

Minutes for the Monterey County Commission on Disabilities



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MONDAY, March 26, 2007 2:00 PM

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MONTEREY COUNTY COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES
Monterey County Administration Building
Monterey Room (2092), Second Floor
168 W. Alisal Street, Salinas CA 93901

I. ROLL CALL AND GREETING OF VISITORS – Chair Pinio called the meeting to order at 2:05.

Commissioners Present – Alma Almanza, MaryLea Almeida, James Bogan, Anna Foglia, Carmelita Garcia, Eric Heckman, Carolyn Hinds, and John Pinio.

Commissioners Not Present – Manuel Ramos.

Guest and Staff Present – Lance Atencio, MV Transportation General Manager; Assistant County Counsel Lee Blankenship; Associate Equal Opportunity Analyst Sonjé Dayries; and Administrative Secretary Confidential Elisa Cantu.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of January 29, 2007 meeting and February 26, 2007 meeting were approved.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Barbara Flynn

Barbara Flynn, Health Services Director at Central Coast Alliance For Health (CAAH), discussed changes CAAH will be making in non-emergency medical transportation services. Effective April 1, 2007, CAAH will only provide transportation covered by Medi-Cal and transportation for dialysis (which is not covered by Medi-Cal). CAAH will continue door to door service. However, there will be group rides instead of individual service. MV Transportation was selected to provide the transportation. Ms. Flynn stated that all recipients

have been notified of the changes. She asked that commissioners who hear of any concerns about the program contact Commissioner Almeida.

B. Maia Carroll

Maia Carroll, Monterey County Communications Coordinator, suggested a variety of ways in which the commission could utilize the media. Ms. Carroll stated that the commission should first decide what is the outcome it expects to achieve by using the media. Suggestions for getting information out to the public included targeting specialty newsletters, the Monterey County government channel, the community section of the Salinas Californian newspaper, a meeting with an editor to explain what a resource the COD could be, and press releases.

C. Approve 2007 Goals

Commissioner Hinds made a motion to approve the 2007 goals; motion seconded and carried.

D. Approve Outreach Committee recommendation to recognize AT&T

Commissioner Bogan made a motion to recognize AT&T; motion seconded and carried.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Outreach Committee Report – Commissioner Bogan distributed a Nominee form developed by the Outreach Committee. Chair Pinio will give a copy of the AT&T recognition letter to Maia Carroll and ask her to draft a press release.

Ad Hoc Membership Drive Committee Report – Commissioner Heckman reported on the recommendations developed by the committee. The committee will make follow up calls to the cities in two weeks. Commissioner Foglia volunteered to contact Seaside. Chair Pinio will contact Public Works Director Ron Lundquist about a replacement for the General Services vacancy. .

VI. ANNOUNCEMENT AND EVENTS

Commissioner Foglia announced that Hope Services is sponsoring two E-waste events to be held on April 17, 2007 from 10am–3pm on Jolon Road in King City and April 18, 2007 from 9am - 4pm in the Salinas Wal-Mart parking lot. Also, Wednesday April 4, 2007 is Dine Out for HOPE. Participating restaurants will donate to HOPE Services revenue from meals served on April 4th. Commissioner Bogan announced that the annual Monterey Bay Veterans Salmon Derby is on April 28, 2007. A luncheon will be held at the Monterey Elks Lodge.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Pinio declared the meeting adjourned at 3:40pm.