



City of Fresno

2600 Fresno Street
2nd Floor, Meeting
Room A (2165)
Fresno, CA 93720

Meeting Minutes - Final Disability Advisory Commission

Chairperson Frances Reyes Acosta
Vice Chair Tiffany Potter
Board Member (ex officio) Carlos Duarte
Board Member Ken Elvington
Board Member Heather Flores
Board Member Dr. Jenelle Pitt
Board Member Mary Beth Randall
Board Member Kyra Schleef
DAC Secretary Shannon M. Mulhall

Tuesday, February 14, 2017

10:00 AM

City Hall
2600 Fresno Street

Regular Meeting

1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Reyes Acosta at 10:06 am.

Present 6 - Chairperson Frances Reyes Acosta, Vice Chair Tiffany Potter, Board Member (ex officio) Carlos Duarte, Board Member Heather Flores, Board Member Mary Beth Randall, and Board Member Kyra Schleef

Excused 2 - Board Member Ken Elvington, and Board Member Dr. Jenelle Pitt

2. Approval of Minutes

[ID17-238](#) Approval of the Disability Advisory Commission Minutes from December 13, 2016

On motion of Vice Chair Potter, seconded by Board Member Randall, that the above Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairperson Reyes Acosta, Vice Chair Potter, Board Member Flores, Board Member Randall and Board Member Schleef

Excused: 2 - Board Member Elvington and Board Member Pitt

[ID17-239](#) Approval of the Disability Advisory Commission Minutes from January 10, 2017

On motion of Board Member Randall, seconded by Board Member Schleef, that the above Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairperson Reyes Acosta, Vice Chair Potter, Board Member Flores, Board Member Randall and Board Member Schleef

Excused: 2 - Board Member Elvington and Board Member Pitt

3. Member Reports and Comments

Member Potter shared that she has been an Access and Functional Needs (AFN) subject matter expert for the State of California. Currently she is beginning work on an consultant contract for the Department of Homeland Security as an AFN expert.

Member Flores shared that with the recent Oroville Spillway flooding Central Valley Regional Center (CVRC) has been providing flooding assistance to other regional centers. They are increasing their long term housing assistance planning right now.

Chair Reyes Acosta commented that members of the public are encouraged to reach out to the Council on Governments to let them know that their Unmet Transit Needs meetings need to be held at times that are accessible by public transportation.

4. Secretary's Report

Secretary Mulhall reported that the tentative date to bring the Self Evaluation before council for approval will be the first week of April. Next month the DAC will have a presentation from the Police Department regarding the CodeRed notification system. The Fresno County Library is partnering with the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Service Center to offer signing story time every Saturday through the end of April. The Council on Governments is currently holding their annual Unmet Needs meetings. See flier for times and location.

5. Unscheduled Communication / Public Comments

No unscheduled communication.

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the DAC on any matter not on this agenda (presentation are limited to 3 minutes per person). The DAC is generally legally prohibited from taking any action on information presented in unscheduled communication until subsequent meetings.

6. Presentations

[ID17-240](#) Presentation by Able Advocates

Katrina Oh of Able Advocates provided an overview of the organization history, current services, and future initiatives, including recreation leagues/teams for people with disabilities.

Member Duarte commended Able Advocates for their recreational efforts, as this is a gap in the community.

Member Schleef asked if Able Advocates has partnered with the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Service Center. Oh responded they do.

Member Flores commented that Able Advocates has been able to fill equipment need gaps for CVRC clients who are waiting on approvals for equipment. This has been a tremendous help since the CVRC wheelchair clinic closed.

The floor was opened for public comments.

Sam Morgan of Resources for Independence Central Valley stated his appreciation of their partnership with Able Advocates.

Yonas Paulos stated that he would like to connect Able Advocates with one of his former coaches at CSUF for the recreation programs.

7. Task Forces

7-A. [ID17-241](#) Appointment of Two DAC members to a Police Department

Policy Task Force

Chair Reyes Acosta appointed Member Elvington, Member Flores, and community member Sam Morgan to this task force.

7-B. [ID17-242](#) Appointment of Two DAC members to a Website Review Task Force

Chair Reyes Acosta appointed member Schleef, Member Randall, and community member Sarah Harris to this task force.

8. Subcommittee Reports

8-A. Outreach Subcommittee

Chair Reyes Acosta reported that they currently have a draft of the media booklet prepared and it is going through the review process.

8-B. Transportation Subcommittee

Member Duarte reported that FAX 15 has successfully been launched. The Manchester Transit Center and the Courthouse Transit remodel are underway. This means that stops are closed. March 6 is the last day that they will be selling bus passes in MTC, after that the service will be available in the mall. The estimated closure time will be 6-9 months. Starting August 2017 there will be longer hours on select routes as well as the complimentary Handy Ride services.

Handy Ride is currently conducting training for reservationists and dispatchers and holding monthly meetings. They will have a small ad hoc committee addressing service animals on Handy Ride buses.

[ID17-243](#) Appointment of Gregory Barfield to the DAC Transportation Subcommittee, replacing Jim Schaad.

On motion that the above Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Chairperson Reyes Acosta, Vice Chair Potter, Board Member (ex officio) Duarte, Board Member Flores, Board Member Randall and Board Member Schleef

Excused: 2 - Board Member Elvington and Board Member Pitt

Adjournment

As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:53 am.

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