SIERRA-SACRAMENTO VALLEY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AGENCY



Serving the counties of Placer, Yuba, Sutter, Nevada, Colusa, Butte, Shasta, Tehama, Siskiyou

<u>MINUTES</u>

JOINT POWERS AGENCY BOARD – BI-MONTHLY MEETING

Friday, November 4, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

Leonard Moty Dennis Garton Hank Weston Ron Sullenger Denise Carter Brandon Criss Jim Holmes Bill Connelly

MEMBERS ABSENT Roger Abe

EX-OFFICIO MEMBER Victoria Pinette

LEGAL COUNSEL None

OTHERS PRESENT

John Lord Jennie Guerrero Amy Boryczko Steve Giusti Troy Falck Mark Belden Alex Bumpus Shasta County Tehama County Nevada County Sutter County Colusa County Siskiyou County Placer County Butte County

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A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Supervisor Moty called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. and led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Everyone present introduced themselves.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Supervisor Holmes moved to approve the agenda as written. Supervisor Carter seconded. Motion approved.

D. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Supervisor Moty asked the public if anyone would like to speak to an issue that is not on the agenda. None was forthcoming.

E. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS -

There were no Board Member announcements.

F. CONSENT AGENDA

Supervisor Holmes moved to approve the Consent Agenda as written. Supervisor Carter seconded. Motion approved.

- G. **INFORMATION UPDATE** Supervisor Connelly arrived at 1:13pm, during Item F6.
 - 1. Response times
 - Response times look good everywhere except for Corning. Kristy Harlan is working with St. Elizabeth's on that. They've been unsuccessful moving ambulances around, and are adding another part-time unit to get the response times better. Vickie will be meeting with the Operations Manager and Hospital personnel to work on this.
 - Colusa is doing better. Williams is struggling.
 - 2. Audit -
 - The Auditors were at S-SV in September and were provided with everything they needed/asked for.



- The Draft Audit should be complete in early December, and should be brought before the Board in January.
- The Board approved OPEB contributions have been made. There should only be about \$20,500 in the accrued long term liability at this point. There will still be the annual contribution.
- 3. Placer County EMS Improvement Fund –update
 - This fund was established through the AMR contract. AMR contributes \$150K to S-SV, and S-SV turns around and grants these funds to the First Responders that fall within AMR's EOA and Placer County.
 - The Committee recently met and granted funding for equipment and EMS system improvements to: Rocklin, Loomis, and Placer Hills.
 - There was also an information inquiry for narcotic lock boxes that Roseville Fire Department requested.
 - This funding will help start the ALS program in Loomis. Rocklin received funding for 2 LUCAS (mechanical CPR) devices, and Placer Hills received a simulated mannequin to practice their skills.
 - Loomis Fire Protection District has an application in for consolidation with South Placer, which is why they're getting ALS.

4. Introduction of new employee- Miranda Hill

- Miranda is the new Certification Specialist.
- She is a part-time employee.
- She has significant experience working with the Colusa County HPP grant.

5. RDMHS Contract – update

- When Kevin Perry resigned, Vickie discussed with the Board continuing this grant/position. In Kevin's exit interview he indicated that this was a part-time position at best.
- John Lord has assumed most of these duties. The State is happy with this arrangement, as are the counties. Vickie recommended continuing with the grant.

6. State EMS Data System Requirements

- This is a National Data set that all providers are required to move to by 1/1/17.
- There isn't a single vendor in the S-SV region; S-SV is prohibited by law to state there has to be a single vendor.
- Some providers use the S-SV vendor and some don't, but they all must be compliant. This is a State requirement. If there are some vendors that are not compliant by January, S-SV will enter into discussion to ensure they are making progress towards compliance.



• The data drives the system and is reviewed to make system improvements, such as determined which skills or medications are causing patient improvement. S-SV can also compare themselves to other areas as well as share their data with everyone else.

7. CARES Project

- This is a Cardiac Arrest Registry to Enhance Survival. S-SV is not currently participating in this, but some LEMSAs are.
- This is a National system. They will no longer accept data from a single LEMSA, it has to be from the State.
- The LEMSAs that are participating have really good feedback. This will probably be budgeted in the next fiscal year, but will be a nominal fee based on population (probably around \$5K).
- This will allow tracking of cardiac patients and the care they receive in the field as well as in the hospitals.

H. OLD BUSINESS -

1. Bylaws change to Chair and Vice Chair serving a single year to serving 2 years – for approval. Supervisor Weston moved to approve the Bylaws change. Supervisor Carter seconded. Motion approved.

I. NEW BUSINESS

- Resolution to modify the amount and allow the Regional Executive Director to sign the CalFire Cooperative Fire Programs Fire Protection Reimbursement for Siskiyou County

 for approval- Supervisor Carter made a motion to approve. Supervisor Sullenger seconded. Motion approved.
- Resolution memorializing the CalPERS health insurance amendment providing employees with 100% of the Kaiser Sacramento rate for active employees, 50% for dependents and 100% of the Kaiser Sacramento Medicare rate for retirees and 50% of the Kaiser Sacramento Medicare rate for retiree dependents - for approval -Supervisor Holmes made a motion to approve. Supervisor Weston seconded. Motion approved.

J. EMCC/COUNTY COMMITTEE REPORTS

This report was included in the Board's packet.

- Vickie stated that Supervisor Criss was at the Siskiyou EMAG. They are getting a new helicopter there stationed at the airport in Montague.
- Supervisor Criss stated that he asked to have the Siskiyou Board let S-SV approve the Ambulance service contracts rather than the Siskiyou Board doing it as well.



- Supervisor Carter stated that Colusa County used to get Indian gaming money. At one point they had given the Enloe Foundation \$13K towards a new ambulance. Recently, rather than turning that money back over to the casino, the Indian gaming board allowed the foundation to use the money for a powered gurney.
- No further report was given.

Bi-County EMCC:

- July 20, 2016 8:30 am 9:00 am
- Bi County Ambulance Operations Office
- Annual EMCC Report Alex and Ron advised that the report was complete and that they would be sending it out for the committee to review with the intention on finalizing it during the next meeting prior to the submission to the BOS and S-SV EMS
- Both Yuba and Sutter Public Health Departments have received approval for their 2016/2017 FY HPP and PHEP grants. There is no HPP meeting today (cancelled)
- CHP thanked the prehospital and hospital providers that assisted with their officer who was recently involved in an MVA. She was transported by Bi County to Rideout where she was treated. She had a broken pelvis and is now at home recovering.
- There were a few recent smaller MCIs, no significant issues identified.
 - Provided a report on various S-SV EMS related matters (MCC report, data transition, NIO trial study, RDMHS position and the UCDMC/S-SV EMS/NCEMS pediatric grant) The committee agreed to propose bylaws changes reducing the number of meetings to a minimum of 4 per year (with the intention of reducing them to bi-monthly initially). Committee members were requested to evaluate the current bylaws and provide any additional recommended changes before they are sent to the counties for county counsel & BOS approval
- 8:30 am 9:00 am
- Incident Review Discussed the local response to the recent Air Force U-2 plane crash in Sutter County. Response went well with good integration of military resources.
- Public Health Received HPP and PHEP grant approval, working on grant deliverables. Sutter County will hold a drive through Flu Clinic at Live Oak High School on 10/22/16.
- Upcoming Exercises Suter-Yuba TTX will be held 10/20/2016 in preparation for the November Statewide Medical & Health Exercise.
- S-SV EMS Agency Report Provided an update on S-SV EMS pertinent information.
- Annual EMCC Report Still working on finalizing report utilizing 2015 calendar year data. Have not received information from a few fire departments for the report, plan is to finalize the report without that information.
- EMCC Improvement Still working on revising the committee bylaws, reducing the meeting frequency and other committee improvements. Will be discussing/clarifying suggested bylaws changes with Yuba and Sutter County Councils.
 - Next Meeting November 16, 2016.



Placer :

The S-SV report included Medical Control policies, response times, Ambulance Advisory Committee equipment distributions, Narcan policies for law enforcement and Sutter Roseville Trauma Review.

Public Health reported they are now able to test for Zika virus; there will be no medical countermeasures review this year. North Tahoe FPD developed an active shooter policy, including a warm zone distinction. They were denied grant funds for ballistic vests. Sutter Roseville announced their upcoming drill in November; they were able to secure grant funding for 8 ballistic vests for staff. They will be breaking ground on a new 3 story tower by year-end. All hospitals report increasing mental health patient issues and elderly psych increase.

- November 2, 2016, 10:00 am 11:00 am
- Quorum was present
- Mental Health Data Discussion Nothing new to report per Dr. Oldham.
- Public Health Emergency Preparedness HPP and PHEP budgets have been approved for 2016/2017, will be participating in the Statewide Medical & Health Exercise (moved to November 30th locally, SRMC Active Shooter MCI exercise).
- Fire/EMS active shooter response discussion by Todd Conradson some departments have requested funds from the Homeland Security Grant for ballistic protection for their personnel, but there is a lack of coordination/discussion between law enforcement and FD/EMS in Placer County regarding responding to these type of incidents. Still no clear/consistent agreement on responsibilities and operations/integration during these types of incidents. Will be discussed further at the chief's level to start working on consistent countywide response guidelines.
- Jason Brooks provided an S-SV EMS MCC Update.
- Provided several additional EMS updates to the committee.
- Hospital continuum of care issues all hospitals were present and discussed their continued impact from psych patients and their inability to get them placed at psych facilities. Hospitals are starting to see an increase in flu related visits/admissions. Had a short discussion on the pending APOD/APOT guidelines. We will provide additional information to prehospital and hospital personnel once the guidelines are finalized. Some Sacramento County EMS providers are starting to track APOT using a written form.
- No incident reports/reviews.
- No other significant roundtable items discussed. No specific EMS/ambulance issues or concerns.

Shasta/Tehama:

The July 14th meeting was the second joint EMAG meeting between Shasta and Tehama Counties. The meeting was conducted at St. Elizabeth Hospital and was well attended (28 attendees).

• S-SV-provided an update on the series of recent MCI that have taken place throughout the region and the planned hot-washes to be conducted for the events.



- John C. Lord reported that Kevin Perry has left S-SV EMS at that he would be serving as the interim RDMHS until further notice.
- The group discussed the progress regarding providing Critical Incident Stress De-briefing to responders across all disciplines. Mike Loew from Redding Fire Department is serving as program lead. Although he was unable to attend the meeting. He did report to S-SV that he was successful in scheduling a local class for "trainers" that filled up very quickly (38 registrants including 8 from RPD). Progress has been good and the group agrees that it's moving more quickly than anticipated.
- S-SV EMS reported on the First Active Shooter Meeting that was held and coordinated by S-SV at City of Redding City Hall. The meeting was very well attended and is focusing on EMS, Fire, Law and other responders, including the Control Facilities coordinating their response efforts, forming "force protection" teams (for patient rescue) and communication needs. Representatives also attended from Butte, Siskiyou and other counties in order to replicate the model being created by the Shasta/Tehama teams.
- Cal-Fire reported they are at peak staffing. They along with hospitals and EMS have implemented "Triage Training Days."
- Cal-Fire hoping to coordinate efforts with PH under HPP to purchase Tourniquets and clot kits.
- Cal-Fire reported they now have two new Communications Operators at the ECC. They now have a second position at the center providing needed back-up to the primary dispatcher.
- 29 ballistic vests have been received in Tehama County for Fire and EMS.
- A recent "State Alert" regarding the potential for threats against First Responders was reviewed and discussed by the EMAG Group.
- Shasta and Tehama PH reported on staff changes at their departments and the preparations for the State Exercise.
- Shasta County PH inquired about a possible future exercise regarding a Chem-Pak deployment. This item was taken under advisory for further discussion and may be addressed at the next RDMHS meeting.
- The October 13th meeting was the third joint EMAG meeting between Shasta and Tehama Counties. The meeting was conducted at SSV-EMS Redding Office. Unfortunately, the meeting was not well attended.
- S-SV EMS provided an update on the series of recent MCI that have taken place throughout the region and reported on the follow-up currently taking place with the 3 hospitals in S. Oregon following the "Hornbrook Incident."
- After consultation with the State of California S-SV determined that John Lord will assume the permanent RDMHS for Region III, at least through the fiscal year.
- The group discussed the progress related to providing Critical Incident Stress De-briefing to responders across all disciplines. The group received a report that indicated that the training that was held for this training was very well attended with much positive feedback.



- S-SV EMS and the Shasta EMS providers provided the group with an update on the active shooter trainings that have been ongoing with law and the local hospitals. A recent tabletop exercise was conducted at the Redding S-SV Office and was very well attended.
- Cal-Fire provided an update on the upgrades to their ECC.
- Cal-Fire reported they now have two new Communications Operators at the ECC. They now have a second position at the center providing needed back-up to the primary dispatcher.
- 29 ballistic vests have been received in Tehama County for Fire and EMS.
- Shasta and Tehama PH reported on staff changes at their departments and the preparations for the State Exercise.
- Shasta County PH did not attend the EMAG Meeting.
- John Lord provided the group an update regarding the status of Burney's Ambulance. They currently are searching for a new Chief and have assigned a new EMS Coordinator. ALS staffing continues to be a challenge, but they also continue to notify Cal-Fire ECC when responding if they are ALS or BLS (Medic 17 = ALS unit, Ambulance 17 = BLS unit).
- Redding Fire Dept. reported that they have 3 positions open for Fire Captain but have minimal internal applications and are now looking outside the department.
- John Lord reminded the group to be aware that any law enforcement agency wishing to carry Narcan must apply and be approved by the LEMSA.

<u>Siskiyou</u>:

- S-SV provided an update, emphasizing the data requirements for 1/1/17.
- EMTALA issues regarding helipad use for ambulance transfers discussed
- Fairchild held an EMS Appreciation over 100 attendees
- Butte Valley reported they have acquired an additional ambulance
- Mt. Shasta reported increased responses into Etna as their only paramedic is at training
- The air ambulances are encouraging early activation
- Air Methods reported their staff is hired and the building is almost complete for operations to begin in Montague

Butte:

- S-SV provided an update on the transition of the air coordination center to Cal-Fire in Oroville. No significant problems have been reported.
 - Cal-Fire ECC agreed and reported the transition had gone very smoothly.
 - Cal Fire reported that they have encountered several instances where flight requests were delayed due to the fact that they had to call several providers in order to determine their availability. Cal-Fire requested, and Enloe Flight Care agreed that it would be better, and eliminate phone call delays, if Cal-Fire could use EMResource as the primary dispatch tool when selecting available aircraft. After much discussion, the question was put to the group for consideration. The group voted unanimously to request that S-SV EMS explore the feasibility of using EMResource as the primary tool for identifying the



closest available aircraft for flight requests. S-SV agreed to consider the matter.

- John G. has vacated his position as the OES Coordinator for Butte County. Cindy Dunsmore will be serving as interim coordinator until such time as a replacement is selected.
- Enloe hospital reported that EMS crews would be transitioned from 24 hour shifts to 12 hour shifts.
- Oroville hospital announced plans to begin construction on a new 5 level tower to house 150 new beds. They plan on completion sometime in 2018.
- Rideout reports their helipad should be operational by 10/1/16.
- Indian Health reports construction of their new Chico Clinic is underway. Now employing over 300 people.
- In the absence of recent EMAG presentations, PH suggested substituting the presentation with an "EMS Safety" related topic. Group discussed.
- Butte OES reported that they conducted a field exercise involving the evacuation of the town of Paradise. Drill went very well.

K. LEGISLATION

• Vickie stated there were no new updates.

L. MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- There are several things in the works that Dr. Falck will follow-up on next year.
- As of Wednesday, there are 3996 Zika cases in the US. All but 139 of those cases were travelers to Central and South America that had returned. Only 139 were transmitted in the US, and all of those were in Florida.

M. CORRESPONDENCE

Available at the meeting.

N. S-SV EMS AGENCY ACTIVITIES

Noted.

O. NEXT JPA GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

The next JPA Governing Board of Directors meeting is on Friday, January 13, 2017, 1pm-3pm, at 5995 Pacific St., Rocklin, CA.

P. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:24 p.m.



Respectfully submitted,

Amy Boryczko, Clerk to the Board

Date

Leonard Moty, Chairman

Date