

County of Santa Cruz

HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY

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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROGRAM

EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMISSION

DATE:	May 15, 2017	<u>TIME</u> :	8:30 AM	
PLACE: EMS Agency Basement, 1080 Emeline Ave., Santa Cruz				
MINUTES				

ITEM:

- 1. Call to Order/Establish Quorum, Review/Correct Agenda, Minutes from March-[8:30 am]
- 2. Written Correspondence Report [8:35 am]
- 3. Oral Communications [8:40 am]:
 - **3.1.** Adam Galotti: Chief Shop steward of the AMR paramedic union, UEMSW/AFSCME Local 4911, voicing concerns about AMR's shortage of paramedics and the impact on current employees, as well as their concerns about safety, and a feeling that AMR has done less than expected to resolve the situation.
 - **3.2.** Casey Vanier: Labor Representative of UEMSW/AFSCME Local 4911, voicing similar concerns and a desire for solutions and action for immediate relief.
 - **3.3.** Mitch Long, Paramedic: voicing similar concerns about safety, requesting more time at the hospital and for EMTs in the alternate staffing schedule to be allowed to provide patient care.
 - **3.4.** David Alcamo, Paramedic: voiced similar concerns and added that the current system provides mutual aid assistance to Monterey, increase overall call volume that isn't reciprocated.
 - **3.5.** Commissioners Kwan, McIntyre, Benedict, and Barry mentioned not hearing about this previously, and Commissioner Barry requested the union provide a list of solution-driven recommendations. Commissioner Angell recommended this be taken under consideration by the RFP Committee.
 - **3.6.** Commissioner Yellin voiced concern that he is receiving emails from medical staff about the challenges between the ED at Dominican and the Behavioral Health facility, and that he is working to put together a group to discuss their concerns.
 - **3.7.** Michael Baulch quelled a rumor that Urban Shield would be in Santa Cruz County this year: it will not.
- 4. EMS Administrator Report
 - **4.1.** TAG/Ambulance Contract Implementation
 - 4.2. Hospital Run Data: moved to email only, remove from agenda
- **5.** RFP Process Update and possible action: AMR contract being extended until October 1, 2018 to allow appropriate time to complete the RFP process, 1:1 staffing configuration in same contract amendment.
- **6.** Mobile Device Grant update: Mobile devices due in within a few weeks, will be distributed. There are 78 devices purchased for a little over \$90,000 grant money due to arrive.
- 7. Prehospital Advisory Committee Report: working on policy revision
- 8. EMS Week: coming on May 23. Five extraordinary calls will be recognized.

- **9.** Mobile Hospital: Confirmed by the State that we have been granted this asset. Arrangements ongoing. Thanks to Watsonville Hospital for agreeing to store it.
- 10. EMS System Ordinance: on hold
- **11.** Image Trend, APOT: Bugs continuing to be worked out on an ongoing basis, group requested to see the current "bug list". Ambulance Patient Offload Times (APOT) project will be ramping up in July.
- 12. Proposed Agenda for Next Meeting Action
- **13.** Adjournment Action

Commissioners Present:

- 1. Priscilla Leighton
- 2. Celia Barry
- 3. Dan Quinto
- 4. Chief Ian Larkin
- 5. Chris Jones
- 6. Lisa Angell, RN
- 7. Marc Yellin, MD
- 8. Paul Vincent
- 9. Robyn McIntyre
- 10. Marcus Kwan, MD
- 11. Juana Castillo, RN
- 12. Kent Benedict, MD

Guests:

Larissa Bradford, Calstar David Alcamo, Local 4911 Cean McGuire, Local 4911 Ivan Gonzalez, Local 4911 Chief Steven Hall, Central FPD Denise Johnson, Kaiser Doug Petrick, AMR Brad Cramer, AMR Adam Galotti, Local 4911 Tyler Broom, Local 4911 Mitch Long, Local 4911 Taylor Alaimo, Local 4911 Scott Campbell, Local 4911 Randall Rothweiler, Local 4911 Brian Smith, Local 4911 Violet Ramirez, Local 4911 Megan Disney, Local 4911 Michael Baulch, Stanford Lifeflight Jennifer Maguire, PDLN, Dominican Hospital Scott Vahradian, EMSIA

County Staff Present:

David Ghilarducci, M Brenda Brenner