

EMCC MEETING MINUTES April 16, 2014
Lakeport Fire District-445 N. Main St. Lakeport

1. Meeting called to order at 11:10 with introductions
2. Outstanding minutes of the Feb 19th meeting were approved without changes
3. North Coast EMS report: Larry Karsteadt.
 - A. Governing Board meeting was March 6th. There was no quorum. Next meeting April 24 @ 15:00 hrs.
 - B. The latest info mailing is out. There was a brochure included. There will be a revised version coming soon.
 - C. Mental Health-They are still gleaning material from the county. Stacy is working on a 5150 handbook.
 - D. The Redwood Paramedic program received state approval.
 - E. Image Trend: All Lake Co departments are using the program. Chief Sapeta brought up the question that if it doesn't get approved, is there a backup plan? Louis said there currently is not a backup plan. Willie is concerned about the cost of the program. Louis reported that as long as we are using the web based program it is free.
 - F. Louis & Jay are going to be attending training on QA/QI for the program & Louis wants to be involved.
 - G. Louis needs Stemi reports faxed to him.
 - H. Community Paramedic Program: An article written by UC Davis was forwarded. There was a hearing last week @ the state EMS & there was a lot of opposition. There is another hearing May 11 & 12. They may need letters of support. There were concerns about patients being transported to alternative sites & there were concerns of a loss of revenue to hospitals.
 - I. An invitation to EMSAC in May 28 & 29 was sent out.
 - J. EDAP continues to move forward. Cheryl did training in Lake County last month, next month there will be training up north.
 - K. Normal Saline Shortage: Does not seem to be an issue @ this time. Notify NCEMS if this becomes an issue.
 - L. The Rural Classification was approved for another year.
 - M. (Hpp) Louis stated the state is trying to figure the best way to distribute funds. Next fiscal year the funding will be based on Surge Capacity.
 - N. Sutter Lakeside will be seeking Stroke Center approval next year. Judy reported they need to know when the patient was last known to be "well". Nicole Lamm is heading that. We need to notify them we have a "code stroke" patient on our radio reports. They have a connection to CPMC for CVA pts.

4. Subcommittee Reports:

- A. Medical advisory: The TAC meeting was short. Trauma reporting has shifted to Image Trend. New additions & changes to the scope were discussed, Fentanyl & C-Spine modifications. There is a possibility of bringing a rural trauma training program. Louis reported that there are good C-Spine videos on U-Tube that are very good.
- B. Education: Willie is trying to get Yuba College to revisit the Health Program. The talks are positive so far, David Kennedy is taking the lead on it. Med Star reported that web site training is available, but varies. There will be disaster medical skills training next Friday. May 06, Lake Co Fire District is hosting training on "Dialysis Patients".
- C. Disaster: Willie reported that one of the new concerns is related to the recent rash of Hashish labs that have been discovered & their danger due to the fuels used in the "cooking process".
- D. Radio Communications: Site visits on all repeaters. Konocti & Tone 4 (Fire Scope).
- E. Publicity/Funding: No current issues.
- F. Bylaws: No current issues.
- G. Membership: applications are available from Bob Ray or the Clerk for the BOS.
- H. Policy Review: No report.
- I. Ambulance Review: SB-82 is in the works. LCFCA-JPA for ambulance service is in the works.

5. Old Business

- A. SHH-Clearlake landing pad issue: They are working on the concept to move to a DOT approved LZ.
- B. SHH-Clearlake construction & remodeling: They are going to change the ambulance striping to make parking easier & ensure there are 3 parking spaces in the ambulance bay. They also removed 5 parking spaces for the public next to the E.D. to make parking & travel through the lot safer.
- C. GEMT/AB 678 (Ground Emergency Medical Transport): All Fire Dept. transporting agencies have submitted the data for the grant monies, but have not received any funds at this time. We have been advised that the monies should be coming very soon.
- E. Mercy Air/Air Methods: Larry Karsteadt reported that there needs to be a Base Hospital designation @ SLH & contract amendment with NCEMS to move forward to Medic Accreditation. There needs to be an Air Ambulance Oversight Committee & there will be fees, possibly \$10,000 annually. There also will be initial EMT-P accreditation fees.

6 New Business:

Willie brought up the concept of a possible realignment of the catchment areas for Trauma, CVA & Base Station. Larry requested anyone interested to send Emails to NCEMS to support alignment of all catchment areas. This will be on the agenda for the next TAC meeting.

SHH-Clearlake did support the concept of the level 4 trauma designation.

Meeting adjourned @ 12:45 hrs.

Next meeting August 20, 2014 11:00 hrs @ Lakeport Fire District Station 50,
445 N. Main St., Lakeport