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CSA-69 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

Thursday, May 8, 2008

Members Present

Clegg, Robin – Lakeside Comm. Planning Group
Howe, Kevin – Lakeside Union School District
Meadows-Pitt, R.N., Mary – Sharp Grossmont
Savage, Warren – City of Santee
Voepel, Mayor Randy – City of Santee

County Staff Present

Metz, R.N., Marcy
Pate, R.N., Rebecca
Ray, Leslie
Yaghmaee, Saman

Members Absent

Carlisle, Allen – Santee School District
Chambers, Pat – Santee Chamber of Commerce
Coyle, Ken – Lakeside Fire Protection District
Guidry, Doreen – East Co. Fire Protection District

Guests Present

Baker, Chief Mark – Lakeside Fire
Mattick, Richard – Santee Fire
Parr, Andy – Lakeside Fire

Recorder

Rupp, Merle

I. INTRODUCTION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Warren Savage, Chair, brought the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. Attendees introduced themselves.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION made by Kevin Howe, Seconded by Mayor Randy Voepel, to approve the Minutes of February 14, 2008 as submitted. MOTION carried.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS / PETITIONS

None.

IV. STAFF / AGENCY REPORTS

A. Financial Report (Saman Yaghmaee, County EMS)

In addition to the Expenditure and Revenue by Object and Account document that was distributed by mail to members prior to the meeting, Mr. Yaghmaee distributed a Fund Balance Report by Fiscal Year from July 1, 2004 through July 1, 2007 in graph form, which also broke down the revenues and expenditures by fiscal year, and expenditure and revenue comparisons from fiscal year 2006-07 from tax collections, interest and benefit fees.

(On June 2, 2008, a CSA-69 Revenue Forecast Report for the period of July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2012 was also mailed to members.)

Mr. Yaghmaee stated that there may be a need to tap into reserves if operations continue as they are now. Most of the operational cost increases are due to increased salaries. A concern was raised as to whether or not there was going to be rate increases for residents and non-residents in conjunction with the Consumer Price Index annual adjustment over the last few years.

ACTION: It was recommended that for the next CSA-69 agenda, a strong recommendation be made regarding raising transport fees 15-20% and further recommend it to the County Board of Supervisors.

ACTION: It was requested and that it would be helpful if County staff could come back to the next meeting of September 11, 2008 with the percentage projections for 15% and 20% increases in the transport fees for the next few years. Also, it was questioned if the contractor anticipated needing better equipment and trained personnel. County staff agreed to do that to work on those projections.

ACTION: It was also requested that financial projections be extended to the year 2012 for Advisory Board members to review.

Discussion ensued on why the budget subcommittee had not met this year. It was stated that the Advisory Board members normally approve the work of the budget subcommittee by the May meeting, but that had not occurred this year. **ACTION: MOTION made by Kevin Howe, Seconded by Robin Clegg, to call a special meeting of the CSA-69 Budget Subcommittee for Friday, May 16, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. MOTION carried.**

B. Administrative Report (Marcy Metz, R.N., County EMS)

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger appointed Steven Tharratt, M.D., as the new Director of the California Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA). Dr. Tharratt has been the Medical Director for Sacramento County EMS and the Sacramento City and County Fire Departments since 1995. He has served at UC Davis as Professor of Medicine and Anesthesiology and Vice-Chief in the Division of Pulmonary/Critical Care Medicine. He has also been Associate Regional Medical Director for the California Poison Control System since 1989. He earned his M.D.

degree from UCLA and a Master's Degree in Public Health from UC Davis. Dr. Haynes has known Dr. Tharratt for a long period of time and is very pleased with this appointment.

CSA-69 Emergency Medical & Demographic Profile (Leslie Ray, County EMS)

The following are highlights from Ms. Ray's presentation for CSA-69.

- Between the years 2000 and 2030, the population for CSA-69 is projected to increase by 37%.
- The 2007 population is estimated to be 109,743. By 2030, the population is projected to be 144,823.
- The fastest growing age segment will be seniors aged 65 and over, increasing by 175%.
- Seniors now make up 11% of the population but will increase to 19% by 2030.
- In Lakeside the median household income is \$52,683 and the percent of the population below poverty is 8%. Owner-occupied housing is 65.1%.
- In Santee the median household income is \$60,029 and the percent of the population below poverty is 5.2%. Owner-occupied housing is 72.6%.
- In CSA-69, the chief complaints of transported patients between the ages of 0-24 are trauma to the head and neck.
- For ages 25-44, the chief complaint is abdominal pain, ages 45-64 is chest pain cardiac and ages 65 plus, altered neuro medical.

C. Agency Reports

Santee Fire: In the process of having a paramedic unit re-chassied. Two of four paramedic fire fighters that were recently hired left employment with Santee.

Lakeside Fire: Recently took delivery of a unit that also had been re-chassied. Offload delays continue.

D. Medical Director's Report (Bruce Haynes, M.D.)

(Marcy Metz, R.N., Chief): The STEMI Program is moving along well. The door-to-balloon time for transporting cardiac patients has been reduced by 50% within the last year, down to 62 minutes per transport.

Warren Savage, Chair, hopes to re-connect with Dr. Haynes once again regarding AED's (Automatic External Defibrillators).

V. SET NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

The next CSA-69 meeting was scheduled for Thursday, September 11, 2008 at the Lakeside Fire Department Administrative Office at 4:00 p.m..

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Submitted by

Merle Rupp, Board Secretary, County EMS