

**Stanislaus County
Emergency Medical Services Committee
March 8, 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, Dan Cummins, Dr. Bruce Laverty, Mary Ann Lee, Stephen Sterner, Toby Wells, Bryan Whitemyer, Robert Ott, Sharon Young

Committee Members Absent: Dr. Niamh Seavy

Guests: Cindy Woolston, Deb Thrasher, Erik Klevmyer, Barry Hurd, Mike Skinner, Richard Murdock, Dave Dalman, John Korgan, Mike Miller, Tim Tietjen.

Staff: Jim Whitworth – EMS Critical Care Coordinator, Tom Morton – Data Analyst/Communications 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 nine members present.

2. Introductions

Committee members, Agency staff, and audience provided introductions.

3. Review and Approval of Agenda

Chairman Baxter requested an update on the EMS Strategic Plan Process be provided during the Public Comment Period.

M/S/C (Cummins/Sterner) To approve the agenda as written.

Vote: 9-0

Motion Passed

4. Correspondence

None.

5. Public Comment Period

Mary Ann Lee, Richard Murdock and Deb Thrasher explained the coordination of the EMS Strategic Plan process continues between MVEMSA and County leadership. A stakeholder meeting is being planned as well as briefings for the Health Executives and the Board of Supervisors. The stakeholder meeting for Fire and Ambulance Providers is scheduled for March 28, 2018. An update will be provided to the EMSC at the June 2018 meeting.

6. Approval of Consent Calendar

Chairman Baxter requested an explanation of the increased ambulance fines reflected in the System Enhancement Fund report. Susan Watson cited the one-time delay in invoicing due to some investigation into some calls that was necessary as a result of the CAD upgrade at AMR.

M/S/C (Lee/Whitemyer) To approve the consent calendar items as submitted.

Vote: 9-0

Motion Passed

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7. **Committee Reports**

- a) **System Status** – Cindy Woolston
 No report. The March 2018 meeting was canceled. The next meeting is scheduled for April 2018.
- b) **SCHEPC** – Jim Whitworth
 - 1) SCHEPC met this week. Pre-planning for the November Statewide Medical Health Exercise has begun.
 - 2) The subcommittee working on pediatric surge continues to identify gaps in the County.
- c) **OES** – Richard Murdock
 No Report.

8. **System Enhancement Fund Application**

Tom Morton presented the request from MVEMSA for System Enhancement Funds to be used for FirstWatch ePCR Data Integration for the First Responder ALS Fire Agencies. The request in the amount of \$159,687 will complete the FirstWatch ePCR data integration in the County.

Committee discussion addressed the integrity of the System, clarified how this request is different from previous uses of System Enhancement Funds for ePCR data integrations, and the purpose of the System Enhancement funds as described in policy.

M/S/C (Cummins/Laverty) To recommend the System Enhancement Fund Application from MVEMSA for FirstWatch ePCR Data Integration for First Responder ALS Fire Agencies be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

Vote: 9-0

Motion Passed

9. **Ketamine Study**

Jim Whitworth reviewed the status of the study to administer Ketamine as a pain medication for trauma patients. Agency Assistant Medical Director, Dr. Mackey developed strict guidelines and protocols. MVEMSA is hosting the study for the State.

As of February 1, 2018 participating providers in Stanislaus County include AMR, Oak Valley District Ambulance, Stanislaus Consolidated Fire Protection District and Modesto Fire Department. As of March 7, 2018 MVEMSA has collected and reviewed eleven cases. Nine of these were transported directly to the Emergency Department and two were transferred to an air ambulance provider.

A written report was provided to the Committee members demonstrating the statistics of the pilot study to date.

10. **Election of 2018 Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson**

M/S/C (Whitemyer/Laverty) To elect Paul Baxter as the 2018 Chairperson and Mary Ann Lee as the 2018 Vice-Chairperson.

Vote: 9-0

Motion Passed

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11. Next Regular Meeting

Thursday, June 14, 2018 at 2:00 pm

12. Adjournment

Chairman Baxter adjourned the meeting at 2:37 pm.