

Labor/Management Working Group (LMWG)
Meeting Minutes
16 April 2014

Members present:

Union: President Elin, VP Foreman
Management: Fire Chief Kramer, AC Waeschle, Carmen Morris
HRO Representative: Unavailable

EXISTING BUSINESS

1. Station Upgrades

- a. No change to STA 27/28. Bldg Manager meeting don't know who Darcy Shapley is. Need to know who the real POC is for the repairs and orders. Is Darcy involved at 27. Management will look into who is the POC. 62 progress is proceeding as planned. Network drops are approved. Gravel is in lot. Paint on exterior is an issue. Will have to do abatement for the tie in. AC Wentworth is working the issue. No change at 79. Boiler at 91 was resolved. 29 project is 300K to add the bunk rooms and open up building and remodel day room and kitchen. No change on this. No funding obligated yet. Building 1 OLF Coupeville project list of items provided to union. No funding on this yet. Bldg 1 is condemned. 1391 has been propagated. Will provide to Union with the scope of work. BFR validations of requirements as listed today. Additional resources are in a location that is occupied by Port Ops and Fire. Will have to address securing the equipment with a chain link fence. Management will address the question. No tie in with bldg 1. Trailers are an option at this time. Concerned with trailer lasting in this area due to weather. (6/19)
- b. NSE Chain Link Fence (7/17)
- c. Bremerton BLDG 435 was #1 and now bumped to #2 due to repairs needed for BLDG 431. Plans still exist. East West configuration. There were some counter plans submitted due to main entry going through into the living quarters. Is currently the main entrance. 100% plans are supposed to be out. Union needs to follow up with the 100% plans. Sta 62 is complete. Furniture is on back order. Exterior is painted. No movement on Sta 79 kitchen project. Sta 29 is funded and awarded. Discussion regarding a precon meeting that the union has not been made apprised, of the meeting, scheduled for 1400 at NSE Bldg. 2000. Not doing a chain link fence in NSE storage bldg. . 61 remediation was awarded. Only supposed to take 2 weeks once it is mobilized. Underlying issue has been corrected. Scuttles have been removed. (10/16)
- e. Station 61 mold remediation moving head, walls being textured. Sta 27 100% design expected next month. Everett going forward. Scheduled to start in the later part of Dec and finishing in early part of Feb, supposed to be a 6 week project. Cost for Everett not an exterior remodel so costs are not as high. Final building meeting supposed to be next week. Sta 29 some of the doors there replacing with cypher lock door and removing the security entrance door. Door between hallway to fire station show into bedroom. Want to make sure cypher locks are part of the external doors. 79/62 no movement on the kitchen. Furniture arrived for Sta 62. Desks available for use for the inspectors. Inspectors said they were too small. Previous desk were told by the prevention staff that they did not need it and it was reallocated. Two desks at Sta 62 now. QOL order desks in last FY. Sta 28 egress project from the bunkroom to

- the back deck down an external ladder on the side of the building. Having to leave AC Spaulding's office unlocked as alternate egress. Only one known is the hose tower ladder. Question is why it was approved. Need to have prevention look at the compliance of the egress. (11/20)
- f. 27 status quo. 28 funded the ladder and project is completed. FP Fernaays discussed egress at station 28. FP Bernhard, Ken Swartz and FP Fernaays did a walk through determined it is a mixed facility. Life safety code requires two primary means of escape. FP Engineer determined with FP Chief determined that requirement is met. Union alleges that the Ladder to the roof is not legal. Unless there is major renovation done it is still treated as an existing building. Has to be a means of escape not egress. Management request union send documents that refute this. Sta 61 Additional mold found in back corner of facility. NAVFAC approached contractor to mediate the migration of mold. Silver bullet was submitted to fix that. Lockers were moved back. Management will follow up on when the spaces are turned over to us. Everett project started. Crew are in the barracks. ID alerting radios or captains carry assigned radios. Only way to change the executing the alerting is to do at dispatching which is a change to working conditions for the dispatchers. We will have the captains carry the radios. If project extends out then will revisit the radios. OLF has been funded. No date on when they will start. They are going to demolish the tower. They are going to repair bldg. 1. And allow them to move back in until the building renovation is done. This is a MILCON project. (12/18)
 - g. Everett project is ongoing. DC went through on a site visit on the 14th. Still tracking for Feb 11th. No heat in office for inspector's office at station 62. Need to put a work request in for heat the office. All other projects status quo. Station 61 NAVFAC waiting for contractors. Will follow up on 61 and Seabee self-help project. (1/15)
 - h. Everett moved in. Discussed the punch list. 27 meeting tomorrow at 1200 to go over plan review with construction team. Spaulding, Darcy and Elin will attend. All other projects status quo. 62 has a work request in for heating. 61 mold project done and signed back over. 63 unmanned fitness center approved. Were given instructions yesterday. (2/19)
 - i. 29 musty air issues. Work order should be put in. 62 ribbon cutting good. Mold at 62 in bathroom is not mold. Comparing it to a flood zone. 61 bunkroom mold not a concern. Tile at 61 has cracking tile issue and sewage gas smell in showers. 62 has drain flies and is aware of it and is being handled. Has there been a new work order put in and pursue issue with NAVFAC. (4/16)
 - j. Looking into air return at 29. AC Steil in obtaining an update on that at this time and working with NAVFAC. It is being addressed at the installation. Will provide an update later today. (Repairs Complete) 62 sewer gas smell and flies has been resolved. 61 bathroom tile is an issue and have sewer gas smell. Will bring up tomorrow to Keith Moss. Tickets are being put in and getting filled and happens again. Sent Union 61 plan for the epoxy replacement. 61 project will need a place to put equipment to move. Will bring up how to store items. Capt. Zwolfer asked about renovation projects at station 79 and was told about the minor project and no major projects done. No promises on the meeting they are doing an overview of NBK projects with 79 remodel. No movement on 27. Stove parts were ordered. Still have no accurate oven at 27. Class B requirements on the stove through EJB. Stove has been there 12-14 years. Waeschle suggested a QOL program find like item for replacement or submit a request have someone come in and service the stove. 91 AC units. We put the request into N8 and we had the energy personnel denied it. N8 said that blinds are a facility maintenance issue and won't approve it. Contract specifies with other living quarters.

Management supports it internally. N8 has to approve the purchase it. Will work with AC Spaulding. On QOL(5/21)

2. OT/LS Review

- a. No impact either way. Has been a morale boost. Discover program is not working to process it. Will work with N8 on this issue. Bremerton OT will be high due to several employees out. (5/15)
- c. Was able to pull the data but have not be able to work the data out. Will be able to provide next month. (6/19)
- d. Not reviewed. (7/17)
- e. Finished up FY. Reviewed over all percentages. OT reduction is significant. SL has reduced some. (10/16)
- f. Reviewed OT percentages. SL is down. Trend is going down still. (11/20)
- g. Reviewed OT data. Tracking well at this time. Still trending downward. (12/18)
- h. Reviewed OT data. December was down by over 2%. SL was down as well. (1/15)
- i. Reviewed SL data. Up 800 hours. Does not account for on duty injuries only for off duty injuries. Discussed off and on the job injuries. OT is the same amount of hours. Percentage is different due to FTE's. Directly related to injuries. (2/19)
- j. OT is tracking well. No concern on LS. (4/16)
- k. No concerns on either. (5/21)

3. OLF Military assignments

- a. When did the original agreement it was two-fold. In station when no flight ops. When MIL on leave cover in voluntary to cover flight ops. Revisit our personnel doing things at OLF. MILCON project to bring facility up to UFC. Agreement states that they don't fly if they don't schedule it three days out when we can't cover it. No flying if no volunteers to provide coverage. Can an addendum be added? HRO will check if possible. Agreement is vague. Training has been ongoing. The MIL are being trained. FF are not following through with the training. Issues with training that is not on the schedule/training schedule does not happen. Individuals coming up can sometimes be fit in. Union concern is that it is not a FF job to train a FF it is a Leads or Captains job. Sign off have to be one level above them for certification. The training is not happening at WI for the OLF MIL pers. Need Union to come back with specifics on what is not happening with the training. Union wants to clarify the agreement. Need to send original agreement to Patty Smith to review. Do not have a location to go to. Bldg. 2709 has a restroom and sitting area. Until facility fix don't force them to work due to situation of bldg. 1 being shut down. They are staying in Bldg. 2709. Management will go back and look at previous practice before agreement in respect to bldg. 1. What are we doing differently now? (2/19)
- b. Still don't have EMT. LPO is transferring in Oct along with another one. We agreed they would pursue them and took the class but they did not pass the class. Still issues with training. It's operational work assignment. Can pull them in training. MILPERS are not having their LPO holding them accountable. Integration is still a battle. Was told it was getting better. Hoping when a training officer is in place will help. (4/16)
- c. Still waiting on notification to talk about the integration movement of the LPO office. No notification of when new LPO will be arriving. (5/21)

4. Everett Airfield / WI Training for shipboard.

- a. Plan to get shipboard training in accordance with HPD Advisory.(7/17)

- b. Training has put together the plan. Will not be implemented until the HPD Advisory has been released. Will come out and be 20 hours a year. Only one live fire required. Night fire requirement will be gone. (10/16)
 - c. Have put together a proposal and are waiting on the advisory to come down. Trying to get down for 6 hours a month to 20 hours a year. CNIC was in agreeance Naval Reactor is not in agreeance with it. Want to apply the NFPA standard. Would reduce it to 34 hours a year. Shouldn't all of the radiological training that John Burch gives count as well. (11/20)
 - d. Still waiting for guidance. (12/18)
 - e. Status quo. (1/15)
 - f. Status quo. Still waiting on HQ guidance on shipboard training.(2/19)
 - g. Finally got the shipboard reduced. Gong to personnel assigned to WI will be assigned the class room duty task. They will go up 18 hrs. training a year. When they rotate to Everett then they can get the shipboard familiarization. Spread off across year is 1.5 hours a month. Should balance out. ESAM tracks by class. Trying to get it revised to track by hour. Can implement it once talk about it. Have not added WI to score card yet. Training is starting everywhere else 1April forward. (4/16)
 - h. Now with the reduction 18 hours/10 hours on board for the year. WI will only do class room and will do onboard when go to Everett on a quarterly rotation. All 8's are qualified to stand BC. No requirement to have supervisor on duty within the battalion. Personnel assigned to NASWI can complete on board familiarization when they are acting as Duty Chief. Training developed it to limit the impact on all employees to get the requirement. CLOSED. (5/21)
5. OWCP-Light duty
- a. Union sent Inquiry to IFF on an informal poll on fed departments on what they don for their light duty personnel. Due to sequestration they have changed their response to claims to 45 days. Takes an employee into 2 months then they move to a LWOP status. Every other employee works their full shift on light duty in the region where fire does not. Changes to schedule affect the employee. Feedback from Naval District WA works normal shift for light duty. Norfolk works 40 hour work week. There is not standard out there. Changes to schedule and causes undue financial burden on the employee. Union will continue with their poll to find a fix to the issue. He also affects annual leave and sick leave accrual.(11/20)
 - b. Went out with survey. 6 responses to how they are documenting hours. Not treated based on hours and are losing LA/LS. Might need to look at what we are doing. Might want to look at our change in the light duty current practice. Requiring them to come in M-F instead of their normal hours. Tabled to wait on more responses to the Union to present what is done in other areas. (12/18)
 - c. Response from 12/13 departments. 50/50 for 72 vice 40 hour. Union will write up a proposal and barging on how to do light duty assignments. Took 2 months to get a check from OWCP. LS/LA is not correct and pay is also incorrect. (1/15)
 - d. Still going through information with HRO and looking at processes and understand Union's concern. Union confirming HRO understanding of the accrual rate. Union wants to know why have to wait until end of the year to get the 10 hours and why can it not be received throughout the year. N8 will have to respond. It is Navy wide and has to do with how the pay roll system works. Not a fair treatment of 40 hour workers vs. 72 hour workers. N8 is going off the FMR. Union will follow up with management with an email with their concerns. (2/19)
 - e. Proposal sent to management. Union sent intent. Management replied back. If we do what union asks for we incur increase costs. When we hire behind them we are over

- budgeting them. We incur higher costs when we schedule for 24 hours but can't use them. Trying to keeping them off OWCP as much as possible. Work them on their regular schedule for 8 hours. Not just the personal issues it's also work schedule changes, OWCP paper work. Union wants to review the counter proposal. (4/16)
- f. Union gave verbal counter last week but not written. Still requesting to bargain it. Counter from Union is to leave the people on light duty if not working the full schedule then only pull light duty only on their current duty day. Union wants to sit down and have the formal discussion. Schedule will not change and will be easier to send to OWCP. Will address it to the Fire Chief. CLOSED. (5/21)
6. Navy EMS Protocols
- a. Initiative to establish Navy protocols. In final stages of being complete. Will establish a time line to be trained and understand them. There is going to be an MPD out of San Diego for all of the west coast. No longer an ER at NH Bremerton. Who will they call for a waiver or refusal? This in an enterprise wide solution. We function under the protocols of the MPD which is what our license requires. We currently test under protocol tests who will give it, how will we test on it. More to be provided when we have the information. (1/15)
- b. Management answered question on ER and MPD piece. (2/19)
- c. Who is going to provide training, protocol test, how will test on it. Currently go to the county. We will be licensed by CNIC. Currently from Jefferson County. No change in way we do business. Still call for medical control to the receiving facility. Our protocols do not end at the blue line. Call the receiving facility for refusal. Who do we call for waiver and refusal for transport? (4/16)
- d. Waiting for date and time to meet with the Union. (5/21)
7. Position Rotations (IE Driver/Captain)
- a. Approx. Jan supervisory Captain in Battalion 1 put out a rotation into the captains position that has caused multiple problems. Driver does not rotate to other stations so they can cover captain. Causing problems. Driver is an assignment as it keeps them more proficient and in line for advancement. Others want to rotate in. FF not getting as much opportunity as the Driver to promote. Some Drivers will allow the rotation others will not. Captain can chose to have a Firefighter drive and a driver fill the Firefighter. Need to mentor and coach. Make it a regular topic in management meetings. Make it a topic of the quarterly Fire Chief's briefs. (2/19)
- b. With the way the PD is written the driver will rotate to the Captain position. What are the thoughts from the floor? There are arguments for both sides. Proficient driving and knowing the vehicles. Nice to have someone second in line who knows the position. Same time need opportunity to move up. Drivers should know the rigs but the people in the apparatus program know more about it. Drivers are starting to treat position as promotion and it's owed to them. Could change PD or eliminate the PD. Think Driver should be a competitive process. Could eliminate the driver position and grandfather the current drivers. Union and management will take it up to their perspective people. (4/16)
- c. Still occurring. Union will send up language to the AC to eliminate the driver, and grandfather current drivers in. The current concern with PD is over the current language that states drivers will move into the acting Captain position. (5/21)
8. AEMT Training
- a. No training. Ended the old online OTEP. Was supposed to be in place and have not been instructed on it. Other continuing education has not happened. Terry Anderson is

- in the process of rolling out the instructor training. Done at Battalion 3 this week. CPR training was not rolled out in Jan. Need training to enter into National Registry and will need help. No official EMS all hand training on National Registry. (2/19)
- b. Union sent list of items to Management. Management sent reply back to Union. Reviewed responses. Hand delivers paperwork to DOH that processes the applications. State has an ongoing issue with losing the packages. Concern that privacy information is missing. Online OTEP has encountered problems. All the training has been exceeded. Everything is going to be compliant. Brief is being built by Bobby to do the National. Has not been released yet. Propose on Friday have the DC and EMS Chief go to Bremerton to discuss this with the Union. (4/16)
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NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Mandatory workout status
 - a. How to move forward to track. Will talk to Russ Gail to obtain tracking. Have NBK N9 that can support Mon/Wed/Fri site visit during safety week. All installations can support with the exception of Everett. (5/21)
- 2. Berry Retirement
 - a. Correction to retirement benefits. We are unable to help as CBC is correcting. CLOSED

Next meeting scheduled for 18 June 2014 at 0930 – Union Hosts