



COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES

MINUTES – 4/25/2024

Commission on Disabilities (CoD) General Meeting

Meeting Date: Thursday, April 25, 2024, 3:00 – 5:00 PM

Location: 455 County Center, Room COB 101, Redwood City, CA

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Item No.	Item Description	Person(s) Responsible	Item Allotted Time
1.	<u>Review and Approval of Minutes and Agenda:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Commissioners Present: Florence Wong, Syroun Sanossian, Angela Piazza, Gurpreet Padam, Tryn Miller, Evan Milburn, Robert Hall, Janet BorgensCommissioners Excused: Matthew Cadigan Hearn and Lisa WeinerCommissioners Absent: Steven Van and Ligia Andrade ZunigaApproval of Minutes from March meetingApproval of Agenda	Angela Piazza, CoD President Andrew Eng, CoD staff liaison	5 min
2.	<u>Meeting Etiquette Reminders</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Always raise your hand before speaking and wait your turnNo one may speak unless called upon by the President of the CommissionAlways use a microphone when speakingMembers of the public joining via Zoom may raise their hand if they wish to comment<ul style="list-style-type: none">To raise your hand by phone, dial *9All attendees are reminded to treat each other with respect in all meetings	Andrew Eng	1 min
3.	<u>Public Comments:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">None	Angela Piazza	5 min
4.	<u>President's Report</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Election for officers will be held	Angela Piazza	2 min
5.	<u>Staff Report:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Lee Pullen, Director, Aging and Adult Services<ul style="list-style-type: none">IHSS Public Authority Advisory Committee<ul style="list-style-type: none">Lee is making it a priority to find a way to improve the effectiveness of the committee	AAS Staff	20 min

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrew Eng, CoD Staff Liaison <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lucy Williams, former commissioner has passed, memorial service is on May 18th ○ Sarah O'Brien's passing was also mentioned ○ Recruitment Ideas and Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Make a stronger effort to invite agencies that serve the disabled community to our Commission meetings to bring further exposure of the CoD ▪ Tabling in general is important, especially at public events ▪ Target organizations that serve minority populations to help underrepresented communities ▪ Building a CoD community list to improve our reach ▪ Highlight to agencies that certain seats should be filled by certain disabilities ▪ Reach out to Sheridan Nicholau ask to share recruitment announcement ▪ Ask CEO to advertise a Board and Commissions "fair" ▪ Creating a script for City Council meetings to pitch recruitment, and inform the Board ahead of time of where we are going ▪ Contact the California Children's Services ▪ Parks and Recreation departments have programs meant for people with disabilities, it would be worth while exploring that as a recruiting avenue ▪ Reach out to agencies like FAR to their meetings ▪ Workability is another highlighted agency to reach out to ▪ Recruitment flyer will need to be ready before Inclusion Festival as a way to get interested parties to meet with the Commission ▪ Week of service in San Carlos ▪ Art and Wine Festivals, Farmer's Markets 		
6.	<p><u>Nominating Committee</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion and vote to form Nominating Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Motion to form Nominating Committee by Commissioner Miller ○ Second by Commissioner Wong ○ Volunteers needed for committee and chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Robert Hall ▪ Janet Borgens ○ Andrew to ask Jan Ellard if committee can meet remotely as an ad-hoc 		10 min
7.	<u>Liaison Report Updates</u>	Liaisons	35

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioners providing liaison reports should keep their update to 3 minutes • Written liaison reports will be posted to the Commission on Disabilities webpage: https://www.smchealth.org/general-information/commission-disabilities-meetings • Commission on Aging Report out by Commissioner Hall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Committees are realigning to match with the State Master Plan ○ Reported on Committee work, such as Middle Income and Resource Access ○ Middle Income has worked with DOR to try and get older adults employed part time ○ Other issue identified is affordability of nursing care ○ Transportation to be available to where people live is a focus to help combat isolation ○ Aging in place was also identified as an important area of need ○ Age friendly cities initiatives were also discussed 		min
8.	<p><u>CoD Committee Reports:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Committee – Angela Piazza, President <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discussion and vote to approve event planning check list and letter template <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion by Commissioner Milburn ▪ Second by Commissioner Miller ▪ Unanimously approved ○ Suggestion was made to share the Accessibility Event Checklist from the SF Mayor’s Office on Disabilities with the County’s Title II Coordinator ○ Andrew to send final copies to all Commissioners • Special Events Committee – Angela Piazza, Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Inclusion Festival Planning Ad-hoc update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fundraising is a focus for the Commission ▪ Request was made for t-shirts for the Inclusion Festival • ADA Compliance Committee – Janet Borgens, Vice Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Toured County Office Building 3 ○ Commissioners provided feedback regarding ways to improve the accessibility of the building ○ Elysian site visit will be planned ○ Parks is working on plans for an accessible Amphitheatre in Pacifica • Youth and Family Committee – Andrew Eng <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discussion and vote to temporarily move committee work under Legislation, Advocacy and Outreach Committee until enough Commissioners can join this committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Motion by Commissioner Borgens ▪ Second by Commissioner Milburn 	Chairs	3 minutes per chair

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Unanimously approved • Legislation, Advocacy and Outreach Committee – Janet Borgens and Evan Milburn, Chairs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Committee met to refocus its efforts in serving the local community ○ Emergency Needs Survey has been drafted to collect information to share with the County of San Mateo ○ Committee will continue its monitoring of legislation effecting the disabled community ○ Committee also discussed the upcoming meeting for the Abuse Roundtable Group where Florence will discuss the PowerPoint ○ San Mateo PD will provide an update on their Crisis Response Team ○ Foster City PD will also discuss their new Crisis Response Team • Accessible Transportation Committee – Andrew Eng <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A panel presentation on the County’s Emergency Preparedness will be provided at the June or August General Meeting ○ Committee will be postponing meetings until panel presentation has concluded 		
9.	<u>Agenda Items for Next Commission Meeting</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	All	2 min
10.	<u>Final Comments</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	All	5 min
11.	<u>Adjournment:</u> Next Meeting Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Wong Second by Commissioner Milburn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next Meeting: Thursday, May 23, 2024 • Location: 455 County Center, Room 101, Redwood City, CA 94063 	All	

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