

Sacramento County Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee

Meeting Recap

July 24th, 2018

6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

7000 65th St., Suite A., Training Room

Handouts Provided:

Meeting Agenda, Meeting Summary from 5/29/18, Voter Postcard Samples

Call to Order:

Committee Members in Attendance: Co-Chair Courtney Bailey, Co-Chair Margaret Johnson, Russell Rawlings, Irene Capps, Theresa Riviera, Carol Moss, Charlene Jones, Charlie Johnson, Nick Bloise, Terry Schanz, and Carly Smith

Committee Members Not Present: Marianne Knoy and Don Tuttle

Review of Previous Meeting's Recap and Action Items Results:

- No corrections requested to 5/29/18 meeting notes.
- Courtney emailed out the totals for VBM drop offs, Vote Center Experience Surveys, list of all advertising and events for VCA for the June election.

Agenda Items, Updates and Discussion Comments:

- New VAAC member, Carly Smith introduced.
- Member Richard Stanley resigned due to other commitments.
- Russell announced he is featured in a video with S.O.S., Alex Padilla.
- Beginning in 2019 postage will be paid for Vote by Mail per statewide legislation to promote early voting.
- Paul Spencer from Disability Rights California announced there is now a computer that you can access at the DMV to renew your driver's license and would like to get any feedback emailed to him from anyone who uses it. Also, DRC and the ACLU of Northern California has sued the Secretary of State for failing to designate state and local offices as Voter Registration Agencies as required under the NVRA and California Elections Code.
- The next 2 voter postcards required by the VCA will be sent out at the end of August and the end of September. Samples were provided for review. Comments and suggestions can be emailed to Janna Fiori at FioriJ@SacCounty.net by 5 p.m. on August 3rd as Courtney will be on vacation until August 13th.
- Election Debrief
 - The Vote by Mail section received about 200 requests to use the Electronic Ballot Marking System (a.k.a., Remote Accessible Vote by Mail). Democracy Live reported the 17 people credentialed in and attested to use the system and 11 moved to the ballot marking process. Need to find better terminology to brand this system.
 - Need to better highlight the differences between a drop box and Vote Center.
 - Libraries were very popular Vote Centers and VBM Drop Box sites. Other popular sites where, City of Citrus Heights Council Chambers, The California

- Museum, Folsom Fire Station #35, Sierra 2 Center, Elk Grove City Council Chambers. Raley's and Bel Air were very popular for drop boxes.
- We will be more proactive in having staff be outside of the Vote Centers with pink bags to collect VBM ballots on Election Day.
 - Voter Experience Surveys showed that 69% were "very satisfied" with their overall voting experience.
 - Sacramento County saw about a 12% increase in voter participation over June 2014.
 - Had problems with ballot printers going down. Most people opted to use the touchscreen (ICX) machines to mark their ballots when that occurred. We added ICX's to a couple of locations on Election Day. We are working with the vendor for a solution before the next election.
 - Media was giving out incorrect information
 - Equipment delivery options will include more Friday Vote Center set-ups when equipment is delivered. Cases and boxes will be removed to keep from cluttering up the room.
 - We will have the same number of Vote Centers for November with some changes in locations where the need is highest.
 - Manage Election Night Results. Need to look at changing verbiage.
 - Found it helpful to have "next update" and "percentage left to count" information on the website.
 - Feedback for future Vote Center locations included: San Juan Unified School District Office, Carmichael Elks Lodge, Italian Culture Center, Mather sites owned by Sacramento County, Campus Commons Clubhouse, and for drop boxes, Raley's and Bel Air.

Action Items:

- Provide the results maps that are displayed at the meeting electronically
- Send out advertising and outreach for events done for the June election
- Send out Inspector debrief notes
- Review Campaign expectations flyer
- Send out voter postcards for review and feedback
- Send out budget for new fiscal year

Next meeting scheduled for August 28th