hovmiller, Ernest Jones,
Glenn C. Devitt, Jonna Papaefthimiou, DaVon Wilson-Angel,

Participating by phone (503-823-9998): none

Not present: Rachel Jacky, Jeremy Van Keuren, Sharon Ross, Barry Newman, Alicia Hinojosa, Susan Ronning, John Steup

Observers: Kathy Reese, representing Friends of Portland NET

Meeting began at 3:02 pm

JP: Cully preparedness presentation well attended (30 residents, Spanish translation provided) and well received. Home Forward and Verde very receptive to PBEM message – Regina’s arrival has helped with that.

DWA: Cully preparedness workshop. Participants marked on map where they would go in the event of disaster. Majority noted Rigler School (existing BEECN site). Community hungry for emergency preparedness info.

Boys & Girls Club (Waddles Club in Lents). About 9 students ages 9-15, 1.5 hours weekly for 8 weeks using NET curriculum. Students absorbing preparedness info very quickly. Students report telling parents about preparedness info.

GD: PBEM received 140 donated radios from Free Geek (weather radio, battery operated, SW, portable). Working with Dan Douthit (PBEM PIO) to determine how to distribute them.

1. CCWG update

GD: common standards for NET/CERT qualifications, background checks, and training being developed.

Stop the Bleed training kits were purchased, one for each of the five counties. Investigating the possibility of more combined bulk purchases.

JP: NETs are deployed by the CoP in a way that is not done by other neighboring jurisdictions.

UASI18 funding

Again Portland just made it: Ranked #33 out of 33

GD: \$630 million approved nationally, don't know how much will filter to RDPO yet.

JP: EMPG grant \$360 million awarded to PBEM

USGS earthquake early warning: \$23 million, up from \$10 million last year

2. Sync TL elections (bi)annually?

GD: Should we synchronize TL elections on an annual or biannual schedule, rather than have them scattered throughout the years?

EH: What problem is needing to be solved with syncing TL elections? How would PBEM staff attend all meetings in one month – logistically possible? Could tracking TL elections be solved with an Excel spreadsheet?

3. Recruit for Deb's position – create a standing spot for FPN?

GD: Suggestion to create a spot on NLC for Friends of Portland NET (to spin off from Friends of PF&R)

KR: 4 NETs working to create the 501(c)3 working for last several months to make this happen. 44 respondents from survey to NETs about the formation of Friends of Portland NET. Vision of paid staff at FPN in the future. NET Rachel Bristol, former director of the OR Food Bank, is one of the four and has been lending valuable expertise.

4. Revisit 'Emeritus' status

EH: Recent NLC meeting seemed to be in favor of this. How to do the details?

JJ: Will they still be indemnified?

GD: No.

DWA: what about two statuses: deployable NET (30 hrs training, etc) and not-deployable (less training or emeritus status)

JJ: Possible spectrum of preparedness (ranging from hazard awareness to full 30 hour NET training) described. Like EMT 1-5.

Group: Supportive of this idea.

5. Resuscitating quarterly TL meetings

GD: It is part of his workplan to restart these meetings for TLs. Others supportive of this idea. Looking for ideas for these meetings (e.g., volunteer retention)

EH: TLs, ATs, AROs were invited to attend. Others not turned away. What about sharing hands-on topics?

Jl: Suggestion: Use a table top exercise during a TL meeting so TLs can try something like that for their team.

KR: How to be a team leader guidebook in process – designed for new TLs (how to structure a NET meeting, how to be a team leader, etc.). Bob Fischer, Laura Hall and Kathy Reese are half-way through a first draft.

6. We might have a sneak peek of some new videos and artwork

Not this time, sorry.

GP & DWA: PBEM looking for balance between video training and in-person training for efficiency.

7. Other Business:

BBQ at PBEM? Glenn will consider it as there seems to be interest after Labor Day.

Updating of upcoming “Radio Summit” and regional protocol for spectrum management.

Adjourned 4:20 pm

NEXT MEETING (tentative): 19 OCT 2018, 1500-1700 at ECC