



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

LGBTQIA+ COMMISSION

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

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order, Land Acknowledgement, Group Agreements		<u>Our 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: Mike Cooper, Dave Crafts, Marilyn Hollinger, Dana Johnson, Camille Kennedy, Bismay Mishra, Vanessa Lemus-Tapia, Fabricio Perez, Christopher Sturken, Sha Sun <u>Non-Commissioners:</u> Tanya Beat, Christina Falla, Debbie Schechter, Frankie Sapp (on Zoom), President Noelia Corzo (on Zoom) On Zoom as member of the public: Jade Howard
3. Public Comment		
4. Action to Set Agenda & Approve Consent	<i>Action</i>	Dave Crafts motions to approve agenda, seconded by Marilyn Hollinger. Approved. Camille and Bismay arrived late, after this vote.
CONSENT AGENDA		
5. Approval of October Minutes	<i>Action</i>	
REGULAR AGENDA		
6. Welcome & New Year's Traditions		Dana Johnson facilitated
7. Vision for 2026: President Noelia Corzo	<i>Update</i>	Board Liaison Noelia Corzo is now President of the SMC Board of Supervisors! Christina will send us her D2 Vision for 2026 via email.
8. Retreat Pre-work: Understand the Commission and Goals Focus	<i>Present ation</i>	Tanya Beat & Debbie Schechter (retreat facilitator) Please see additional meeting materials document. The presentation includes the history, accomplishments of the LGBTQIA+ Commission. It reviews Mission, Vision, Purpose, Role of the Commission and Role of the Commissioners. Three Goals have been identified: Revision of the Inclusion Community Campaign; Sanctuary County Potential; Engagement with the Community Logistics: Retreat is at SMC Office of Education, Tree room, 101 Twin Dolphin Dr., Redwood City from 8:25am-1:30pm. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.
9. Pride Center Report	<i>Update</i>	Frankie Sapp presented on Zoom - Pride Center is now looking for a building/office/community space. Frankie will send us the survey and we can help promote it to learn what the community wants/needs. - They are launching Conversation Cafes (for their providers)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - They are also starting an “advocacy with legislation” campaign - They now have funding and have programming planned now through the end of June - They can support financially with the Pride Event.
10. Wellness Break		Cancelled due to time
11. Spotlight	<i>Present ation</i>	Dana Johnson
12. LGBTQ+ Sanctuary County Adhoc Committee Update	<i>Update</i>	<p>Marilyn Hollinger Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Currently in research/learn mode. - There have been two meetings. - We have not found any County in the US that has become a sanctuary county for LGBTQ+ community. - Jade has been significant learning about ordinances and what has been done with cities. - The Committee may need to focus on engaging with the community to learn what is truly needed to become a safer County to live in.
13. 2026 Calendar of Meetings & Potential Brown Act Updates	<i>Discuss and Action</i>	Motion to remove June 16 meeting and have a conversation about the November meeting later this year by Marilyn Hollinger. Seconded by Dave Crafts. Approved.
14. Pride Event Status	<i>Update</i>	<p>Dana Johnson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Behavioral Health & Recovery Services is leading Pride Planning for 2026 - The Planning Committee is smaller and more intentional - Kalimah Salahuddin is no longer leading the Parade Planning - No planning meetings have happened yet - Hold the Date for Saturday, June 13 - Dana will continue to update us on this event
15. Announcements		<p>Pride Prom at College of San Mateo is April 17. Email Dave if you are interested in volunteering.</p> <p>Dave will provide more information about Human Trafficking that has been distributed by the County’s Sheriff’s Office</p> <p>Chris Sturken shared a film viewing that CORA is supporting. Designed by Preeti on Friday, January 30, 7pm in Redwood City.</p>
16. Adjournment		