

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) Commission

Tuesday, May 5, 2020 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order, Land Acknowledgement, Group Agreements	Action	We acknowledge that the County we are meeting in was originally land of the Ohlone people. Our Group Agreements 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: Lelan Anders, Rebecca Carabez, Terri Echelbarger, Carmen O'Shea, Gabe Garcia, Grant Whitman, Giuliana Garcia, Krystle Cansino, Steve Disselhorst, Dana Johnson, Craig Wiesner, Tanya Beat, Linda Wolin Absent:
3. Public Comment		Rudy Espinoza – Our Family Coalition Cathy Hauer – Pride Center Community Advisory Board; CoastPride
4. Approval & Adoption of Agenda	Action	Carmen O'Shea motions. Rev Terri Echelbarger seconds the motion. Approved by acclamation.
5. Approval of April Meeting Minutes	Action	Rebecca Carabez motions. Lelan Anders seconds the motion. Approved by acclamation.
6. Communications from Commissioners	Update	Haven Church – virtual services Heritage Foundation – grants for LGBTQ orgs Our Family Coalition - Our Family Goes All In, May 15
7. REPORTS O County O Pride Center O Pride Initiative O Commission Co-Chair O Commission Director	Update	County Update: 1) County Dashboard: URL to connect with resources & Health data; 2) San Mateo County STRONG: application system opens for small businesses; 3) Census 2020 – SMC leads CA in responses Pride Center: May is Mental Health month, Open Mic Night on May 20 th ; Calendar of events; expanding mental health services through the month. Pride Initiative: Pride Celebration going virtual. June 8-13. Finale on 13 th ; Dance Party; CORA workshop; Queer Author

			Series (Steve Disselhorst reading his new book "Determined To
			Be Dad"); Boi Doc (documentary movie)
			Commission Co-chairs: Rebecca Carabez
			- BOS meeting June 2, accepting the County PRIDE Proclamation
			- Honoring of Gabe & Grant: words of appreciation
			Commission Director:
			- 2 vacant positions need filled. Deadline to apply June 15; intend
			to have these 2 people start with our August Meeting
			○ Rebecca to present at Commission on Aging
8.	Nomination Process for	Update	Accepting nominations for two co-chairs. Submit by May 17.
	Co-Chairs in June		
9.	Reschedule Nov. 3	Action	Because Nov 3 is Election Day; propose to move it to Nov 10 ;
	Meeting		Craig motions; Krystle seconds; unanimous approval.
10.	All County Cities Pride	Update	Questions: EPA and flag-raising; what week is important for a
	Proclamations & Flag-		flag-raising (June 8-12)? No response from Menlo Park; Attend
	raisings Project		city council to make public comment; encourage participation.
			Unincorporated areas – Rev Terri reached out to them and
			needs help. Cathy Hauer will help Terri with connection.
11.	Selection of next	Discussion	What to prioritize?
	Commission Project		- Impact/Effort prioritizing with all proposed policies
			- Adult Community Conversations
			- Data: including SOGI in county surveys
			- Gender Neutral Bathroom signs (a good time to emphasize this
			because of COVID-19 and virus spread in bigger restrooms); is there access to free signs? No but we could purchase them in
			bulk and offer businesses free signs. Fundraise money for signs
			and/or get a grant to purchase them.
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