**Alamo Area Council of Governments**

**Regional Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday, March 16th, 2023 – 2:00pm**

**2700 NE Loop 410, Suite 101**

**San Antonio, Texas 78217**

**MEETING MINUTES**

***MEMBERS PRESENT:***

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| 1. **Donovan Agans** 2. **Edwin Baker** 3. **Andrew Cardiel** 4. **Patrick Lewis for Manuel Casarez** 5. **Walton Daugherty** 6. **Shelby Dupnik** 7. **Angela Morgan for Eric Epley** 8. **Jeffrey Fincke** 9. **Philip Glass** 10. **Tony Gross** 11. **Nolan Byrd for Gary Haecker** 12. **Ray Kallio** 13. **Jeff Kelley** 14. **Bryce Houlton for Judge Kyle Kutscher** | 1. **Judy Lefevers and Jason Rutherford** 2. **Jerremy Hughes for Eric Maloney** 3. **Matt Jimenez for Christopher Monestier** 4. **Scott Moreland** 5. **Michael Morlan and Rey Torres** 6. **Steve Olfers** 7. **Mick McMickle for Braxton Roemer** 8. **Chris Lopez for Judge Peter Sakai** 9. **Sammy Sikes** 10. **Benito Juarez for Michael Starnes** 11. **Michael Padilla for Judge James Teal** 12. **William Thomas** 13. **Cindy Stafford for Chris Thompson** 14. **Devon Wilborn and Blake Stayton** |

***MEMBERS ABSENT:***

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| 1. **Mark Chadwick** 2. **Justin Klaus** 3. **Daniel Kramer** 4. **Robert Lee** | 1. **Sam McDaniel** 2. **Dan Pue** 3. **Mark Trevino** |

***AACOG STAFF PRESENT:***

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| Marcela Medina – Public Safety Manager  Matthew Reyes – Homeland Security Planner  Justin Monarez – Homeland Security/Criminal Justice Coordinator  Laura Richardson – Public Safety Specialist |

**1. Meeting called to Order.**

Jeff Fincke called the meeting to order at 2:05pm.

**2. Roll Call.**

A quorum was established with twenty-eight **(28)** members present

**3. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**4. Consider and act upon the approval of the February 14, 2023 minutes.**

A **motion** was made by **Andrew Cardiel** and secondedby **Scott Moreland** to approve the minutes, with the addition of the 2023 SHSP Prioritization as an addendum.

**All Approved, Motion Carried.**

**5. Consider and act upon the approval of the membership items:**

1. Nominating Vance Meade to replace Dudley Wait as the second alternate for Eric Epley from STRAC.

A **motion** was made by **Sammy Sikes** and secondedby **William Thomas** to approve the membership item.

**All Approved, Motion Carried.**

**Presentations:**

**6. Monthly National Weather Service Update – Jeff Fincke**

Jeff Fincke delivered information on upcoming precipitation and weather advisories per Paul Yura’s absence.

1. **Program Updates**
2. Monthly HSGD Conference Call
   1. AACOG staff did not attend the monthly conference call due to its conflicting with the Poteet Strawberry Festival Mass Casualty Workshop
   2. Office of Homeland Security relayed information via email about the state’s allocation for SHSP, which is not anticipated to change for the upcoming fiscal year.
3. AACOG Board of Directors approved 2023 SHSP Priority Listing; Staff submitted in eGrants
4. Three SHSP projects transferred to statewide competitive NPA funding stream
5. Poteet Strawberry Festival Mass Casualty Workshop
   1. About 60 stakeholders attended from across the region
6. Updates on Regional Resiliency Assessment Program (RRAP) for local 911 services
7. **Discussion and appropriate action on subcommittee reports.**
8. **Emergency Management**

N/A

1. **Fire/Hazmat/WMD**

N/A

1. **Law Enforcement/Fusion Center**

N/A

**D.  Interoperable Communications**

Robert Adelman – Relayed information on a proposal that AACOG is submitting for federal funding tied to radio infrastructure and equipment.

**E. Hospital/EMS/Medical**

Angela Morgan – Hospitals are in final planning stages for a full-scale exercise that is scheduled for April 6th. EMS is working on MCI response planning for special events.

**F.  Public Health**

Sammy Sikes – COVID numbers are still quite low, and influenza-like illness numbers are low as well. Water-borne infections are starting to rise as warmer weather arrives.

1. **Energy Resilience and Hazardous Mitigation Planning**

Lyle Hufstetler from AACOG Natural Resources presented information from a project with the State Energy Conservation Office, which includes work pertaining to hazardous mitigation planning for energy resilience.

**Closing Items:**

**10. Upcoming Events, Trainings and/or Exercises**

1. TDEM Conference – late May/early June
2. Many upcoming courses in the region through TEEX
3. Monthly WebEOC training in late March
4. WebEOC Working Group will start meeting again in April

**11. Items to be placed on next meeting agenda**

No items were identified to be added to the next meeting agenda.

**12. Next Meeting Date: April 19, 2023 – 2:00pm – at AACOG Titan Building**

**13. Adjournment.**

A **motion** was made by **Tony Gross** and seconded by **Devon Wilborn** to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50pm.

Glossary:

1. AACOG – Alamo Area Council of Governments
2. CISA – Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency
3. DSHS – Department of State Health Services
4. DVE – Domestic Violent Extremism
5. GIS – Geographic Information Systems
6. HSGD – Homeland Security Grants Division
7. JTTF – Joint Terrorism Task Force
8. LETPA – Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Act
9. NPA – National Priority Area
10. NSEDC – National Special Events Data Call
11. NSGP – Nonprofit Security Grant Program
12. OOG – Office of the Governor
13. RMOC – Regional Medical Operations Center
14. SAOEM – San Antonio Office of Emergency Management
15. SERI – Statewide Emergency Radio Infrastructure (grant)
16. SHSP – State Homeland Security Program
17. STEAR – State of Texas Emergency Assistance Registry
18. STFC – South Texas Fusion Center
19. STRAC – Southwest Texas Regional Advisory Council
20. TARC – Texas Association of Regional Councils
21. TEEX – Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service