

# Language Accessibility Advisory Committee

## Meeting Summary 09/12/2018

### Introduction:

- Hang welcomed everyone and called the LAAC meeting to order
- Introduction of the new people who were in attendance

### Meeting Notes:

- Elena discussed the survey of Vote Centers across the county. There was a total of 327 surveys and some of the feedback included:
  - The new process was convenient, multiple choice + write-in options; majority of voters dropped off their ballots because they don't trust the mail; older people tended to vote more than younger people; few voters used the ICX touchscreen devices; Vote Centers with the most foot traffic were those by shopping centers or busy locations; and some voters made comments about missing their old polling places
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> postcard that will be mailed to all voters was presented to the LAAC for review
  - All feedback can be emailed to Hang by next Wednesday
  - Suggestion to replace "Sacramento County has Vote Centers" with "Vote Early"
- Roberto provided an update from the SOS – they have started an "Adopt a Vote Center" program where groups can bring flags, food, signs, etc. and report to Election Staff and help with the flow of voters
- Hang presented Contra Costa's composite ballot from the June Primary Election and discussed using a composite ballot in Sacramento County for the November Election
  - Composite ballots would be sent to each voter with an identified language need on their voter file, and they would also be loaded onto a laptop at Vote Centers to be printed on demand.
  - Concerns about voter confusion, but composite ballots would not be printed on ballot paper and would be printed on colored paper to help minimize confusion
  - Hang asked the LAAC about their thoughts on the composite ballot and the group consensus was that the composite ballot seems like the best idea for Sacramento County and our voters
  - A decision on the composite ballot needs to be made soon, as translations will return soon and VRE will need time to assemble the composite ballot
- There will be the same number of Vote Center and Drop Box locations as the June Primary Election, and the list is finalized and will be posted soon
  - 6 locations have changed – Roberto volunteered to post notices at them
- Mr. Kim offered to advertise for us – we will email him a PDF that he can display
- Suggestion to increase our social media efforts and create content to share/forward
- Outreach for 2020: form an outreach committee with the advocates; create toolkits for social media to push to organizations, BOS, etc.