



Santa Cruz County Commission on Disabilities

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Meeting Minutes

DATE: Thursday, March 13, 2025
TIME: 12:30 PM to 2:00 PM
LOCATION: Santa Cruz County Building, Fifth Floor – Coastlines Conference Room
701 Ocean Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
PRESENT: John Daugherty (*Co-Chair - 1st District*), Jonathan Zinnanti (*2nd District*), Richard Gubash (*3rd District*) Becky Taylor (*Co-Chair - 3rd District*), Brenda Gutierrez Baeza (*4th District*), Jessica Liddy (*4th District*)
EXCUSED: Camille Summers (*1st District*), Fay Levinson (*2nd District*), David Molina (*5th District*)
ABSENT: None
STAFF: Kaite McGrew (*Commissions Manager*), Mitsuno Baurmeister (*EEO Officer*)
GUESTS: 2 members of the public were present.

1. Call to Order

Meeting convened at 12:45 PM.

Commission welcomed Commissioner Zinnanti (District 2) and Commissioner Liddy (District 4).

2. Roll Call

3. Agenda Review

4. Approve February 13 Minutes

Motion to approve minutes as written

Motion/Second: Taylor/Gubash

Motion passed unanimously.

5. Public Comment: None

6. New/Continuing Business:

6.1. Consider Tabling at the Transition Resource Fair for Youth with Disabilities

Commission discussed tabling at the Transition Resource Fair for Youth with Disabilities.

Gubash and Taylor committed to attending.

Motion to table at the Transition Resource Fair for Youth with Disabilities

Motion/Second: Taylor/Gubash

Motion passed unanimously.

6.2. Consider RTC E&D TAC Priorities

Commission reviewed updated priorities in Unmet Needs as identified by the Elderly & Disabled TAC advisory body to the RTC. Daugherty summarized the priorities.

Motion to Establish an Ad Hoc Unmet Transit Needs Subcommittee

Motion/Second: Gubash/Liddy

Motion passed unanimously.

Chair appointed Daugherty, Zinnanti, Gubash and Taylor to the subcommittee.

7. Commission Reports

- 7.1. Cabrillo College Accessibility Center Advisory Committee Report
Gutierrez-Baeza plans to attend the next meeting in May.
- 7.2. Ad Hoc Collaborative Event Subcommittee Update: No Report
- 7.3. Ad Hoc Kudos Planning Subcommittee Report
Chair appointed Liddy to the subcommittee.
- 7.4. Ad Hoc Legislative Priorities Subcommittee Report
Chair appointed Gubash to the subcommittee.

8. Commission Priority Reports:

- 8.1. Accessibility Awareness Priority Report: No Report
- 8.2. Accessible Recreation Priority Report: No Report
- 8.3. Affordable Accessible Housing Report: No Report
- 8.4. Affordable Accessible Transportation Report: No Report

9. Correspondence: None

10. Announcements/Emerging Matters:

Staff provided will follow up with details about the new stipend registration form. The Commission will continue to meet in the Coastlines Room going forward. The Commission's feedback on the County's *2025-2027 Equal Employment Opportunity and Cultural Responsiveness Plan* were incorporated. The April meeting will include officer elections and approval of the 2025 Meeting Schedule. While Commissioner reappointments have traditionally been automatic, the appointment process for District 5 is now open to all interested candidates, and Commissioner Molina has been invited to reapply for consideration. A decision is expected by April 1st.

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kaite McGrew, *Commissions Manager*