

**Stanislaus County
Emergency Medical Services Committee
December 13, 2018
Regular Meeting Minutes**

Location: Health Education and Conference Center
McHenry Village
1700 McHenry Ave., #60B
Modesto, CA 95350

Time: 2:00 PM

Committee Members Present: Paul Baxter, Dr. Bruce Lavery, Mary Ann Lee, Toby Wells, Robert Ott, Dr. Niamh Seavy, Dan Cummins, Bryan Whitemyer, Richard Murdock

Committee Members Absent: Sharon Young

Guests: Shannon Williams, Barry Hurd, Matt O'Leary, Deb Thrasher, Robert Ryland, Cindy Woolston, Karin Hennings, Dennis Brazil, Christina Powers, David Dalman, John McCormick

Staff: Lance Doyle – Executive Director, Jim Whitworth – QI/Trauma Coordinator, Susan Watson – Executive Secretary/ Financial Services Assistant

1. Welcome and Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM by Chairman Paul Baxter with a quorum of eight members present.

2. Introductions

Committee members, Agency staff, and audience provided introductions.

3. Review and Approval of Agenda

Lance Doyle requested to swap the order of Agenda items #10 and #11.

M/S/C (Lavery/Wells) To approve the agenda as written and to change the order of Items #10 and Item #11 as requested.

Vote: 8-0

Motion Passed

4. Correspondence

There were three pieces of correspondence:

- a. Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors letter, dated July 31, 2018, appointing Chief Richard Murdock to the Committee for a term beginning 7/31/10 and expiring on 12/31/2020
- b. Mountain-Valley EMS Agency letter, dated November 5, 2018, requesting reappointment of the following members, each of whom has agreed to another 3-year term:
 - 1) Robert Ott (Fire District Board of Directors)
 - 2) Dan Cummins (Hospital District Board of Directors)
 - 3) Dr. Niamh Seavy (Stanislaus County Medical Society)
 - 4) Sharon Young (Managed Care)
- c. Mountain-Valley EMS Agency letter, dated November 5, 2018, reporting the resignation of Stephen Sterner as a representative of Managed Care and requesting to vacate his position on the Committee.

5. Public Comment Period

None.

6. Approval of Consent Calendar

M/S/C (Wells/Seavy) To approve the consent calendar items as submitted.

Vote: 8-0

Motion Passed

7. Committee Reports

a) System Status – Cindy Woolston

The System Status group met this past Friday. There were not any changes or discussion on the standing agenda items. An update of the RFP process was provided. Future meetings will occur on Thursdays. The Kaiser strike was also discussed.

b) SCHEPC – Shannon Williams

The Pediatric Surge Plan is complete and in its final stages of review by Coalition members. The goal of the plan is to develop some strategies and resources to address the first 36 hours of an unusual event where the healthcare system can be overwhelmed with pediatric patients. The next step is to begin socializing the plan to create awareness of the plan's existence. There will be some presentations as well as an exercise to test the provisions of the plan.

c) OES – Shannon Williams

The new training schedule is posted on the OES website. One of the trainings will be Disaster Cost Recovery Training to help community partners learn what to look for before disasters to help take care of their organizations in the even they receive any form of disaster assistance grants.

8. Agency Medical Director

Lance Doyle reported the resignation of Dr. Katherine Shafer as she took a full-time Medical Director position with San Joaquin County EMS Agency in early September 2018. Dr. Kevin Mackey is presently the Interim Agency Medical Director and a recruitment will be conducted to find a full-time permanent medical director.

9. Public Response Compliance Reports

Lance Doyle explained the content and format of the Agency's Public Response Compliance Reports which are created monthly and posted on the Agency website. These reports are also presented periodically to the Agency's JPA Board of Directors as well as the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors.

These reports are a part of the response time compliance accountability for providers during the present contract extension period while fines and penalties are not being invoiced nor collected.

Let the record show the arrival of Committee member Mary Ann Lee at 2:15 PM.

10. RFP Update

Lance Doyle updated the Committee on the loss of the previously approved agreement with The Abaris Group for EMS consulting services to help develop the RFP for Emergency Ground Ambulance Service in Stanislaus County. Additional steps were taken to recruit and ultimately secure the present agreement with EndPoint EMS Consulting. Since that time the RFP has been produced. It has been approved by the State EMS Authority.

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As of this meeting, the RFP was still a confidential document and not available for public release until after approval by the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors. Lance Doyle provided a high-level summary presentation of the RFP process, goals, and document provisions.

M/S/C (Lee/Murdock) To recommend approval of the RFP.

Vote: 9-0

Motion Passed

11. Change to Non-Exclusive Operating Areas

Lance Doyle presented the proposed recommendation to change the presently non-exclusive operating areas of Zones B and C to be included in the response area cited in the RFP.

M/S/C (Murdock/Cummins) To recommend approval of the change to Non-Exclusive Operating Areas.

Vote: 9-0

Motion Passed

Let the record show Richard Murdock recognized Barry Hurd for his Certificate of Commendation from the State EMS Authority.

12. Next Regular Meeting

Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 2:00 PM, Health Education and Conference Center, McHenry Village.

13. Adjournment

Chairman Baxter adjourned the meeting at 2:59 PM.