



Staff Report

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Subject:

Appointments to the Emergency Medical Services Medical Control Board.

Recommended Action:

Sitting as the Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Authority, approve the following appointments to the EMS Medical Control Board (MCB) for two-year terms ending April 2021:

- Reappointment of Dr. Stephen Feilinger as Emergency Physician representative.
- Appointment of Dr. Matthew Nelson as Emergency Physician alternate representative.

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community.

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.1 Maximize partner relationships and public outreach.

5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support.

Summary:

Per Section 3.2, EMS Medical Control Board bylaws, these individuals have volunteered to serve a two-year term on the EMS Medical Control Board.

Dr. Feilinger will continue as a primary emergency physician representative. Dr. Nelson has been nominated to replace Dr. Ball as an alternate representative.

Background Information:

The Pinellas County Code, Section 54-60, established a Medical Control Board (MCB) consisting of four (4) licensed physicians specializing in emergency medicine from facilities in Pinellas County, four (4) Pinellas County hospital administrators, one (1) emergency physician appointed by the Pinellas County Medical Association, one (1) emergency physician appointed by the Pinellas County Osteopathic Society and one (1) emergency physician from a trauma center located within Pinellas County.

The MCB is an advisory body to the Authority and to the EMS Medical Director. The MCB is given specific review and approval authority pursuant to Section 54-60 of the Pinellas County Code subject to overriding Florida Law. The objectives of the MCB include the following:

- a. Advise the Authority on matters pertaining to emergency medical services.
- b. Advise the EMS Medical Director on issues of clinical policy and practice.
- c. Review and approve applicable protocols and procedures.

- d. Review the performance of all system components to include the EMS Medical Director, the ambulance contractor, the first responder contractors and the Continuing Medical Education contractor.
- e. Provide a liaison between the medical community at large and the EMS system.
- f. Provide opinions regarding medical community consensus to the Authority and the EMS Medical Director.

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Staff Member Responsible:

James G. Fogarty, Director, Safety and Emergency Services

Partners:

EMS Medical Control Board

EMS Medical Director

Attachments:

EMS Medical Control Board Roster

Nomination Letter

Dr. Feilinger's Resume

Dr. Nelson's Curriculum Vitae

EMS Medical Control Board Bylaws