



EMERGENCY MEDICAL
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EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COMMISSION

DATE:	December 19, 2016	TIME:	8:30 AM
PLACE:	Watsonville Community Hospital, Sequoia Room		

MINUTES

ITEM:

1. Call to Order/Establish Quorum, Review/Correct Agenda, Minutes– [8:35 am]: Trauma update by Dominican inadvertently left off agenda, added back in.
2. Written Correspondence Report – [8:35 am]: Appointment of Donna Salvi as At-Large Commissioner representing Watsonville Hospital effective 12/13/16.
3. Oral Communications – [8:40 am]: *Anyone wishing to address the Commission on any item not listed on the agenda may do so at this time. The Commission may listen, ask questions for clarification, and refer the matter to staff, or request that the item be placed on the agenda for a future meeting.* None reported
4. EMS Administrator Report
 - 4.1. TAG/Ambulance Contract Implementation: current and compliant
 - 4.2. Hospital Run Data: none provided
5. RFP Process Update and possible action: Discussion regarding the possibility of transitioning the EMS system to Medic/EMT staffing instead of the current dual medic staffing for the next Contract period. This included the request by AMR to transition sooner *if* the next contract period is confirmed to include Medic/EMT staffing, to avoid the potential for layoffs of paramedics for any selected provider at the start of the next contract. The Commissioners requested additional information to determine appropriate action at the next EMCC meeting.
6. Prehospital Advisory Committee – Change to auto launch of air ambulance change made to NetCom policy, Tactical policy draft provided by Marc Yellin, reviews of various QA/QI triggers occurring with goal to identify educational opportunities.
7. Behavioral Health: report by Juana Castillo and Marc Yellin, noting that data is being collected, and meetings with Behavioral Health administration are desired and pending. Commissioner McIntyre voiced concerns about the report of staffing challenges at the PHF and intends to write a letter asking how the change-over of staff is affecting patients. Recommendation to hold on ad hoc committee formation.
8. Trauma Update by Dominican: Dominican is no longer pursuing trauma designation due to challenges with MD leadership. However, all relevant staff received extra trauma training, and policies were modified to respond to trauma care needs. This will continue, and they will still do trauma activations and use a systematic trauma approach.
9. Proposed Agenda for Next Meeting – Meeting Planners for the new year are requested, report back by Juana Castillo and Marc Yellin re Behavioral Health, Medic/EMT staffing configuration.
10. Adjournment – Action

COMMISSIONERS ATTENDING:

Donna Salvi, RN

Marcus Kwan, MD

Robyn McIntyre

Dan Quinto

Chris Jones

Lisa Angell, RN

Juana Castillo, RN

Celia Barry

Marc Yellin, MD

Kent Benedict, MD

Guests and County Staff in attendance

David Ghilarducci, MD, EMS Medical Director

Paul Angelo, Dominican Hospital

Ian Larkin, CalFire

Scott Vahradian, EMSIA

Michael Baulch, LifeFlight

Brad Cramer, AMR

Brenda Brenner, EMS Administrator