



MERCED COUNTY REMOTE ACCESS NETWORK BOARD

Members

Ruben Chavez, Chairperson
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Chris Goodwin
Mike Villalta
Daron McDaniel
Gary Brizzee

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018-10:00 a.m.

Merced County District Attorney Office
550 W. Main Street, Merced, California

The regular meeting of the RAN Board was called to order by Chairperson Ruben Chavez at 10:06 am.

RAN Board members present:

Chief Ruben Chavez	Livingston Police Department
Captain Greg Sullivan	Merced County Sheriff's Office Designee
Chief Bill Olson	Merced District Attorney's Office Designee
Acting Chief Chris Goodwin	Merced Police Department
Mike Villalta	Los Banos Mayor
Chief Gary Brizzee	Los Banos Police Department

RAN Board members not in attendance or represented:

Daron McDaniel	Merced County Board of Supervisors
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Other Attendees:

Mary Rose Rutikanga	Merced County Sheriff's Office
Chief Rich McEachin	Dos Palos Police Department

Public Comment – None

Approval of Minutes – Motion by Chief Olson, Seconded by Acting Chief Goodwin, passed unanimously

Budget Discussion – A summary of the budget was provided as to item 18-1 encompassing all approved items. Captain Sullivan outlined the County Budget approval process. All agencies were reminded that if any Project Funding Requests are needed which meet the RAN Funding guidelines, please submit. Any items under \$5,000 do not need to go to the County Board, however items over that amount are required to be approved by the County Board of Supervisors. Items 18-1, also referred to as the "County RAN Board Budget" was approved unanimously by the board. On further discussion, Chief Brizzee inquired whether RAN resources were available to cover the annual agency costs for the CLETS switch. It was discussed that it was a possibility for

future requests, however at this juncture, all agencies had already included these costs in their annual budgets and the RAN Board will entertain this item in the future.

The following projects are voted as follows:

17-4	Livingston Police	CLETS Server	\$5595.53	Approved (1 abstention)
17-5	Livingston Police	SRO Mobile Computer	\$4158.45	Approved (1 abstention)
17-6	Merced DA	ID Fingerprint Hood	\$5,568.95	Approved (1 abstention)
18-1	Merced SO	Cal-ID Budget	\$680,944.00	Approved
18-2	Merced SO	Mobile Computers	\$151,247	Approved (1 abstention)
18-3	Los Banos PD	FT CSO	\$65,500	Approved
18-4	Merced PD	CLETS Switch	\$14,162.00	Approved
18-5	County Wide	Broadband	\$130,000.00	Approved
18-6	Livingston PD	mobile Computers	\$19,625.00	Approved

Recent Budget Audit: – Captain Sullivan provided a summary of the recent State Audit that was conducted at the Sheriff’s Office on several trust funds including the RAN Fund. Many questions were asked and answered and as a result, a report was produced that addressed these funds statewide, refer to the State Auditors website under report 2017-126. Captain Sullivan discussed a DNA fund which primarily supports agencies with Crime Labs, which Merced County does not have.

Mary Rose provided some future possible options where funding could be amended by the County Board with an MOU in place for all agencies to utilize the resources for projects related to DNA. Mary Rose discussed that many of the penalty assessments have been reduced and is having an impact to the county budget. The DNA budget has over 1 million and is seldom used due to the fact the county lacks a Crime Lab. Mayor Villalta proposed possible options of using the fund somehow to the benefit of each agency for mobile crime labs of sort. The possible funding of projects such as crime vans for each agency will be discussed at a future meeting, however at this time, much work is being done to determine if this is an option.

Captain Sullivan briefly discussed the status of Mobile ID and the technology issues that Merced is currently experiencing. The Cal ID funding of fingerprints kits is an authorized expenditure from the RAN board as are the administrative costs for the County related to supportive roles of the RAN goals. Mary Rose concluded by saying she is looking at modifying the Resolution and changing the MOU to include the DNA fund for usage.

Next Meeting – Tuesday, September 25, 2018.

The meeting concluded at 10:40 am