

EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

June 20, 2019

1:00 PM

SHERIFF'S ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE
5099 Old Hwy N
MARIPOSA, CALIFORNIA

MEMBERS PRESENT: Nanette Wardle, Tom Wilkinson, Preston Smith, Heather Geske, Karen Wilson, Dr. Sergienko, Chris Ramirez

STAFF: Jim Whitworth

A. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Nanette Wardle called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

B. **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS AND GUESTS**

Self-introductions were made by all participants.

C. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment

D. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

There was no quorum present to approve the agenda.

E. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

There was no quorum present to approve the minutes.

F. **NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF THE COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON**

Tabled as the nomination committee has not been able to meet.

G. **REPORTS:**

1. **JCFHCD** – Tom Wilkinson

No report.

- HPP Grant Discussion – Nanette Wardle

- The new grant documents were received at the end of May 2019.
- Nanette is currently working on the budget of \$127,000. Looking at a three-phase generator for the hospital to run a portable HVAC system; \$36,000 request for the FirstWatch data surveillance program; a request from Mercy Ambulance for satellite phones; ICS training; and EMS system expenses.
- The hospital will be involved in a low or no-notice coalition surge test within the next week in conjunction with Merced County.

Let the record show Chairperson Wardle left the meeting and Dr. Sergienko assumed charge of the meeting at 1:07 pm.

2. **MCSO** – Chris Ramirez
 - Karen Wilson reported all existing EMTs in the department have received the updated EMT Scope of Practice training.
 - Chris Ramirez stated there has been one recent new hire who is functioning as a deputy but not an EMT. Per department policy he is not permitted at this time to have a second job performing as an EMT for an ambulance provider.
3. **American Red Cross** – Not present
4. **CHP** – Not present
5. **MCHHSA** – Dr. Sergienko
 - Public Health will be doing a regional exercise in November 2019. The scenario will be an agricultural animal illness crossover to human disease in a functional exercise.
 - PG&E Public Safety Power Shutoff meeting tomorrow. The concern is that citizens dependent on DME like oxygen concentrators, nebulizers, etc. will need charging stations. Immediate and long-term plans are being developed to identify centralized locations to be equipped with generators. There are further concerns for people who are also challenged by transportation.
6. **CAL FIRE/COUNTY FIRE** – Karen Wilson
 - Karen Wilson reported for County Fire:
 - Title 22 updates are completed.
 - The Basis Fire Academy is completed and produced additional firefighters.
 - County Fire headquarters has been moved to Spring Hill.
7. **MERCY MEDICAL TRANSPORT** – Preston Smith
No report.
8. **AIR AMBULANCE** – Heather Geske
No report.
9. **MVEMSA** – Jim Whitworth
 - Training for the updated EMT Scope of Practice skills must be completed by July 1, 2019. There cannot be recertification after that date without the updated training.
 - Dr. Mackey is leaving as the Agency Medical Director. His replacement has been selected and will start September 1, 2019.

10. **YOSEMITE MEDICAL CLINIC** – Not Present

Dr. Sergienko reported the clinic has a new emergency medicine physician starting on July 1, 2019. The clinic doctor for the past five years has been a family practice physician. They may also be able to shift the available hours to include on-call hours beyond the present Monday thru Friday 8 am to 5 pm clinic operations.

11. **PHYSICIAN REPRESENTATIVE** – Not present

There was some group discussion on possible replacements for Dr. Rose as the physician representative to the Committee.

12. **NORTH COUNTY CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVE** – Karen Wilson

- The disaster trailer is located at the airport.
- The Community Center has an AED, but the pads are expired. Dr. Sergienko said Public Health is developing a policy regarding on-going maintenance of the community AEDs.

13. **SOUTH COUNTY CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVE** – Not present

H. **NEXT MEETING**

Thursday, August 15, 2019 at 1:00 PM

I. **ADJOURNMENT** – Dr. Sergienko adjourned the meeting at 1:20 PM.