



**BABCNC Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting Draft Minutes**  
**Thursday , September 13, 2018 7:00 pm**  
**Bel Air Ridge Clubhouse - 2760 Claray Los Angeles, CA 90077**  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

The BABCNC Emergency Preparedness Committee welcomes the public to speak on any topic not on the adopted agenda within its purview during Public Comment. The public is requested to fill out a Speaker Card to address the Committee on any agenda item before action is taken on an item. The meeting is being audio-recorded.

| Name  |   | me  |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Chuck Maginnis, BABCNC EP Committee Chair & At-Large Representative; Bel Air Rd. EP Captain; CERT | x | Michael Schlenker, Bel Air Crest EP Chair; BABCNC EP HCEC Communications Committee Chair; LAFD ACS & CERT | x |   |
| Maureen Smith, BABCNC Religious Institutions Representative                                       | x | Ron Cornell, Bel Air Ridge Chair EP Committee, HCEC Ham Radio Group                                       | x |   |
| Irene Sandler, BABCNC Bel Air Crest Master Association Representative                             | x | Dan Palmer, BABCNC Residents of Beverly Glen (ROBG) Representative EP Chair                               | x |   |
| Jacqueline Le Kennedy, BABCNC Business Rep. & Treasurer   | x | Hildreth Simmons, Residents of Beverly Glen (ROBG) EP Committee member                                    |   | x |
| Danielle Cohen, Bel Air Ridge Resident; EPAC Co-chair, Ham/CERT                                   | x | Seema Hassan, Doheny-Sunset Plaza Neighborhood Association (DSPNA)  |   | x |
| Stephanie Savage, BABCNC's LCA Rep.   |   | Rob Farber, BABCNC's At-Large Youth Representative  | x |   |

1. **Call to order – Chuck Maginnis, Chair** called the meeting to order at 7:12pm.
2. **Roll Call and Introduction of Attendees:** Roll was taken with 6 committee members present initially; Dan & Irene arrived at 7:16pm, for a total of 8 present and 4 absent.  
**Attendees:**  
 Robin Greenberg, BAHA, BABCNC  
 Maureen Levinson, BAA, BABCNC  
Joan Herman, Bel Air Ridge, EP Committee  
 Jennifer Wade, Doheny Sunset-Plaza Neighborhood Association (DSPNA)  
 Shelley Seltzer, Colina Glen HOA, Treasurer on the Board of her HOA  
 Emily Ooms, Colina Glen EP Committee  
 Tensie Palmer, Residents of Beverly Glen  
 Cathy Palmer, BABCNC Administrator/Minutes taker  
**Guest Speakers:**  
 Art Kirkland & Kurt Kainsinger, Directors UCLA Health Emergency Management & Medical Center, Emergency Preparedness at UCLA.  
 Walt Young, MRCA stopped by briefly at the start of the meeting
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Approval of July 18, 2018 Minutes** Moved by Rob; seconded by Michael; approved.

## 5. Public Comment:

**Walt Young, MRCA:** 1) Brushing: They are all done. 2) They support the weed whacker posture, as to no metal blades and fire suppression required. 3) Under Red Flag, they are a 24-hour operation with law enforcement rangers and fire fighter patrols on Mulholland. He noted that we want us up there; funded from the Benefit Assessment District. He noted that he will be gone; has a part time job is with the Feds on a health and human services team, UN General Assembly; he is actively engaged with hurricanes; he may be able to speak on lessons learned in December when he returns.

**Michael Schlenker** mentioned Grayce Liu's need for EP Resiliency Plan for neighborhood councils. He would like to put this on the agenda. He opined that having a broad scope of how we plan to get our residents up on our feet needs to be part of the city plan.

**Chuck** mentioned Cathy Wayne's update on Resiliency. Kevin Johnson sent an email to Chuck.

## 6. UCLA Medical Center & Campus Emergency Plan

■ Art Kirkland & Kurt Kainsinger, Directors UCLA Health Emergency Management & Medical Center, Emergency Preparedness at UCLA.

**Kurt Kainsinger** related that he represents the hospitals and clinics throughout the region; his team is responsible for being prepared for any emergency that might occur that will affect them, and take care of their patient population, both the existing and the oncoming, as a result of the emergency. Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center includes Level I Trauma Center for the region; multispecialty, emerging infectious disease center –State-designated Ebola, Zika, measles, MERs, and any types of disease outbreaks, plus is a Disaster Resource Center. They have supplies deployable to anywhere in the County. They meet with various hospitals and have a joint response plan that shares contact info. They work collectively with independent care centers.

Kurt Kainsinger presents UCLA Hospital Operations while Art Kirkland listens.



**Our Environment:** We live in a hazard-prone region; in a high population density area. Our top hazards 1) earthquakes; 2) mass casualty incident – trauma; 3) epidemic/pandemic; 4) wildfire; 4) flood.

**Ronald Reagan Medical Center** handled the Metrorail incident in 2009 with 235 total victims; 65 of them were distributed to every trauma center in County of LA; They received 8 patients of that incident at Ronald Reagan who arrived via helicopter, all of whom had to go to surgery quickly and they had a challenge to get them there quickly.

**Disaster Planning:** There are many regulatory agency requirements and accreditation standards, for how hospitals plan for disasters; requires comprehensive emergency management and 96-hour sustainability planning. They employ an “island model” have to fend for themselves on what they have on site, 96 hours for four days.

**Plan Activation Triggers:** Code Triage External Disaster activation due to a community incident from which patients will be transported to the hospital. Activator is generally ED attending MD, Nursing Supervisor or administrator on call.

Below, from left, back and front: Cathy Palmer, Maureen Smith, Robin Greenberg, Dan Palmer, Tensie Palmer, Danielle Cohen, Rob Farber, Michael Schlenker, Irene Sandler, Ron Cornell, Jennifer Wade, Emily Ooms and Shelly Seltzer listen to both Kurt and Art’s presentations.



**General Surge Strategies:** Getting an influx of patients. Hospital runs at full capacity every day; what do you employ to take on extra patients? They have 23 ORs, which are typically being used; how to reverse-triage those patients there to free up resources for those who need the care in a more rapid manner? Sometimes they will have to double-occupy single-patient rooms, which they are not licensed for but in a disaster have plans to double up. They use alternate care sites; and make sure they have adequate resources.

During a disaster they will set up triage in the street. If traumatic injury with vital signs stable enough, those patients will be staged outside. If minor injury or not worried, you’ll wait in another area. They have a discharge holding area and people will be staged in another building, where they may need minimal care while waiting to be taken home.

**Assumptions:** In a trauma surge, 85% will be minor to moderate and 15% serious injuries. Less injured arrive earlier than more seriously injured. They go into Gate Keeper Triage Mode. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) will spread patients out to many hospitals but 80% of victims may bypass EMS and go to nearest facility, showing up by private vehicle.

**Inpatient Hospital Surge:** They cancel elective procedures or close early, and convert overflow areas into inpatient beds; selectively discharge patients who are safe to go; and step down from ICU to lower level care; double patients in single patient rooms, create alternate spaces for inpatient beds where possible, e.g., aisles, cafeteria, etc.

**Surge Resources:** Disaster resource center (DRC) Surge Trailers; carts of medical supplies; pharmaceutical cache with meds, chemical weapon antidotes in bulk supply. They have a right of first use but can deploy anywhere in the county where needed. They have equipment caches.

**Surge Capacity** involves the space, the staff, the stuff, the equipment, the systems, the level of organization to make it all work.

**The Bigger Picture:** They work closely with partners in the County of LA; hubs spread out throughout the county, each of which has the equipment, supplies, as noted above. They meet monthly. The County operates the medical alert center. They have robust communication systems, e.g., satellites.

Some of the drugs to be used in certain circumstances may expire but if they do they may still be used. Depending on the disaster, they have emergency credentialing procedures in place, a registry of volunteers across the country, including validating credentials for those over state lines. They will take licensed independent practitioners and do emergency credentialing if they don't have the staff but he anticipates that they'll use the staff that they have.

Chuck mentioned Colina Glen, which provides housing for UCLA and asked about Cedars Sinai Medical Center (CSMC). Kurt noted that there are 13 DRC regions with co-DRCs (disaster resource center), and noted that their DRC is interchangeable with CSMC's. Long Beach also has two DRCs. Chuck asked about their preparation for dealing with a nuclear attack.

Rob asked if there is anything that they would need for an organization like this, to which Kurt noted that we need to take care of ourselves. He would ask us to keep doing what we are doing so we won't be another patient that they'll have to absorb into the hospital.

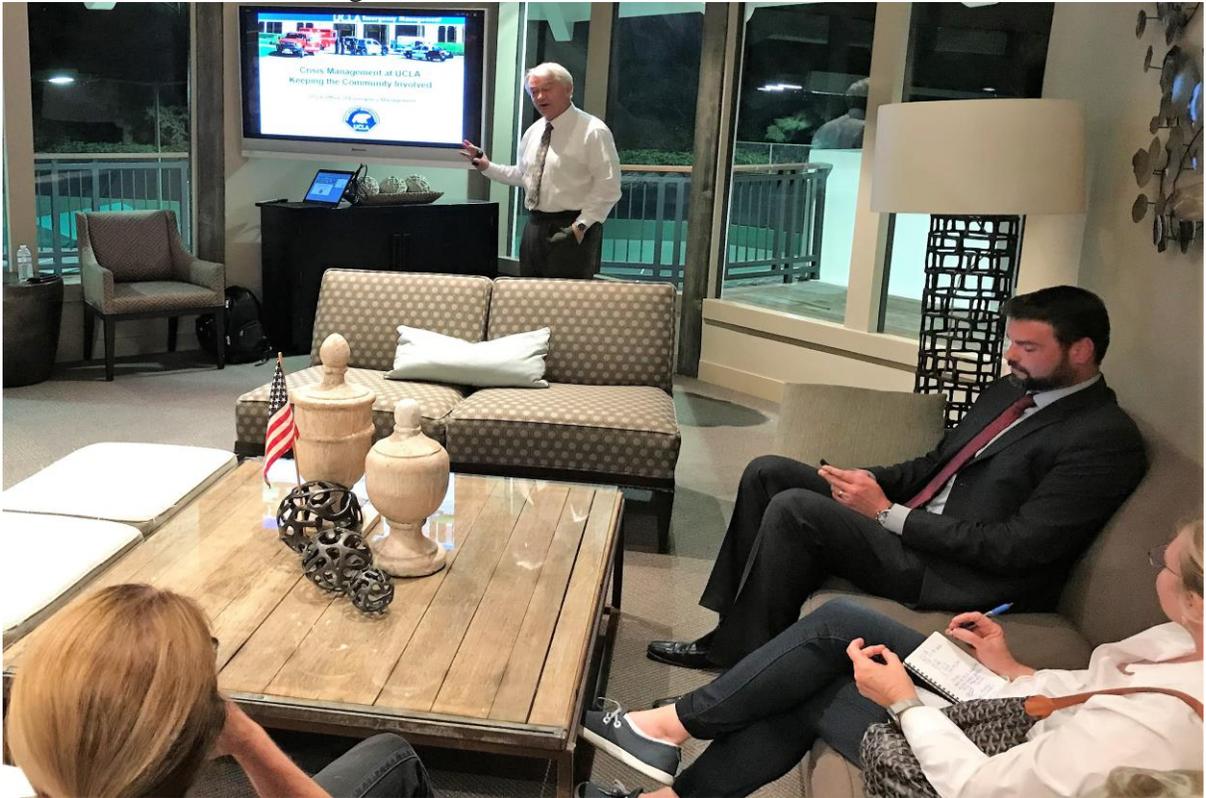
Jennifer asked about how they communicate who is at their facility. Kurt responded that they have a hotline number; staff is plugged into the "ready-net system," which allows them to search for patients who have been taken to any hospital.

Maureen asked about UCLA's payphone, to which Kurt responded that it has been removed.

**Art Kirkland**, Director of Emergency Management at UCLA, related recent history of disasters in the last four years, since 2014 as to the University and how we interact with each other. He noted that we look at different types of hazards. Emergency Operations Center (Support) -> Incident Command Post, -> Wardens (Field) – and back around.

**Emergency Assembly Area (EAA)** is a centralized location for full campus evacuation. They have 14,000 on-campus residents. "UCLA will never close." If they have to evacuate the campus, they do it in zones, one zone at a time, to relieve congestion. In response to a moderate earthquake, a major flood or hazard spill.

Below Art Kirkland presents UCLA campus preparedness while from left: Joan Herman, Maureen Levinson and Kurt Kainsinger listen.



**Bruin Alert:** They have a great emergency alert system: Add preferred method of contact; add phone numbers; add email addresses.

**Bruins Safe Online:** [www.BSO.ucla.edu](http://www.BSO.ucla.edu) They have several screens, a red screen and a yellow screen, which shows, during an emergency, regular updates every 15 minutes. The long version is on the yellow page. UCLA newsroom gets their information from them.

**App - UCLA Bruin or Twitter.** You can sign up for it and for the BSO. They are intended to spread the word. The app is free.

**Personal Preparedness:** Get a Kit & Make a Plan. Plan on being self sufficient! They plan for 5-7 days. They are not prepared to receive a big influx of people.

**Resilient Bruins Prepare:** IND; LA Airforce Base, Port and DTLA would be more likely targets. If it happens, they'll treat it like an earthquake or flood. Dirty Bombs are a greater threat, tend to be localized; decontamination process is more complicated. He related that the risk will cause more psychological damage than physical damage, and damage to the reputation of the area, which could have economic impacts.

He is excited to hear about our CERT training here. They do a lot of CERT training of staff and students. CERT team volunteered for a drill. They teach CPR. In their warden program, they teach "stop the bleed."

To get in touch with them, [WWW.BSO.UCLA.EDU](http://WWW.BSO.UCLA.EDU) BSO.ucla.edu 310 825-6800

[UCLAOEM@EHS.UCLA.EDU](mailto:UCLAOEM@EHS.UCLA.EDU) his email address. Office of Emergency Management.

Twitter: @UCLABruinAlert

They have a student run ham radio group on campus.

Michael discussed ham communications with UCLA. Art: They have a ham at each hospital; problem is getting into the building. Art: It will be up and running.

Maureen noted that on Thursday September 20<sup>th</sup> there will be a nationwide wireless emergency alert @ 11:18 and 11:20.

## **7. “Ready Your LA Neighborhood” (RYLAN) Updates /Progress**

- Ben Park, Doheny Sunset, Shelley, Susan & other HOA leads

Ben was unable to attend due to a conflict mentioned well in advance. Jennifer Wade noted that Seema held a meeting and is out of the country. Shelly Seltzer related that they just finished their 7<sup>th</sup> class in CERT training. Their HOA had a board meeting with a motion to fund a \$3,000 for EP supplies, small generators, fuel cylinders, medical supply kit, water source drums and kits, and smaller items. Shelly thanked this committee for providing her with experts and speakers. She hopes to have a drill for CERT and RYLAN.

## **8. Weed Whacker, CERT, HAM & Sept 29Valley EP Fair Updates**

- Chuck Maginnis & Michael Schlenker:

Chuck related that the BABCNC approved the motion that was recommended by this EP Committee, to ask for a letter. Chuck spoke with Chief Patrick Hayden a week ago, about all 12 points. He discussed with him having the gardener carry an extinguisher in a backpack.

Maureen learned that the best extinguisher on fires is water, so she bought two water extinguishers, which she put on the hillsides. Chuck discussed idea of connecting hoses together so that the gardener can have access to water for long distances while doing clearance.

Michael related that you can order a fire hose from [www.firehosedirect.com](http://www.firehosedirect.com) which delivers to your house.

Michael recommended having committee business prior to guest speakers.

Chuck read from “We Are Laurel Canyon” flyer, about the meeting that they are holding this evening.

Irene mentioned the proposed Mission Canyon Park, in CD11, which will be built on Mission Canyon Dump site/landfills, and discussed the safety and traffic impacts for people using Sepulveda. Ron recommended that the HOAs be notified.

Michael announced the Valley EP Fair. [www.ValleyDisasterFair.com](http://www.ValleyDisasterFair.com) Saturday 09-29 9:00

9. **Adjournment:** Moved by Dan, seconded by Daniel and the meeting adjourned at 9:06 pm

**Next Meeting: TBD**