

# Minutes for the Monterey County Commission on Disabilities



## Minutes

**MONDAY, October 25, 2004 2:00 PM TO 4:00 PM**

MINUTES FOR THE  
MONTEREY COUNTY COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES  
MONTEREY COUNTY TRAINING CENTER  
1441 CONSTITUTION BLVD., BLDG. 840 – SALINAS, CA 93906

**I. CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Flynn called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS/GUEST SPEAKERS**

- Commissioners Present – Alma Almanza, Roger Baez, Kalah Bumba, Stanley Cook, Fred Crummey, Robert Davis, Barbara Flynn, Anna Foglia, John Pinio, Carol A. Ryan, Richard Smith and Jennifer O'Hara representing Charlene Wiseman.
- Commissioners Excused – Merryl Carr, Carolyn Hinds, Byrl Smith, Sam Trevino and John Villalpando.
- Guests, Members of the Public, & Staff – Charles McKee, Interim EO Officer/County Counsel, Allen Bidwell, Deputy County Counsel and Elisa Cantu, EOO Admin Secretary.

**III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA & MINUTES**

October 25, 2004 Agenda-Agenda approved unanimously 12/0/0. September 27, 2004 Minutes- Minutes approved unanimously 12/0/0. **IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS** None. **VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Administrative – Com. Bumba had nothing to report.
- Access/Outreach – Com. Cook had nothing to report.
- Communication/Alliances – Com. Foglia had nothing to report.

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

- Discussion regarding “cuts on services” for the disabled. Vice-Chair Ryan stated this issue has been ongoing for several months and she still has no information. Com. Foglia suggested having speakers to share information regarding such topics. Com. Bumba added that a group did come in and spoke regarding cuts in the Housing Authority. Com. Foglia stated she would contact a speaker

for the next meeting. Com. Crummey suggested having a speaker from the County Budget Office to hear how the County is doing in general, and specifically regarding cuts on disability programs. Com. R. Smith suggested the Access/Outreach Committee talk to Social Services about our Commission. Com. Almanza reminded the group that Director Elliott Robinson, from Social Services, did speak to this group in 2003. Com. Hinds is the rep for the In-Home Support Services Meetings.

- Allen Bidwell, Deputy County Counsel, provided revised version of By-laws for review. Next step is to approve revised by-laws, action item for next meeting.

#### IX. NEW BUSINESS

**A.** Discussion regarding vacancies. Chair Flynn asked for count of those commissioners who will be seeking another term after their current terms expire in December 2004. Commissioners Foglia, Cook and Flynn will not be seeking another term, Commissioner R. Smith is undecided. Commissioners asked regarding terms and reappointment, these are 3-yr terms and commissioners can be reappointed. See By-laws. Com. Foglia stated her organization is under staffed and would probably have a problem appointing a new rep to this Commission, also her goal in joining was to focus on employment for the disabled and the group never quite got to that. Commissioners need to submit letter of resignation and organizations need to submit letter appointing new rep.

**B.** Action item to vote for Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> meeting? Commissioners voted unanimously (12/0/0) for meeting to take place.

X. ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION/FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMISSION  
Com. R. Smith asked whether the Access Appeals Board would be discussed during the discussion of the By-laws at the next meeting. Mr. Bidwell suggested placing that item separately on the agenda. Com. Foglia suggested having the next retreat in January as new Commissioners will come on board. XI. ADJOURNMENT  
Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m. by Chair Flynn.