



Santa Cruz County Commission on Disabilities

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Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, January 12, 2017
Time: 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Place: Regional Transportation Commission Offices, 1523 Pacific Ave, Santa Cruz CA 95060
Present: Becky Taylor, Ernestina Saldana, Felipa de Leon, Janet Crosse, Sylvia Luna, John Daugherty
Absent: Michael Bush
Guests: Dulce Lizarraga-Chagolla (CCIL), Bernadette Koleszar (Intern)
Excused: Brenda Gutierrez Baeza
Staff: Aimee Mangan, Coordinator

1. Call to Order: Meeting was convened at 12:44pm.
2. Roll Call
 - a. Commissions Coordinator will send letter to Michael Bush to check in and see if Commission can support him in getting to meetings.
3. Approval of December 3, 2016 minutes.
Motion/Second: de Leon/Crosse. Passed unanimously.
4. Addition/ Deletion to Agenda:
 - a. Commissioners considered adding a Staff Report section onto future Agendas.
Motion/ Second: Taylor/ Daugherty. Passed unanimously.
 - b. Biennial Report due at end of the month. Commissions Coordinator asked to distribute copies for Commissioners to review and make suggestions as needed.
 - c. Item 8.1 Vacancies: Bylaw Review is old.
5. Public unscheduled presentations and announcements to the Commission
 - a.) Saldana reported that she has been working with the County related to undocumented persons and the ACA (Affordable Care Act).
 - b.) Daugherty reported on the 30th ReUnion of the Western Workers Labor Heritage Festival in Santa Cruz, Sunday, January 15, starting at noon. It will bring together cultural activists to share Dr. King's legacy to address the current crisis of environmental, racial, sexual and economic injustice. He will send information to Commissions Coordinator to distribute to other Commissioners.
6. Metro Update:
 - a.) J. Daugherty suggested that people sign up for text updates from Metro to get most up to date information. Measure D passed which will provide funding for 20 years and the community can monitor and keep Metro accountable.
7. Crosswalks, roadways – accessibility update
De Leon reported out on current conditions at Freedom Boulevard due to construction. De Leon will be in touch with Public Works and report back.

8. New Business
 - 8.1 Vacancies: Bylaw Review: Old item, remove from Agenda.
 - 8.2 Employment Subcommittee: Table until March.
 - 8.3 Retreat: Table until March.
 - 8.4 Social Media – facebook page: Let’s maintain page.

9. On-going Business
 - 9.1. Status Reports on Commission projects
 - 9.1.1 Accessibility Awareness Month
 - 9.1.1.1 Subcommittee to meet soon
 - 9.1.1.2 Interns - Currently have two active Interns.
 - 9.1.2 IHSS Advisory Body Report – Will meet next month.
 - 9.1.3 Disaster Preparedness – Table until March.
 - 9.1.3.1 NIXL – implementation, promotion and procedures – Table until March.

10. Emerging Matters that may require Commission action:

Daugherty encouraged Commissioners to be vigilant about ACA and medical funding.

11. New action item assignments and timetables:
 - a.) Commissioners would like to have a Social Media subcommittee that creates and maintains a facebook page to raise awareness, provide information, resources announcements and promote local events. Gutierrez-Baeza and Taylor will be leads and the Commissions Coordinator will support them.
 - b.) Commissions Coordinator will look into creating a link on the County Commission on Disabilities website to place Meeting Minutes.

12. Adjournment at 2:12pm

Next Meeting: February 9th, 2017 from 12:30 – 2pm at the Regional Transportation Commission Offices, 1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Respectfully Submitted:
Aimee Mangan
Commission Coordinator