Draft Minutes of Meeting – Subject to Change Upon Approval by the Regional Trauma Advisory Board at their next regularly scheduled meeting

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EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES & TRAUMA SYSTEM

DIVISION OF COMMUNITY HEALTH

REGIONAL TRAUMA ADVISORY BOARD (RTAB)

January 21, 2026 - 1:30 P.M.

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MEMBERS PRESENT

Chris Fisher, MD, Chair, Sunrise Hospital
Deborah Kuhls, MD, Vice Chair, University Medical Center
Col Keith Berry, MD, MOMMC
John Recicar, RN, MOMMC
John Pope, RN, Sunrise Hospital
Kelly Morgan, MAB Chairman
Dina Bailey (ALT), Health Education
Ryan Tyler, Public EMS Provider
Erin Breen, Legislative/Advocacy
Chris Giunchigliani, General Public
Sean Dort, MD, St. Rose Siena Hospital
Lisa Rogge, RN, University Medical Center
Ashley Tolar, RN, St. Rose Siena Hospital
Maya Holmes, Payers of Medical Benefits
Jessica Colvin, System Finance
Sam Scheller, Private EMS Provider
Amy Henley, Rehabilitation Services
Shanna Tello (ALT), Public Relations/Advocacy

MEMBERS ABSENT

Alexis Mussi, Administrator, Non-Trauma

SNHD STAFF PRESENT

Christian Young, MD, EMSTS Medical Director
John Hammond, EMSTS Manager
Laura Palmer, EMSTS Supervisor
Stacy Johnson, EMSTS Regional Trauma Coordinator
Roni Mauro, EMSTS Field Rep
Edward Wynder, SNHD, Associate General Counsel
Kristen Anderson, EMSTS Program Coordinator
Andria Cordovez Mulet, SNHD Executive Asst
Jacques Graham, SNHD Administrative Secretary
Xavier Gonzales, PhD, SNHD Dir. – Comm. Health

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Stacie Sasso
Bob Rakosi
Cade Grogan
Cameron Pfand
Georgi Collins
Emma Rodriguez

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I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The Regional Trauma Advisory Board (RTAB) was called to order by Chair Fisher at 1:31 pm. The Affidavit of Posting was noted in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law. Roll call was administered by SNHD staff member Stacy Johnson and she noted that quorum was met.

II. FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT:

A period devoted to comments by the general public about those items appearing on the agenda. Comments will be limited to five (5) minutes per speaker. Please clearly state your name and address and spell your last name for the record. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of the presentation, this may be done by the Chair or the Board by majority vote.

Chair Fisher asked if anyone wished to address the Board pertaining to items listed on the agenda. Seeing no one, the Chair closed the First Public Comment period.

III. ADOPTION OF THE JANUARY 21, 2026 AGENDA:

Chair Fisher asked for approval of the agenda from the January 21, 2026 meeting. *A motion was made by Member Giunchigliani, seconded by Member Holmes, and passed unanimously to approve the consent agenda.*

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Items for action to be considered by the RTAB which may be enacted by one motion. Any item may be discussed separately per Board member request before action. Any exceptions to the Consent Agenda must be stated prior to approval.

Chair Fisher asked for approval of the agenda from the October 15, 2025 meeting. *A motion was made by Member Rogge, seconded by Member Pope, and passed unanimously to approve the agenda*

V. DISTRICT HEALTH OFFICER REPORT:

No items to report.

VI. REPORT/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

A. Nomination & Election for Chair and Vice-Chair of the Regional Trauma Advisory Board to begin January 2026

- Chair Fisher stated he and Dr. Kuhls have both been nominated for RTAB Chair, and information on both candidates was provided to members. *Member Giunchigliani made a motion to name Dr. Deborah Kuhls as Chair of the RTAB. Member Holmes seconded the motion. After an opportunity for discussion, the motion passed.*

Mrs. Palmer conducted a roll call vote.

Aye - 12
No - 1
Abstain - 3

Deborah Kuhls, MD was declared elected as Chair of the Regional Trauma Advisory Board.

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- Chair Fisher announced two candidates for RTAB Vice-Chair, John Pope and Dr. Sean Dort. *Chair Fisher made a motion to name Dr. Sean Dort as Vice-Chair of the RTAB. Member Tolar seconded the motion. After an opportunity for discussion, the motion passed*.

  Mrs. Palmer conducted a roll call vote.

  Aye – 14
  Abstain - 2

  Sean Dort, MD was declared elected as Vice-Chair of the Regional Trauma Advisory Board.

- Chair Fisher declared the newly elected Chair and Vice-Chair as Dr. Deborah Kuhls and Dr. Sean Dort. Chair Fisher thanked the committee for his time serving as the RTAB Chair for the last two years and turned the remainder of the meeting over to Dr. Kuhls.

B. Discussion of Upcoming Nominations for Non-Standing RTAB Member Seats for the Term Expiring June 30, 2026

- Ms. Johnson stated the next seats up for nomination are the Non-Standing RTAB Members which expire the end of June. She stated on the nomination forms, the deadline was set for March 31, 2026. She asked that the nomination deadline be moved to February 28th and explained the bylaws state nominating meetings are to be held no later than the end of March. Ms. Johnson requested that a meeting be scheduled in March for the nominating committee only, with the regular RTAB meeting being held in April as previously scheduled. The committee requested that staff select several date options for the nominating committee meeting and send them out for member input and date selection.

C. Discussion Regarding E-Bike/E-Scooter Statistics From Each Trauma Center

- Dr. Fisher presented e-Bike/e-Scooter injury data from Sunrise Hospital involving 254 patients**,** with approximately one-third being pediatric patients. The most common injury identified was traumatic brain injury (TBI)**,** with low documented helmet use (21%). A significant proportion of cases required higher-level trauma activation, and approximately 33% resulted in hospital admission. Most injuries occurred due to loss of control by the rider.
- The discussion highlighted limited age restrictions, challenges with compliance, and gaps in public awareness of existing laws in place. Legislative efforts to address e-bike and e-scooter safety were introduced during a recent special session but deferred to the 2027 legislative session. It was also noted that new legislation recently came out as ACR4 which directs the Joint Interim Standing Committee on the judiciary to conduct a study on road safety.
- Board members emphasized the need for a coordinated, trauma-system-wide response, including regional data sharing and exploration of a multi-institutional study to better define injury trends. This study would represent the first collaborative SNHD research paper published. Opportunities for community education, school engagement, and parental outreach were identified as critical components of injury prevention.
- Members expressed a strong interest in collaborating across trauma centers and with public health and legislative partners to improve rider safety and reduce preventable injuries.

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D. Renewal of Authorization of Michael O'Callaghan Military Medical Center as a Level III Trauma Center

- *A motion was made by Member Dort, seconded by Member Tolar, and passed unanimously to approve the Renewal of Authorization of Michael O'Callaghan Military Medical Center as a Level III Trauma Center, with the exception of Dr. Keith Berry and John Recicar who abstained.*

VII. REGIONAL TRAUMA COORDINATOR REPORT

A. Update for EMS & Trauma System

- Kristen Anderson was introduced as the new EMS Program/Project Coordinator.
- Ms. Johnson proposed the RTAB and TMAC meeting times be flipped due to action items discussed in TMAC meeting have a 3-month wait time until they can be discussed in the RTAB meeting. This item will be added to the next meeting's agenda for further discussion.

B. Trauma Field Triage Criteria (TFTC) Data Reports for 3rd Quarter 2025

- Ms. Johnson presented Q3 2025 TFTC data and reported we have fully transitioned over to the TFTC reporting system and feels it is going well. There were no questions or discussion.

C. Report from MAB Meeting

- No items to report

VIII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS / DISCUSSION ONLY

Report from Public Provider of Advanced Emergency Care

- Ryan Tyler reported that Clark County Fire Department has successfully administered pre-hospital whole blood. He stated he was not in a position to share statistics or data, but things have been going well.

Report from Private Provider of Advanced Emergency Care

- Sam Scheller stated there were no items to report.

Report from General Public Representative

- Chris Giuncigliani reported that due to the special legislative session, she contacted county representatives and other legislators to discuss the Governor's plan to move forward with something other than the DUI component on road safety. She will work on public outreach to contribute towards the collection of data and statistics on e-bike/e-scooter usage.

Report from Non-Trauma Center Hospital Representative

- No items to report.

Report from Rehabilitation Representative

- Amy Henley stated there were no items to report.

Report from Health Education & Injury Prevention Services Representative

- Dina Bailey (ALT) stated there were no items to report.

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Report from Legislative/Advocacy Representative

- Member Breen reported that Bill AB6 which addresses school zones, was passed during the legislative special session. This bill allows each entity (e.g., Clark County, City of Las Vegas, City of Henderson, etc.) to extend their school zones in both distance and in time. Many students rely on schools for breakfast programs, and arriving only 30 minutes before school often results in missed meals. Under AB6, school zones may now be extended to one hour before and one hour after school hours, improving access and safety. Although this change was commonly believed to already be law, it will become official on July 1st**.** Additionally, all fines in active school zones will be doubled now in hopes to get the community to pay closer attention.

Report from Public Relations/Media Representative

- Shana Tello (ALT) reported that UMC has done a lot of media outreach addressing the safety risks associated with e-bikes/e-scooters. News stations have covered the topic, helping communicate the importance of helmet use, lights, bells, and other safety interventions to keep those who utilize these modes of transportation safe. UMC is happy with the media coverage and education that's been provided.

Report from Payer of Medical Benefits

- Maya Holmes stated there were no items to report.

Report from System Finance/Funding

- Jessica Colvin stated there were no items to report.

IX. SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT

A period devoted to comments by the general public about those items appearing on the agenda. Comments will be limited to five (5) minutes per speaker. Please clearly state your name and address and spell your last name for the record. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of the presentation, this may be done by the Chair or the Board by majority vote.

Chair Kuhls asked if anyone wished to address the Board pertaining to items listed on the agenda. Seeing no one, the Chair closed the Second Public Comment period.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:24 pm.

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