

**Alamo Area Council of Governments
Regional Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee Meeting
Wednesday November 20th, 2024 – 1:30pm
AACOG Titan Building
2700 NE Loop 410, Suite 101 San Antonio, Texas 78217**

MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Andrew Cardiel2. Manuel Casarez3. Mark Chadwick4. Walton Daugherty5. Vance Meade for Eric Epley6. Nolan Byrd for Gary Haecker7. Jeff Kelley8. Bryce Houlton for Kyle Kutscher9. Judy Lefevers10. Scott Moreland11. Rey Torres for Michael Morlan	<ol style="list-style-type: none">12. Bryan Norris13. Steve Olfers14. John Overstreet15. Justin Calhoun for Braxton Roemer16. Colin Davis for Sammy Sikes17. Cindy Stafford18. Michael Starnes & Rachelle Littlefield19. Michael Padilla for James Teal20. William Thomas21. Mark Trevino
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MEMBERS ABSENT:

<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Donovan Agans2. Rochelle Camacho3. Brady Constantine4. Shelby Dupnik5. Tony Gross6. Brandon High7. Donald Keil8. Erick Maloney	<ol style="list-style-type: none">9. Samuel McDaniel10. Todd Perna11. Curtis Roberson12. Judge Peter Sakai13. Aaron Von Muldau
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AACOG STAFF PRESENT:

Marcela Medina – Public Safety Manager Justin Monarez- Criminal Justice/Homeland Security Coordinator Laura Richardson- Public Safety Specialist Cami Goldspink- Criminal Justice Planner
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1. Meeting called to Order.

Mark Chadwick called the meeting to order at 1:31pm.

2. Roll Call.

A quorum was established with twenty-one (21) members present.

3. Public Comments

Presentation given on new upcoming bill about SOS. SOS will still work even when networks are out. There is no cost to it.

4. Consider and act upon the approval of the October 16, 2024 minutes.

A **motion** was made by **Scott Moreland** and seconded by **Andrew Cardiel** to approve the minutes.

All Approved, Motion Carried.

5. Discussion and appropriate action on membership items:

A. Primary update:

- Appoint Mike Pansza, Atascosa County Office of Emergency Management, as the primary for Atascosa County.
- Appoint Justin Calhoun, as the primary for City of Fredericksburg, replacing Braxton Roemer.

A **motion** was made by **Bryce Houlton** and seconded by **Bryan Norris** to approve the above membership items.

All Approved, Motion Carried

B. Alternate update:

- Appoint Ronald Sanchez, Atascosa County Fire Marshal, as the alternate to Mike Pansza.
- Appoint Braxton Roemer, City of Fredericksburg, as the alternate to Justin Calhoun.
- Appoint Rachel Warns, TX DSHS as the second alternate to Colin Davis replacing Sarah Maldonado.
- Appoint Patrick Lewis, Bexar County LEPC, as the alternate to Walton Daugherty.

A **motion** was made by **Walton Daugherty** and seconded by **Bryce Houlton** to approve the above membership items.

All Approved, Motion Carried

6. Presentations:

- A. **Monthly National Weather Service Update-** Paul Yura-Cooler days coming.

B. School of Public Health San Antonio- Marilu Vasquez, M.D.,M.S.

TEPHI-Texas epidemic Public Health institute- main overall mission is to prepare Texas for the next infectious disease. It is preparing Texas through training, early detection, communication and public health reserve network.

They offer a Pandemic Preparedness Certificate Program. This includes 4 courses:

- Foundations of infectious disease
- Infectious disease surveillance
- Public health emergency and response
- Concludes with a Capstone exercise

Exercise is completely free and can take up to 15 months.

7. Discussion and appropriate action on subcommittee reports.

A. Emergency Management-

We got feedback from our survey on membership. They will be getting notices on future meetings.

B. Fire/Hazmat/WMD-N/A

C. Law Enforcement/Fusion Center-

We met last Wednesday with our new members. We discussed priorities.

D. Interoperable Communications- N/A

E. Hospital/EMS/Medical-

Not a lot to report other than we had the CNC exercise and AER feedback on that. We continue to deal with the shortage on saline throughout the US because of the hurricanes. We had one line come back and expect another one in a couple weeks. We expect normal production hopefully after the first of the year.

F. Public Health- N/A

8. Discussion and appropriate action on 2025 REPAC Calendar.

The REPC calendar was given and dates discussed. Not changes were recommended. The project submission schedule as given and discussed also. The subcommittees will need to meet and discuss priorities. In December, we had the release of the RFA's and the SHSP projects. We are proposing to have a workshop before the December 18th meeting. The dates on the submission schedule were explained.

A **motion** was made by **Bryce Houlton** and seconded by **Scott Moreland** to approve the calendars as presented.

All Approved, Motion Carried

9 Upcoming Events, Trainings and/or Exercises

1. Medina County in Devine- will be having a national Spartan event on Nov 23-24th. They are expecting around 4,000 people.

10 Items to be placed on next meeting agenda.

None

11. Next Meeting Date: Wednesday December 18th, 2024, at 1:30pm.

12. Adjournment.

A **motion** was made and seconded to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 2:05pm.

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. TEEEX – Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service