



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO LGBTQ COMMISSION

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual plus (LGBTQIA+) Commission

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order, Land Acknowledgement, Group Agreements		Our <u>Group Agreements</u> include Share the air; step up, step back; Listen for understanding; Lift as you climb; Be present & engaged; Let the facilitator guide the process; Technology on silent.
2. Roll Call		Present: Aaron Adriano, Kevin Babeaux, Marilyn Hollinger, Bismay Mishra, Christopher Sturken, Craig Wiesner <u>Non-Commissioners:</u> Tanya Beat, Linda Wolin, Elana Ron <u>Members of the Public:</u> Sha Sun Absent: Krystle Cansino, Dana Johnson, Jana Rickerson, Vanessa Lemus-Tapia
3. Public Comment		Sha Sun Elliana Wolnisty, CORA
4. Action to Set Agenda & approve Consent Agenda	<i>Action</i>	Chris Sturken motions to approve the agenda and consent agenda. Craig Wiesner seconds. Approved.
CONSENT AGENDA		
5. Approval of August Meeting Minutes		
REGULAR AGENDA		
6. Pride Center Report	<i>Update</i>	<i>Elana Ron</i> See meeting materials for more program & event details. Request from Kevin to the group and Pride Center: request to address the tattered flags on the flagpole in front of the Center. Elana will look into it.
7. Visibility Project	<i>Update</i>	Small Group Update & Project Plan discussion Sub-committees will continue to be referred to as “sub-committees” <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>Volunteers:</u> Aaron, Vanessa (Krystle) – refer to their meeting notes in meeting materials. ○ <u>Educate:</u> Craig, Chris, and Dana – presented on goal of making public comment. Provided template and example of comment. We all agree to do one city within the next two months. See meeting materials. ○ <u>Mobilize:</u> Marilyn, Kevin and Bismay – engage with volunteers with virtual trainings and templates. Definitely get together in person for enthusiasm and community-building. Provide surveys for feedback. We need a webpage to have people sign up, download materials, etc. See meeting materials. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Name for Project: Inclusive Community Campaign (ICC)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Alignment and Expectations of the next Commission meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lack of attendance: group agrees to revisit the issue in the next meeting, focusing on setting limits and consequences for non-participation. ○ Discussed the importance of engagement and community building within the commission. ○ Tanya will initiate a conversation with those who have been frequently absent to understand their situation, offer support ○ Next Steps for making Public Comment at City Council meetings: outreach tracker will be sent out by Tanya to ask everyone to commit and/or revise their cities.
8. Remote Meeting Discussion	<i>Discussion</i>	<p>Bismay Mishra: proposes to bring back opportunity for those on travel to participate virtually.</p> <p>The group discussed process such as one week notice, providing location for agenda (following Brown Act) and that it is limited to the first few people who request it since the requirement for quorum is having the majority meet in-person. There is also the situation when a person has a contagious illness and they don't have to disclose location but it must be approved by the commission.</p> <p>So many people are absent that the group requests to put this topic on the October agenda for further discussion and vote.</p>
9. REPORTS		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Please see meeting materials for Pride Initiative & CoastPride Updates <p>Director's Report, Tanya Beat:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - vacancy appointment should take place by end of October. - TDOR Proclamation on Tues, Nov 12 at 9am – Aaron and Bismay will accept - TDOR Flag-raising is still TBD. Linda will confirm to Tanya soon. <p>CoChair Update, Aaron Adriano & Bismay Mishra:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Please fill out the interest form for a social gathering. There are 3 dates. - Bismay is hosting the holiday gathering on Sunday, Dec 8. Please save the date and it will be lunchtime.
10. Announcements		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Encourage support for Measure BB in Redwood City ● United Against Hate Week is now September 22-28 ● COVID-19 and flu vaccinations are now available (& pneumonia vax too) ●
11. Adjournment		