



County of San Diego

NICK MACCHIONE, FACHE
AGENCY DIRECTOR

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AGENCY
PO BOX 231309, MAIL STOP S-555
SAN DIEGO, CA 92193-1309
(619) 285-6429 • FAX (858) 999-8992

ERIC C. MCDONALD, MD, MPH, FACEP
CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER

CSA-69 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
James Bingham, Chair/ Jim Peasley, Vice Chair
c/o Emergency Medical Services
Zoom Meeting

Minutes
Thursday, May 13, 2021

IN ATTENDANCE

Members

Bingham, James – Lakeside Fire Protection District
Dare, Kristen – Santee Chamber of Commerce
Koval, Laura – City of Santee
Meadows-Pitt, Mary – Sharp Grossmont Hospital
Peasley, Jim – Santee Chamber of Commerce
Robak, Steve (Alt) – Lakeside Community Planning Group
Robeson, Robert – Lakeside Chamber of Commerce

County Staff

Alfaro, Suedy
Cavanaugh, Adria
Collins, Jeff
Dama, Val
del Toro, Nicole (recorder)
Floyd, Victoria
Gall, R.N., Jessica
Hrubovcak, Wendy
Keane, Melissa
Parr, Andy
Pia, Francis
Reddick, Herman
Smith, PhD, Josh
Thrush, Dorothy

Agency Representatives

Best, Marlene – City Manager, City of Santee
Brainard, Criss – San Miguel Fire & Rescue
Garlow, John – City of Santee Fire Department
Liebig, Peter – Director, Lakeside FPD
Matsushita, Justin – City of Santee Fire Department
McDermott, Tim – City of Santee
Molloy, Bernard – Lakeside Fire Protection District
Romero, Tony – Santee Fire
Thompson, Chris – Santee Fire
Vacio, Mike – San Miguel Fire Protection District
Wallace, Harley – Santee Fire

Guests

Brook, Michael – Digitech Billing Agency
Crawford, Kevin – Kevin Crawford Consulting
Kearney, Kay – Digitech Billing Agency
Wieczorek, Tom – CPSM
Zavatsky, Matt – CPSM

I. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jim Peasley called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm. The following new members were introduced: Laura Koval representing City of Santee and Dianne El-Hajj representing Santee School District Board. Mike Vacio announced that he is retiring and will no longer be taking the position of Vice-Chair; Kim Raddatz will be the primary representative to San Miguel Fire Protection District.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS/PETITIONS

There were no public comments or petitions submitted.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Steve Robak, seconded by Rob Robeson to approve the February 11, 2021 CSA-69 Advisory Committee minutes. Motion carried.

IV. COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

A. Re-select Chair and Vice-Chair**1. Laura Koval Chair; Mike Vacio Vice-Chair**

At the last meeting Laura Koval was nominated as Chair and Mike Vacio was nominated as Vice-Chair. Since Mike Vacio is retiring, Jim Bingham was nominated as the new Vice-Chair.

A motion was made by Steve Robak, seconded by Mary Meadows-Pitt to approve the nominations of Laura Koval as Chair and Jim Bingham as Vice-Chair. Motion carried.

V. MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT

A. Budget and Financial Report

The [CSA 69 FY 2020-2021 3rd Quarter Financial Overview](#) PowerPoint was presented by Consultants Tom Wiczorek Matt Zavadsky from the Center of Public Safety Management (CPSM), which covered the following: Revenue, Expenses, and Reserve Analysis.

1. Accept the Financial Report

A motion was made by Steve Robak, seconded by Rob Robeson to accept the Financial Report. Motion carried.

B. County Report – Andy Parr**1. EMS Agency Report**

- Policies and Protocols: Annual protocol changes are on track. Did not make them last year in the middle of the COVID pandemic, therefore there are two

years worth of changes and the 2021-2022 protocols are finalized. Education materials are being prepared and distributed for the July 1 effective date. If you did not receive the final protocol PDF packet and would like to review, please email County EMS. Protocols will be posted to the EMS website just before the effective date.

- Assess and Refer program has been discontinued as of April 30, 2021.
- COVID-19 EMS Waiver Reporting Reminders for P-801 will be going away on July 1, 2021.
- EMS Agency thanked the Fire Chiefs and organizers of the County Wild Land Drill. We were able to respond and work within scenario for activating our hospitals to notify them that there was a fire and injuries, etc. We used our LEMSIS system which is in every one of the 22 hospitals. Most of our agencies share resources that could be used to notify agencies and hospitals.
- Working closely with Scripps IT regarding the outage. Was problematic for many.
- Annual Annex D review is being updated. This is a multi-casualty plan.

C. Operations Chief's Meeting Report

Lakeside Fire District Report – Bernie Molloy

1. CSA 69 paramedics involved with the vaccinations going on throughout the County, continues and is ongoing.
2. Both workforces are well vaccinated.
3. Hired four in the academy.
4. Had shortages due to the pandemic; one of the shortages was the availability to go with their regular ambulance which is a van chase. Switched to a truck chase, which is a better platform, about the same price and will continue to go with truck chasses in the future.
5. Discussed call statistics of 2019 pre-pandemic, during pandemic, and post-ish pandemic. Saw a drop and now back up above where we were. It has been slow and steady.

Santee Fire Department – Justin Matsushita

1. Hired six new staff, going through various onboarding phases.
2. Some personnel for the Operation Collaboration are split between Santee and Lakeside. They have put a lot of time in and looking forward to that spooling down and having them shift back to their primary focus working within our agency.
3. Will be going to a new vendor for materials and supplies with a significant cost savings. New vendor is Life Assist effective July 1. Will provide same service.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Consultant's Report on CSA 69
Matt Zavadsky provided a PowerPoint presentation [CSA 69 Draft White Paper Report](#) which covered findings and recommendations, and was followed with discussion and Q and A.

The recommendation is to dissolve CSA 69. Chief Administrative Officer for the County of San Diego, Helen Robbins-Meyer, will receive the report and make the final decision along with input and advice from District 2.

A motion was made by Jim Bingham, seconded by Mary Meadows-Pitt to accept the Consultant's Report. Motion carried.

A request was made (by Jim Peasley) to report back on the progress on the JPA and what the discussion was with Supervisor Joel Anderson and his staff.

B. Out of District Transport Fee Report

This has been approved by the Board of Supervisors.

C. Discuss (quarterly) the fairness of services in City of El Cajon and CSA-69; what progress the County staff has made/continue to make

This is largely resolved. Have a much better ratio of service, mutual aid coverage.

D. Status of the request to increase fees over the 8-year period

The Consultant's Report takes this place. No more action will be taken.

E. Status of the 12h ambulance request

The Consultant's Report takes this place. No more action will be taken.

F. Billing Contractor Information

EMS Administrator Andy Parr provided a PowerPoint presentation [EMS Billing Process](#).

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Pandemic related funding for CSAs

Santee Fire Department has incurred additional expenses from the operational level.

The County is working with the consultant and some other health related offices to see what types of funding would be available for the CSAs. Will take some time. Will report back on this in September.

VIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Will clean up Old Business agenda items. Item #A will remain on the agenda.

IX. SET NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 9, 2021 at 4:00 pm via Zoom.
The meeting was adjourned at 5:31 pm.