



# COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

## COMMITTEE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

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### **MEETING MINUTES**

*Regular Meeting – April 17, 2024 - 3:00 p.m.*

**Members Present:** Chair Dr. Karolyn Smith, Vice-Chair Janette Shelton, Jessica Kramer, and Susan Madison

**Members Absent:** Michelle Krug (Chair)

**COSD Staff:** Todd Hood and Kate McKnight

**Presenters:** None

#### **Call to Order**

Welcoming Remarks / Introductions

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

Meeting Minutes – March 20, 2024

A motion was made and seconded to approve the March meeting minutes: committee approved.

#### **Non-Agenda Comment**

- Jessica Kramer commented on changes to SB338 and AB449 related to hate crimes.
- Guest John Brady commented on the homeless community and the needs of people with disabilities.

#### **Bylaws for Committee**

Janette Shelton shared updates to the draft bylaws being developed for the committee.

#### **Disability Rights in Behavioral Health Services**

Jessica Kramer provided an update on discussions from the Behavioral Health Advisory Board.

A motion was made for the committee send a letter to the BOS that indicates their role as an advisory committee for persons with disabilities, of the recent identified need for better coordination among all the County departments, programs and services that support people with disabilities, particularly those with behavioral health disabilities in order to enhance the more effective coord and collab among all the county departments, programs and community based organizations. Motion was passed.

#### Qualifying a Disability Checklist

Jessica and Karolyn will meet to work on this checklist.

#### ADA Request Form for IHSS Clients

A representative from Aging and Independent Services will be attending the May committee meeting.

#### SB 43 – Behavioral Health

A motion was made to invite the behavioral health services community engagement coordinator to attend a committee meeting to engage and enhance the committees learning on SB43 and Care Court. Motion was passed.

- Todd and Jessica will connect to identify the coordinator and schedule a committee visit.

The committee would like to have a panel meeting with stakeholders to discuss disability rights and behavioral health services collaboratively. Todd Hood suggested hosting a panel at the Live Well conference.

### **Action Plan Items for Focus Areas**

#### Behavioral Health Services for People with Disabilities

See discussion above.

#### Public Safety and People with Disabilities

The committee intends to provide feedback on the 2024 Blue Print.

A motion was made to write a letter of appreciation to the District Attorney, along with the committee's feedback on the meeting with Summer Stephans and the committee's recommendations. Motion passed.

- Jessica and Janette will work on the letter on behalf of the committee.

#### Accessible Housing

Todd Hood will share updates on initiatives on affordable housing and the Housing Blue Print. Todd proposed that he review the Blue Print engagement center for updates and bring to the committee for further discussion and action.

### **Ethics Awareness Fair Debrief**

The Chair and Vice Chair attended the County's Ethics Awareness Fair last month and relayed their experience to the committee.

### **Budgetary Request for 2024-2025**

The committee is requesting the following items for 2024-2025:

- Tablecloth
- Name badges
- Business cards
  - Link with meeting information?

### **Committee Structure**

#### Vacancies

Contact Supervisor offices for appointments:

- District 1 – 2
- District 2 – 1
- District 3 – 1
- District 4 – 2
- District 5 – 1

The committee will add to the letter to the Board of Supervisors to remind them of vacancies within their district to review applications and appoint members to serve their districts. The committee members will also reach out to their Supervisor's offices to remind them of vacancies and applications.

### **Reschedule June Meeting**

Due to the Juneteenth Holiday on 6/19/2024, the regular committee meeting in June will be moved to 3pm on 6/26/2024.

### **New Business – Future Agenda Items**

- Accessible Housing – Housing Blue Print
- Permanent Supportive Housing - Homeless Solutions Department and Equitable Communities
- In Home Supportive Services presentation on reasonable accommodation requests

## **Meeting Adjournment**

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:03pm

**The next regular meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 3:00 pm at the following address:**

County Administrative Center

Room 302

1600 Pacific Highway

San Diego, CA 92101

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