



# Santa Cruz County Commission on Disabilities

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## Meeting Minutes

DATE: Thursday, April 11, 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 – 1<sup>st</sup> District*), Janet Crosse (*2<sup>nd</sup> District*), Stacie Grijalva (*2<sup>nd</sup> District*), Becky Taylor (*3<sup>rd</sup> District*), Brenda Gutierrez Baeza (*4<sup>th</sup> District*), Lynn Stipes (*5<sup>th</sup> District*), David Molina (*5<sup>th</sup> District*)  
EXCUSED: None  
STAFF: Kaite McGrew (*Commissions Coordinator*)  
GUESTS: Thelma Brown, Richard Gallo, Maria Magaña

1. Call to Order: Meeting convened at 12:31 PM.
2. Roll Call
3. **Approve March 14, 2019 Minutes**  
Minutes amended to include guest Thelma Brown's name.  
Motion/Second: Molina/Crosse  
**Motion as amended passed unanimously.**
4. Additions/Deletions to Agenda
5. Public: Unscheduled Presentations and Announcements to the Commission:  
Richard Gallo, Santa Cruz Ambassador for ACCESS California, reported on ACCESS California activities, including their Annual Client and Leadership Survey. Gallo will follow up with additional information.
6. New Business/Action Items
  - 6.1. Election of Officers  
**Approve John Daugherty as Commission Chair.**  
Motion/Second: Taylor/Crosse  
**Motion passed unanimously.**  
**Approve David Molina as Commission Vice Chair.**  
Motion/Second: Stipes/Crosse  
**Motion passed unanimously.**
  - 6.2. KQSD Community Radio Opportunity  
Commission discussed potential opportunities to participate with KQSD, a new local radio station that also produces podcasts. Staff will report back with any County guidelines for participation.  
**Approve changing the Social Media Subcommittee to the Media Subcommittee with new members (Molina, Stipes, Taylor, Grijalva and Staff) to address the issue.**  
Motion/Second: Molina/Gutierrez Baeza  
**Motion passed unanimously.**

## 7. Commission Reports

### 7.1. Metro/Measure D

7.1.1. Daugherty reported that Paracruz has never provided free election day rides, however Liftline previously had a contract with the County until the County determined that it would be more cost effective to use a taxi service. Stipes will follow up with the County internally.

7.1.2. Daugherty reported that Metro has removed benches from several bus stop enclosures to discourage loitering. The action has created additional barriers for persons with disabilities who are trying to access Metro services. The next Metro Advisory Committee meeting is on April 17<sup>th</sup> if Commissioners would like to express their concerns.

### 7.2. History

Daugherty is working with Staff to develop a plan for the Commission history project.

### 7.3. Legislation – No Report

### 7.4. IHSS – No Report

## 8. Subcommittee Updates

### 8.1. Recreation Subcommittee

8.1.1. Crosse reported that LEO's Haven and their community partners will host the second annual Accessible Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at Twin Lakes Church.

8.1.2. Molina will contact local Junior Life Guards organizations to discuss their possibly providing swimming lessons for children with developmental disabilities.

### 8.2. Accessibility Awareness Subcommittee – No Report

### 8.3. Kudos Awards Subcommittee

Staff will reserve the Scotts Valley Public Library Fireside Room for either November 16<sup>th</sup> or November 9<sup>th</sup>. Stipes will invite Supervisor McPherson to be Master of Ceremonies.

**Approve new Subcommittee members: Gutierrez Baeza, Daugherty, Taylor, Crosse and Staff.**

Motion/Second: Stipes/Taylor

**Motion passed unanimously.**

### 8.4. Housing Subcommittee– No Report

### 8.5. Media Subcommittee – No Report

### 8.6. Resource Directory Subcommittee – No Report

### 8.7. Emergency Preparedness Subcommittee – No Report

## 9. Staff Report

9.1. Joint Retreat topic leaders and table members have been assigned. Planning is ongoing.

**Approve retreat agenda and format**

Motion/Second: Molina/Crosse

**Motion passed unanimously.**

9.2. Notice of vacancies was featured in the Sentinel Coastlines column resulting in requests for information from two potential applicants.

## 10. Emerging Matters that May Require Commission Action - None

Adjournment at 1:58 PM

Submitted: Kaite McGrew, *Commissions Coordinator*