

## NET Meeting Notes 11-14-16 Submitted by Carisa Bohus, Buckman Neighbor

### Action Items

1. Rie will check on BCA meeting place for Dec 8 Thursday, so we can meet right before BCA meeting
2. Will does the Plan B on meeting place. If the BCA does not work out, Will promises to find a place to meet, 2nd Monday
3. Rie will also check on BCA meeting place 2nd thurs in January, if we don't get it coordinated in Dec.
4. Carisa will plan knot practice
5. Michelle will bring rope remnants for practice knots
6. Chris will do meeting announcement

### Meeting Notes

NET Members: Chris, Jiro, Rie, Tanya, Courtney, Will, and Margaret. New person: Michelle from Kerns. Carisa, Buckman neighborhood note taker.

We met at Martha's and it was a tough venue. Hard to hear, awkward tables. Nice location! It was good to see it. We lamented the promise of a community room that didn't happen. There was a lot of discussion on another meeting location. Other ideas for places to meet are Buckman School, SE Uplift, Multnomah County Building on MLK and Hawthorne, as well as moving the meeting around.

Chris put the information out again that he is not able to lead this group. Need new leadership. Tanya said she could assist, and Rie said she could help. Carisa suggested we each take a meeting and rotate leadership. I forget who, Jiro? suggested we pick the meeting location, see who shows up, and decide on leadership as a practice for an emergency event.

**Next meeting:** It will be in a new location. There will be a 20-minute knots practice. Carisa will cull notes for many already-thought-of-great-ideas for this group. We will sort and prioritize for the next meeting contents. We have many things to choose from, we have radios to practice with, we've talked about the fact we have a lot of schools in our area, we've talked about neighborhood presence, coordination with BEECN, trainings. We can tag onto, or mimic some of the other more active NET groups.

Discussion on what is Volunteer Time, as required by NET? Courtney was on call for the last big epic storm that did not turn out to be all that. She wondered if being "on standby" was counted as volunteer. YES! Standby is considered to be "Deployment." Example of fire fighters who are on duty 24 hours, not just when they are fighting fires. Jiro recommends taking a small chair when you are standby or deployed to a specific location.

**Don't forget! Log your hours! This meeting counts.**

Other volunteer opportunities are being victims, and SUV (spontaneous u? volunteer) at a practice. How can we get word out about these events? Rie recently attended one of the events. We have talked about how great they are as introduction to emergency behavior.

There were many discussions on emergencies from real life we might deal with, for instance the recent gas leak that led to a mass explosion over on NW 23rd. There is a big sinkhole in a city in Japan right now, how the situation was handled, like re-routing buses and traffic around the hole. The OPB documentary about the Vanport Flood, a local event. Current riots in NW. The most common emergency we will likely deal with are wind storms and ice storms.

To find our Buckman NET website: <https://portlandprepares.org/> and then go to Find Your Team tab at the top right. It is not totally populated, but functional! Michelle said she might be able to work on the web site.

Fund raising came up and we don't handle money, even though we need it to do practices. The Neighborhood Assoc can hold fund raisers and allocate funds on our behalf. Hardware stores, and perhaps other vendors in the area might help us with donations for supplies to do exercises. Sponsors?

Neighborhood watches were described and discussed. Also some curiosity about how to appropriately communicate with police and fire departments in case of emergency. To get in touch with your neighbors, from previous meetings the place to start is the city program Map Your Neighborhood, at [Where to Get Map Your Neighborhood Materials | PREP - Neighbor by Neighbor, Block by Block](#)