

Minutes for the Monterey County Commission on Disabilities



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MONDAY, November 29, 2004 2:00 PM TO 4:00 PM

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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, Barbara Flynn, John Pinio, Carol A. Ryan, Richard Smith, John Villalpando and Tori Hannah representing Charlene Wiseman.

Commissioners Excused – Merryl Carr, Robert Davis, Anna Foglia, Carolyn Hinds and Sam Trevino.

Guests, Members of the Public, & Staff – Charles McKee, Interim EO Officer/County Counsel, and Elisa Cantu, EOO Admin Secretary.

III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA & MINUTES

November 29, 2004 Agenda

Agenda approved unanimously 11/0/0.

October 25, 2004 Minutes

Minutes approved unanimously 11/0/0. Com. Bumba noted to have minutes reflect corrections from previous minutes. Com. Bumba also had a question regarding Com. R. Smith's resignation. Com. R. Smith noted that the minutes correctly reflected his resignation.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

V. APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

The EO Office has received letters of resignation from Chair Flynn, Commissioners R. Smith and Cook. Com. Crummey, Foglia and Bumba are also resigning. Com. Bumba will send letter. Com. Crummey added that CCCIL has nominated Amy Allard and her letter is forthcoming. Chair Flynn added that CCAH has nominated MaryLea Almeida and we have received her letter of nomination. Com. R. Smith notified the Senior Center and has not heard of a new rep. being nominated. Com. Cook notified Easter Seals regarding his term expiring and to nominate a new representative.

VI. OFFICER REPORTS

CHAIR – Chair Flynn reported the Annual Report would be on Charles McKee's desk before the end of the year. Also, reported Com. Hinds will not be able to attend the next Unmet Transportation Needs meeting of Dec. 1, 2004, 9:00 AM at Sherwood Hall. Vice-Chair Ryan will attend this meeting. Com. Bumba suggested this Commission have representation at Santa Cruz's meetings on transportation. There was a discussion on funding for transportation and RIDES regulations on how far they can go to pick up people.

VICE-CHAIR – Nothing to report.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative – Nothing to report.

Access/Outreach – Com. Cook shared notes from Committee's meeting (see Notes from 10/25/04 Meeting) and provided a sample Nomination Form. Committee meets following the regular Commission meetings, last Monday of each month. Vice-Chair Ryan asked if Access Committee would like to have an article in the paper on this. Com. Cook replied that it would be a great idea once approved by the Commission. Chair Flynn asked to have form emailed to Commissioners and suggested to get form approved when new members are appointed, add to January's agenda as action item.

Communication/Alliances – Nothing to report.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion regarding the Access Appeals Board. Charles McKee stated the Access Appeals Board exists but is not seated presently and that if a complaint did come in, the group would be put together. Vice-Chair asked whether the ADA Code required that this Board be in place. Mr. McKee replied not having reviewed Allen Bidwell's opinion on this.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Action item to approve the Revised Bylaws as presented by Allen Bidwell. Com. Crummey pointed out a change on pg. 2, Art. IV #1 should read, "...appointing body may continue to serve until their successor..." Also on pg. 2, Art. III #5 should read, "...must reside or work in the County of Monterey." Com. Bumba made a correction on pg. 13, 4.a. should read, "...Committee" (quotation mark is missing) Com. Bumba moved to

approve revised Bylaws with the above changes. Com. Crummey seconded and motion passed 11/0/0.

B. Action item to approve the retreat for Jan. 31, 2005. There was a discussion about possibly having retreat at this same location, Monterey County Training Center, that the retreat count as the regular meeting, for retreat to be held in February or March when more members are on board, and that the action item be postponed to January. Com. R. Smith suggested having a subcommittee to develop the agenda and set goals for the retreat. Chair Flynn added that the key is to have an effective facilitator and suggested getting started on a list of possible facilitators. Com. Almanza asked to agendize the subcommittee and logistics of the retreat on January's agenda.

X. ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION/FOR THE GOOD OF THE COMMISSION

Com. Almanza asked regarding having a nominating committee for electing the new officers. The group discussed that a nominating committee has not been needed in the past. January's meeting will be presided by Vice-Chair Ryan. Chair Flynn added that she will orient her replacement MaryLea Almeida. Com. R. Smith also volunteered to be of help to his incoming replacement when one is chosen and to be available for questions regarding any of the projects he's worked on for this Commission. There was discussion regarding placing ads/announcements of vacancies in the newspaper and website. Com. Almanza commented on electing officers in January as per the Bylaws. Chair Flynn suggested Commission can have this as an action item in January when a couple new members will be on board. Com. Bumba and members thanked Chair Flynn for her excellent Chairmanship. Chair Flynn thanked all members for their work throughout the year and wished everyone Happy Holidays!

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m. by Chair Flynn.