



# **RAN**

## **MERCED COUNTY REMOTE ACCESS NETWORK BOARD**

### **AGENDA**

**Tuesday, October 15, 2024 - 10:00 a.m.**

**LOCATION - Merced County District Attorney Office**

**550 W. Main Street, Merced, California - 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Training Room**

#### **Board Members**

Chairperson Anna Hazel, Chief Investigator MCDA  
Vice Chairperson Greg Sullivan, Captain MCSO  
Nicole Silveira, District Attorney  
Vern Warnke, Sheriff MCSO

Steven Stanfield, Chief Merced PD  
Ruben Chavez, Chief Gustine PD  
Scott Silveira, Merced County Supervisor  
Pat Nagy, Mayor Gustine

#### **I. Call to Order**

#### **II. Roll Call/Introductions**

Public Comment-Member of the public may comment on any item within the jurisdiction of the board. Any person addressing the board must state their name and address for the record and limit their comments to three minutes.

#### **III. Approval of Minutes**

- a. May 28, 2024 Regular Board Meeting (see attached)

#### **IV. Reports**

- a. 2024/2025 Budget – Capt. Sullivan

Trust Account 2621 (Automated Fingerprint)	\$ 659,014.00
Trust Account 2875 (CAL ID, Vehicles)	\$ 133,074.00
<b>Total Balance:</b>	<b>\$ 792,088.00</b>

- b. NEC/Mobile ID – Lt. Bassi

**V. Merced Police Department** – Request for budget transfer of \$3,907.29 from the \$35,000 RAN allocation designated to MPD for purchase air cards to cover the increased cost quoted for their message switch server.

**VI. Old Business**

**VII. New Business**

**VIII. Comments and Announcements**

**a. 2025 RAN Board Elections**

**IX. Adjourn**

The next regular meeting of the RAN Board will be held: **TBA**  
**Merced County District Attorney's Office**  
**550 W. Main St., Merced, CA**

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### MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 28, 2024 – 10:00 A.M.

Merced County District Attorney's Office – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Training Room  
550 W. Main Street, Merced, California

#### **Members:**

Anna Hazel – Chairperson  
Greg Sullivan – Vice Chairperson  
Ruben Chavez  
Pat Nagy  
Ray Reyna  
Nicole Silveira  
Scott Silveira  
Steve Stanfield  
Vern Warnke

- I. **Call to Order:** - The regular meeting of the RAN Board was called to order by Vice Chairperson Greg Sullivan, Captain of the Merced County Sheriff's Department, at 10:03 A.M.
- II. **Roll Call/Introductions:** Everyone present signed in prior to the start of the meeting.

#### Members present:

District Attorney Nicole Silveira  
Supervisor Scott Silveira  
Chief Steve Stanfield  
Captain Greg Sullivan

Merced County District Attorney's Office  
Merced County Board of Supervisors  
Merced Police Department  
Merced County Sheriff's Department

#### Members not present:

Chief Ruben Chavez  
Chief Investigator Anna Hazel  
Mayor Pat Nagy  
Chief Ray Reyna  
Sheriff Vern Warnke

Gustine Police Department  
Merced County District Attorney's Office  
City of Gustine  
Los Banos Police Department  
Merced County Sheriff's Office, represented

Other Attendees:

Lieutenant Steve Bassi	Merced County Sheriff's Department
Communications Supervisor	
Marvin Dillsaver	Merced Police Department
Undersheriff Corey Gibson	Merced County Sheriff's Department
Legal Assistant Marlene Glusing	Merced County District Attorney's Office
Sergeant Francisco Martinez	Gustine Police Department
Lieutenant Joe Perez	Merced Police Department

**Public Comments:** Captain Greg Sullivan called for public comment. Having none, the Board moved on to the next agenda item.

- III. **Approval of Minutes:** Captain Greg Sullivan called for the review and motion to approve the Minutes of the February 13, 2024 Board Meeting. District Attorney Nicole Silveira moved to approve the Minutes, and Supervisor Scott Silveira seconded the motion.

IV. **Reports:**

- a. 2024/2025 Budget - Captain Sullivan reported that there is currently \$1,034,790.00 in the Trust Accounts. He said Trust Account 2621 (Automated Fingerprint) has a balance of \$632,405.00, and Trust Account 2875 (Cal ID, Vehicles) has a balance of \$402,385.00, for the total balance of \$1,034,790.00. Captain Sullivan reported that large payments to NEC have been made, and in order to stay fluid, the Board will need to watch their spending. He stated it will cost close to \$300,000 per year for AFIS, Livescan and Mobile ID. Captain Sullivan said that NEC tried to say the Board needed to pay \$20,000 for something that NEC was supposed to have done from the start, but they were able to work it out with NEC without having to pay the \$20,000. Captain Sullivan stated their department has been very diligent about watching NEC.
- b. NEC - Lieutenant Steve Bassi reported that he recently took over for Lieutenant Delray Shelton and is also now overseeing operations of the jail. He stated Crystal Ruiz is a new ID Technician with the Sheriff's Department, who graduated with a degree in Criminal Justice with a concentration in Forensic Science from CSU Stanislaus. Lieutenant Bassi said that the scans have gone from FTP to SFTP, which NEC is doing without any cost to the agencies. He further reported that all agencies should be up and running with their Mobile ID units soon, with the Sheriff's Department being last. He stated the Sheriff's Department's Mobile ID units should be completed by the end of June, 2024. Lieutenant Bassi stated he will meet with ID Technician Jessica Santiago of the Sheriff's Department to set up a point of contact at each agency to inform them when the trainings are completed. He reported that there are currently 60 Mobile ID units in inventory: 6 to the Atwater Police Department, 2 to the Dos Palos Police Department, 2 to

the Gustine Police Department, 6 to the Livingston Police Department, 10 to the Los Banos Police Department, 12 to the Merced Police Department, and 22 to the Sheriff's Department. Sergeant Francisco Martinez of the Gustine Police Department reported that they have their units and have used them a couple of times. Captain Greg Sullivan stated the Sheriff's Department's units will be with Detectives, Patrol and the Coroner's Office. He also reported that ID Technician Jessica Santiago was going to leave the Sheriff's Department to work with the Modesto Police Department, but they were able to keep her with the Sheriff's Department. Merced Police Department Chief Steve Stanfield asked if any agencies are charging citizens for Livescans, and Captain Sullivan stated the Sheriff's Department is charging \$25 per scan, and said all of the agencies should be charging a fee.

- V. **2024/2025 RAN Board Budget for Approval:** Captain Greg Sullivan stated that the Budget goes to the Board of Supervisors in June, requesting \$738,139, which includes \$115,000 for Network connectivity (air cards for all departments), \$70,000 for a full-time CSO for the Los Banos Police Department, \$283,814 for the NEC AFIS/Livescan Contract, and \$ 231,514 for two full-time ID Technicians for the Sheriff's Department. It also includes \$4,000 for the I.D. lab and office supplies for the Sheriff's Department, \$7,000 for I.D. training and travel for the Sheriff's Department, and \$20,411 for the Tyler/Dell Message Switch & Cal Photo Upgrade for the Merced Police Department. Captain Greg Sullivan stated this is the budget for 2024-2025, which starts with the meetings in September after the Final Budget is approved, at which time the Board will need to start working on wants or needs by January, 2025. Supervisor Scott Silveira asked if this includes the annual allotment of \$400,000 to \$500,000 based on revenue from vehicle registrations in Merced County, and leaving off the reserves from NEC, and Captain Greg Sullivan responded that yes, it does, plus some items spent today aren't always spent on supplies, or there are roll overs from one year to the next. He stated that now that we are paying for NEC, the Board needs to watch the money, and may need to make adjustments. Supervisor Scott Silveira made a motion that the Budget be approved, and the motion was seconded by Merced Police Department Chief Steve Stanfield.

- VI. **Old Business:** District Attorney Nicole Silveira stated that Lieutenant Delray Shelton and Chief Deputy District Tom Pfeiff have been in contact with Orange County, who have been involved in some lawsuits. She said Lieutenant Shelton and Chief Deputy Pfeiff are going to travel to Orange County to see how their program works and how to avoid lawsuits. Lieutenant Bassi said he will check with them and will probably go to the meeting.

Merced Police Department Chief Steve Stanfield reported that in place of NIBIN, the ballistics testing will be housed in their central station. He said that it has to be in a secured station and facility, so it will be in an office next to their old dispatch center. He also stated that all agencies will have access to it. Chief Stanfield said everything is ordered and should be completed within 6 months. Captain Greg Sullivan asked how

much it has cost Chief Stanfield's agency, and Chief Stanfield replied it will be over \$50,000 per year for a 3-year lease. First it will be \$56,000, then \$52,000, and then \$58,000. Captain Sullivan commented that it is similar to the payments to NEC, which was over by \$7,000 or less. Chief Stanfield reported that they have about 3,000 firearms to start with, and they will start with the new cases first, then go backwards to the older cases. District Attorney Nicole Silveira asked who will be in charge of the testing, and Chief Stanfield replied that is undecided. He stated training will need to be done and a Lieutenant put in charge of it. District Attorney Nicole Silveira commented that it has been difficult to get rid of firearms in the past.

- VII. New Business:** Merced Co. Sheriff's Lieutenant Steve Bassi reported that the Sheriff's Department has a new automated program for the jail to notify people of where the inmates are located. He said it will notify the victims as well as the staff of Victim/Witness at the District Attorney's Office. Each agency will then be able to order more posters or supplies regarding this program.

**VIII. Comments and Announcements:**

None

- IX. Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

Everyone will be notified of when the next meeting will be.