

**FLAGLER COUNTY EMS ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

07/08/2024

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chief Michael Tucker
Jim Caggiano
Bat. Chief Dave Faust
Robert W Boggess
Dep. Chief Stephen Cox (Via Telephone)
Dr. Kristen McCabe
Mary Radcliff (via Telephone)

GUEST PRESENT

Lt. Jon Moscowitz, FCFR
Gil Apsinwall, FCFR
Mary Hypes (via Telephone)

CALL TO ORDER

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Meeting Called to Order at 9:35 AM by Dr. McCabe

REGULAR BUSINESS

Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. McCabe led the committee in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance

Motion

Dr. McCabe asked for approval of the May 13, 2024 meeting minutes. Without objection, motion to approve the minutes was adopted.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion

4a – It was noted that Chief Tucker reached out to several of the COPCN providers who have not submitted quarterly reports. As the result, two providers – Century Ambulance and American Ambulance – reported they had no responses/transports to report for the First Quarter of 2024. AllCare, AmeriPro, and AdventHealth have not submitted Quarter 1, 2024 data. Mr. Boggess reviewed some of the statistics from the updated Summary report for the first quarter. He noted that data reported between Flagler Beach Fire Rescue, Palm Coast Fire Rescue and Flagler County Fire Rescue included duplicate responses and that some of the data can be misleading. This resulted in a renewed discussion of what the board wanted from the data. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that the report would be revised so that the number of responses and transports would be reported separately under Emergency and Non-Emergency. Mr. Boggess will revise the Quarterly Report and submit a draft to the FCEMSAB for review.

Discussion continued with regards to intra-facility transfers and response times. Dr. McCabe reported that AdventHealth continues to develop and enhance their relationships with 3rd party providers to improve the response times. Since none of these 3rd party providers have reported response times, the Board is left to get feedback from AdventHealth. Dr. McCabe that she and Ms. Radcliff are still working with their transfer center to get that data needed regarding both the 3rd party providers and services rendered by AdventHealth. AdventHealth in the meantime may be an alternate source of some of this data.

- Discussion 4b – With regards to data, Dr. McCabe and Ms. Radcliff continue to work with their transfer center to get the relevant data.
- Discussion 4c - AdventHealth continues to work on the Stroke and Cardiac care accreditation but reported that the process can be a long time, as much as 2 or 3 years.
- Discussion 4d – Chief Tucker reported that he is awaiting a response from the county attorney with regards to COPCN providers that do not submit the required data and actions that can or can not be taken by the FCEMSAB.
- Discussion 4e – Chief Tucker, Chief Faust, and Lt. Moscovitz provided a brief update on the AED situation. All the government installed AEDs have been entered into the county database and are waiting for the integration of that data into the dispatch software so that when a call is dispatched, the GPS location of the nearest AED will be sent out as part of the dispatch. There is apparently little or no requirements for public non-government facilities, i.e. commercial building like Target or Walmart, to provide information concerning their AEDs.
- Discussion Open – Chief Tucker reported that there has been a glitch in the purchase of the Lucas devices. Apparently, the State gave its authorization for the purchase under grant money, sent the funds to the county, but when the county submitted the order, the vendor could not provide the devices at the rate originally quoted to the State. The county is working on alternatives. Lt. Moscovitz reported that they believe they have found an equivalent device and are working on the details.

NEW BUSINESS

- Discussion Open – Ms. Radcliff brought up an issue with the linens. Lt. Moscovitz reported that the FCFR crews have been advised of the location of linen for the FCFR verses linen for hospital use.
- Adjournment Dr. McCabe asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Mr. Caggiano and seconded by Chief Tucker. Meeting adjourned at 10:42 hrs.

Respectfully Submitted,
Robert W. Boggess, II