



Santa Cruz County Commission on Disabilities

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Meeting Minutes

DATE: Thursday, March 14, 2019
TIME: 12:30 PM to 2:00 PM
LOCATION: Regional Transportation Commission Office
1523 Pacific Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
PRESENT: John Daugherty (*Co-Chair – 1st District*), Janet Crosse (*2nd District*), Stacie Grijalva (*2nd District*), Becky Taylor (*3rd District*), David Molina (*5th District*), Lynn Stipes (*5th District*)
EXCUSED: Brenda Gutierrez Baeza (*4th District*)
STAFF: Britt Harmssen, *EEO Officer*, Kaite McGrew, *Commissions Coordinator*
GUESTS: Juan Magaña (*IHSS Public Authority Manager*), Thelma Brown

1. Call to Order: Meeting convened at 12:33 PM.
2. Roll Call and Introductions
Commission welcomed new Commissioner Stacie Grijalva.
3. Approve January 10, 2019 Minutes
Motion/Second: Stipes/Crosse
Ayes: Daugherty, Crosse, Taylor, Molina, Stipes
Abstain: Grijalva
Motion passed.
4. Additions/Deletions to Agenda
County presentation pended until after New Business.
5. Public: Unscheduled Presentations and Announcements to the Commission: None
6. New Business/Action Items
 - 6.1. Election of Co-Chair
Approve tabling the Co-Chair election until the elections scheduled for the April meeting
Motion/Second: Stipes/Molina
Motion passed unanimously.
 - 6.2. Authorize Joint Retreat Format
Commission discussed the proposed format and topic, with an emphasis on interaction and connection between commissioners of different commissions. Each Commission will provide leadership for one of the three topics. Magaña encouraged the Commissioners to attend the March 22nd IHSS Commission meeting as guests.
Motion to authorize Staff to proceed with proposed format/Second: Crosse/Taylor
Motion passed unanimously.
7. Presentation: Operational Plan Update from County Administrative Office
Harmssen presented an update on the County's Operational Plan, including focus areas, goals, strategies and objectives. The plan is the first step in a long-term vision to change the County culture. The Commission expressed particular interest in Sustainable Environment initiatives which includes renovation of park spaces for greater accessibility.

8. Commission Reports

8.1. Metro/Measure D

Daugherty reported that Metro is recruiting for a Marketing and Customer Service Manager and have hired the largest number of drivers trained for Paracruz to date.

8.2. History

Daugherty is compiling a Commission history including Commissioners, legislative and community impact, reports and recommendations, events and activities. The history will be featured in a Community Art Wall exhibit, and as a portable display for events.

8.3. Legislation – No Report

8.4. IHSS – No Report

9. Subcommittee Updates

9.1. Recreation Subcommittee – No Report

9.2. Accessibility Awareness Subcommittee

Taylor will email to coordinate regular subcommittee meeting times.

9.3. Kudos Awards Subcommittee – No Report

9.4. Housing Subcommittee– No Report

9.5. Social Media Subcommittee – No Report

9.6. Resource Directory Subcommittee – No Report

9.7. Emergency Preparedness Subcommittee – No Report

10. Staff Report

10.1. The Board of Supervisors received and acknowledged the 2017-2018 Biennial Report.

10.2. Commissioners will email Staff regarding accessible parking requirements for the Joint Retreat. Staff will follow up with General Services regarding parking options.

10.3. Gutierrez Baeza translated the vacancy flier which was posted online, on the Community Art Wall, on the website, and emailed to the Commission mailing list. Daugherty is working with a community partner distribution list.

10.4. The Watsonville County building has meeting space available for a South County meeting.

10.5. *County EEO Plan* is in the process of internal County review and will be brought before the Commission when that process is complete.

11. Emerging Matters that May Require Commission Action

11.1. Molina reported on a recent situation involving a lost child with autism. The child was located, but the interaction between the responding officer and the parent of the child raised some questions about sensitivity training for law enforcement. Harmssen will follow up and report back to the Commission.

11.2. Taylor requested that the Commissioners consider if and how the Commission could appear on local radio station KSQD. The topic will be added to the next agenda.

Adjournment at 2:07 PM

Submitted: Kaite McGrew, *Commissions Coordinator*