

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
MEDICAL CONTROL BOARD**

MEETING MINUTES

September 20, 2018

The Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services Medical Control Board met at the EMS & Fire Administration, Conference Room 130, 12490 Ulmerton Road, Largo, Florida, at 10 A.M. on this date with the following members present:

Dr. Roberto Bellini, Mease Countryside Hospital
Dr. Stephen Haire, Morton Plant Hospital - Chair
Dr. Stephen Feilinger, St. Anthony's Hospital
Dr. Jennifer Pearson, C.W. Bill Young V.A. Medical Center
Mr. Kris Hoce, Morton Plant Mease Healthcare
Mr. Anthony Degina, Largo Medical Center - Secretary
Mr. Glenn Saldanha, Largo Medical Center
Dr. Paula Pell, Pinellas County Medical Association - Vice Chair
Dr. Joseph Namey, Pinellas County Osteopathic Medical Society
Mr. Jake Fisher, Palms of Pasadena Hospital
Dr. Krista Gillis, Bayfront Medical Center

Members Absent:

Dr. Raj Mathur, Florida Hospital North Pinellas
Dr. Jeremy White, Florida Hospital North Pinellas

Staff Present:

Dr. Angus Jameson, EMS Medical Director
Dr. Donna Dooley, Associate Medical Director
Dr. Stephanie Tershakovec, EMS Fellow
Craig Hare, Director, EMS & Fire Administration
Jim Fogarty, Director, Safety and Emergency Services
Jason Ester, County Attorney's Office
Greg Woodrum, EMS & Fire Administration
David Hudak, EMS & Fire Administration
Lisa Burley, Office of Management & Budget

Also Present:

John Peterson, Sunstar Paramedics
Jeremy Tinter, Sunstar Paramedics
Richard Schomp, Sunstar Paramedics
Dr. Justin Whisenant, Physician
Melanie Russo, Bayfront Medical Center
Dr. Anthony Ottaviani, Largo Medical Center
Stephanie McNulty, Largo Medical Center
Marissa LePain, Morton Plant Hospital
Liz Winter, Baycare

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Dr. Haire called the meeting to order at 10 A.M. A roll call was taken and it was determined that there was a quorum. There were 10 voting members in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the July 12, 2018 meeting were presented for approval. Dr. Feilinger made a motion to approve and Dr. Pell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATION ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS 1 & 2 (LISA BURLEY / OMB)

Ms. Lisa Burley from the Office of Management & Budget reviewed constitutional amendments 1 & 2, what they are, and their impact.

DIRECTOR, EMS & FIRE ADMINISTRATION

- New County Administrator – Mr. Barry Burton from Lake County, Illinois
- Dr. Joe Nelson is cycling out as the State EMS Medical Director after 30 years
- Data Driven Focus Group continues work on Growth Management package for December meeting
- Book 2 Administrative Protocols in the Medical Operations Manual will be brought before the Medical Control Board in December

MEDICAL DIRECTOR

- Dr. Jameson requested a motion for approval of the Tactical Finger Thoracostomy Protocol, and two supporting protocols for Tactical/SWAT Team Paramedics only.

Dr. Namey supported the motion to adopt the protocols. Mr. Degina seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- Final Hazmat Manual – Rehab Protocols removed from Hazmat Manual

Dr. Pell supported the motion to adopt the finalized Hazmat Manual. Mr. Hoce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- Medical Operations Manual – effective January 2nd, 2019. Dr. Jameson gave a summary of changes. Rehab protocols moved from Hazmat to Medical Operations Manual.

Dr. Namey made a motion to approve Medical Operations Manual changes for items: 1-3, 5-8, 10-13. Dr. Gillis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Gillis made a motion to approve Medical Operations Manual changes for items: 4 and 9. Dr. Pearson seconded the motion. The motion passed with 6 votes for and 4 votes against.

OVERVIEW OF PATIENT SATISFACTION & ENGAGEMENT (JEREMY TINTER / SUNSTAR)

Mr. Jeremy Tinter provided an overview of the results a recent Patient Satisfaction & Engagement Survey. A third party, the Baldrige Group contacts 500 prior patients a month who have been transported and gives them a scripted survey with 8 questions on it. Results of the survey have been positive. Pinellas County's EMS System's Patient Satisfaction & Engagement results are in the 80th percentile in a sample of 41 other EMS like systems.

OPEN FORUM

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 13, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. at the EMS & Fire Administration, 12490 Ulmerton Road, Largo, FL 33774.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Haire adjourned the meeting at 11:45 A.M.