

**Washington State Society for Healthcare Engineering**  
 Eastern Chapter Meeting Minutes  
 Confluence Health / Central Washington Hospital  
 1201 S Miller Street  
 Wenatchee, WA 98801  
 Conference Rooms F & G  
 September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
 10am-2pm

**Attendees;**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Company</b>
Brad Jones	CWCMH
Lindsey Mickelsen	Thyssenkrupp Elevator
Will Mackin	Walla Walla General
Eric Jensen	Thyssenkrupp Elevator
Greg Russell	Walla Walla General
Bob Spurgeon	Advanced Med Tech
Amos Poe	Siemens
Mike Severns	Apollo Solutions Group
Rick Beach	Siemens Fire
Eric Rodgers	PHCSC
Ed Luebben	Meier Architecture /Engineers
Earl Eastman	Bruce Heating and Air
David Devous	Confluence Health

**Administrative**

1. Sign-in Sheet
2. Introduction of attendees
3. Approval of June minutes
4. Treasurer Report
  - a. Account Balance as of July 24 2014 is \$32944.31
  - b. Membership Update
    - i. Eastern Chapter 183 Members -84 Associate 99 Professional
    - ii. Puget Sound Chapter 479 3 retired 363 Associates 113 Professional
    - iii. Southwest Chapter 165 2 honorary 91 Associate 72 Professional
5. 2014 Meeting Dates (First Friday) / Location / Host
  - a. **March 7** Samaritan Hospital – Moses Lake, Rob Huit
  - b. **June 6** Whitman Hospital – Colfax, Curtis McNeilly
  - c. **September 5** Central Washington Hospital – Wenatchee, Ed Farnbrook / David DeVous
  - d. **December 5** McKinstry – Spokane, Brent Tracy / Mark Barglof

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### **Advocacy and Networking**

1. Several WSSHE Members attended the ASHE annual Conference in Chicago and leadership meetings
2. State Board Updates – Meeting held August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014
  - a. Next board meeting to be held at annual conference in Yakima
  - b. 5k Donation to be made by Eastern Chapter to Pete Peterson Scholarship Fund to be used for full members to attend WSSHE Conferences
  - c. Discussed benefits of hiring work study /student engineers to work in healthcare environments
  - d. Discussed CHF/M/CHC classes that are being offered and shared appreciation of Robert Blakey's efforts in leading the way to make this happen
3. Annual Conference Updater
  - a. Brochure is complete, speakers are set all systems go!
4. ASHE Advocacy / Liaison Update
  - a. Eric Rodgers filled in for Mr. Kercher some topics discussed;
    - i. John Williams 2014 FGI Guidelines Webinar held on 9/4/14
    - ii. Possible joint annual conference within the next few years with Oregon Society of Healthcare Engineers(OSHE)
    - iii. ASHE E2C program turning BTU'S into FTE'S
    - iv. WSSHE again awarded ASHE Platinum Level of Affiliation
    - v. Ben Myers and Eric Rodgers working on ASHE Body of Knowledge Task Force
    - vi. Facilities /Engineering Appreciation week of October 19<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>

### **Growth and Communication**

1. Annual Conference – “Healthcare Operational Performance Strategies” October 14 – 17, Yakima
2. WSSHE Scholarships
  - a. Mac Makenzie
  - b. Pete Peterson
3. Newslines Articles 2014
  - a. March – Phil Kercher
  - b. June – Ben Myers
  - c. September – Will Mackin
  - d. December – Mike Severns

**Note – Eastern Chapter Members – Please keep in mind all members can submit news articles and they only need to be a couple of paragraphs. These articles can be related to anything to do with Healthcare Facilities Management that you feel our members may find valuable.**

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4. Eastern Chapter June Training 2015
  - a. Please be thinking of possible topics for the next June Training

5. Questions from Chuck?

What's on your mind? Ask any questions that you might have related to Healthcare of fellow WSSHE members, Share experiences you may have had that may be beneficial for others. How can we help each other?

- Duane Van Beek –Retired State Fire Marshal expressed gratitude for the kind words from WSSHE for his work during his many years as fire marshal.
- Discussed Mary Valladares State Fire Marshal (SFM) and the good job she is doing working with Healthcare facilities and the taking over responsibility of many areas around the state.
- Discussed requirement for remote kill switches on generators (NFPA 110) Eric Rodgers will email Mary's (SFM) comments related to this requirement
- Discussed Seismic Rupture Valve requirements in elevators, some older elevator maintenance agreements may not cover the costs related to testing of the seismic valve. Eric Jensen of Thyssenkrupp Elevator will provide a newswire article related to this topic.

#### **Educational Session**

1. Bob Spurgeon with Advanced MedTech, Inc. gave us a power point presentation on the latest technology and trends in wireless communications, RTLS (Real Time Locating Systems) and interconnectivity to other hospital systems. Bob is the Regional Manager for Washington, Idaho, and Montana for Advanced MedTech, Inc. Bob has 15 years' experience as a regional manager in Healthcare and industrial supply, a Master's in Adult Education, and is manufacturer trained in Nurse Call, Wireless Phones, RTLS, and Infant/Wandering Resident Protection.

#### **Adjournment by President Eric Rodgers at approximately 1:00pm**

**Thank you to our host and State President David Devous**

**Building Tour-Optional**