



# COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

## COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

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### *MEETING MINUTES*

*Regular Meeting – February 11, 2022 - 2:00 p.m.  
Teleconference*



**Members Present:** Rickeena Kamei-Boyd (Vice-Chair), Michelle Krug, Jose Gaspar, Karolyn Smith, Candice Custodio-Tan, Jessica Kramer, Janette Shelton, Suzanne Ditmars, Sherie Kainz Ibarra,  
**Members Absent:** Kaye Kelley (Chair),  
**COSD Staff:** Katie McKnight and Claudia Silva

The meeting was called to order at 2:01pm by Vice Chair Rickeena Kamei Boyd; introductions followed.

### **Vote to Approve Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Minutes – January 14, 2022

Michelle made a motion to approve the meeting minutes and Karolyn seconded the motion: committee approved.

### **Non-Agenda Comment**

Dara Braitman from Circulate San Diego joined as a guest to introduce herself and offer a future presentation. Katie will put her in touch with Todd to potentially schedule a future presentation.

- Email: [dbraitman@circulatesd.org](mailto:dbraitman@circulatesd.org)

The committee will use verbal descriptions of themselves during introductions in future meetings.

### **Registrar of Voters (ROV)**

Guest Speaker: Rosie Rascon, Coordinator, Volunteer & Public Services for ROV

Purpose of presentation is to share how ROV is ensuring that voting is accessible. ROV is always looking for feedback and they already have a Voter Accessibility Advisory Committee.

All county residents have the right to vote. San Diego County ROV provides:

### Accessible Voting

- All San Diego County residents will receive a ballot by mail automatically
  - Voting by mail offers privacy and security
  - Return envelopes with paid postage are included
  - Ballots can also be dropped off at a drop-off location
  - Ballots can also be dropped off at any County vote centers
- Remote Accessible Vote by Mail (RAVBM)
  - Any voter may request and receive access to a Remote Accessible Vote by Mail System. This system allows you to download and complete a ballot electronically from home. After

completion, you can print and return/drop off the ballot.

- This option is available to any voter but must be requested, it is not automatic.
- Accessible Ballot Marking Devices: every vote center will have accessible ballot marking devices that are fully compliant with the ADA.
  - These are accessible 29 days before Election Day
- Assistance at Vote Centers: 1-2 people such as a family member, friend or poll worker can assist you at the vote center to cast your vote.
- Vote Center and Ballot Drop Box Location Accessibility
  - Vote centers and drop boxes are selected using ADA guidelines and the Secretary of State's accessibility checklist.
- Curbside Voting: anyone who cannot physically access a vote center may request to vote curbside and a poll worker will come outside to assist.
  - Arrangements can be made by calling 858-565-5800
- Voter Accessibility Advisory Committee is available for feedback or participation
- Translation and language assistance can be coordinated by calling 858-565-5800
- ROV has an in person and online survey available for persons with disabilities to provide feedback
- Voting centers have physical accommodations including ramps and additional accessible parking
- Language assistance is available for those who don't speak English as their primary language

#### Committee Recommendations:

- Post ADA assistance signs for easy direction
- On posted resources, include information on transportation assistance
- Mobile vote centers
- Additional ADA training for Poll Workers and Volunteers

Website: [www.SDVote.com](http://www.SDVote.com)

#### **Authorization of Teleconferencing Meeting Option Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)**

Karolyn moved to extend government code 54953(e) for the March meeting. Michelle seconded the motion; committee approved.

#### **Meeting Adjournment**

Rickeena adjourned the meeting at 3:48pm.

**The next regular meeting will be held on Friday, March 11, 2022 at 2:00 pm on Zoom. Meeting will have video and presentation capabilities, as well as a dial-in phone number.**