



SOUTH FLORIDA LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2019 @ 10:00 AM

**South Florida Regional Planning Council
One Oakwood Blvd, Suite 221
Hollywood, FL 33020**

<http://www.soflalepc.org> (new website)

Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Ray McDonald welcomed the members at 10:02 am. Manny Cela welcomed the members to the new offices of the South Florida Regional Planning Council and thanked those that attended meetings at the temporary offices occupied by the agency for ten months.

Introductions

In attendance were Junieth Arena, Niel Batista, Tatiana Belmont, Camile Campbell, Bob Christensen, Alain Donderiz, Dave Dungan, Eduardo Koenig, Chair Ray McDonald, AJ Navarrete, Jeffry Peleg, Axel Rodriguez, Peter Schecter, Vice Chair Steve Shaw and Natasha Strokin. Excused were Rick Barrett, Jeannie Cann, Maikel Garcia and Bret Maxwell. Also present were Steven Herschenhorn, Lisa Gordon, Matt Currie, Robert Crosby, Jeff Manning, Jeff Moral, Analdy Garcia, Megan Orlando, Calvin Williams, Alysha Napel and Kendall Faulkner.

Previous Meeting Summary

The minutes from the November 14, 2018 meeting were moved by Niel Batista, seconded by Jeffry Peleg and approved unanimously.

Membership Changes (Manny Cela)

There were no membership changes, however, Lt. Maikel Garcia, our SERC Training Representative, is now the Primary Member for his Department, Miami Fire Rescue.

Subcommittee Reports

Training Subcommittee (Manny Cela)

Coordinator Manny Cela briefed the members on the training activities this year. Mr. Cela discussed the 2019 HazMat Symposium and the 27 sponsorships that were granted. Lisa Gordon, Ray McDonald and Steve Shaw, who attended, spoke of their experiences, training and team competition. The City of Miami FR team, with Lt. Maikel Garcia as OIC, received an award at the competition.

Later this day, Mr. Cela indicated there would be two sessions of E-Plan How-to-Comply training by FDEM personnel. Both sessions have a total of more than 50 persons registered.



The SoFlaLEPC is sponsoring three Gasoline Tanker Emergencies classes at the Miami FR Training Facility on February 25, 26 and 27. Registration is still open.

There will be one 8-hour OSHA HAZWOPER Refresher class at the Broward EOC on March 12. At this point, 45 of a maximum 50 persons are already registered.

The SoFlaLEPC is working with the Key West and Fort Lauderdale Fire Departments to sponsor Hybrid HazMat 160 classes for their personnel. The training is to take place in the spring.

Planning Subcommittee (Manny Cela)

There is no Planning Project this year.

Exercise Subcommittee (Manny Cela)

Mr. Cela indicated that, absent FDEM accepting the regional HeatShield3 exercise in lieu of the LEPC conducting its own, we would be hosting a tabletop exercise in early June. To that end, there will be a Concept and Objectives meeting immediately following this meeting.

2019 HazMat Emergency Response Plan Update (Manny Cela)

Coordinator Manny Cela will be requesting assistance from several members to steer the HazMat Plan through their respective counties. The goal is to present the updated Plan to the Committee for acceptance at the May 29 meeting.

Presentation of 2019 SERC Yatabe Award and Certificates of Appreciation

This year's Yatabe Award recipient, Niel Batista, was unable to attend the January SERC meeting to receive his award, so it was presented during this meeting. Mr. Steven Herschenhorn also received his Certificate of Appreciation at the meeting. The second Certificate recipient, Freda Vaughn, was unable to attend.

SoFlaLEPC Coordinator Report (Manny Cela)

Coordinator Manny Cela again welcomed the members to the new offices. He extended an invitation to any members who wished to attend the How-to-Comply training in the afternoon. Mr. Cela also provided an update of the Operation HeatShield3 series of Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack (CCTA) exercises for the Region.

Members Comments

Niel Batista spoke of the Turkey Point exercise, its focus on monitoring and decontamination and need for volunteers. Natasha Strokin discussed the upcoming March 8 and 9 Miami-Dade Healthcare Preparedness Coalition Symposium (www.mdchpc.org).

Upcoming Meetings

The next meeting will take place May 29, 2019 in Hollywood.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned by Chair McDonald at 11:15 am.