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SAN MATEO COUNTY
VOTING ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VAAC)

Meeting Minutes

March 26, 2018, 10:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

555 County Center Plaza, Room 311 3rd Floor Redwood City, CA

Members Present

Craig McCulloh, Chair
Mike Levinson
Wilhelmina (Sammi) Riley
Ben McMullan
Fred Nisen
Bill Hershon

Staff Present

Kenny Lin, Elections Specialist III, (VAAC secretary)
Lupe Marin, Elections Specialist Supervisor
Jim Irizarry, Assistant Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder

Items Discussed

- I. Introductions and Announcements
 - Kenny introduced as new VAAC secretary
- II. Review & Approve Meeting Minutes from November 30, 2017
 - Minutes approved
 - Will approve 10
- III. Loyalty Oaths
 - Loyalty Oaths Taken
- IV. Staff Report
 - June 5, 2018 Election Review
 - San Mateo County is currently at 65% VBM voters
 - 390,000 active registered voters estimated for Election Day
 - San Mateo County Elections currently at 60% of staffing levels compared to state average
 - Committee had a discussion on open-source vs closed-source voting systems.
 - San Mateo County will be looking at both to find a new voting system for 2020

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V. Voters Choice Act – Community Outreach (40 minutes)

- Voter Registration/Conditional Voter Registration
 - Conditional Voter Registration allows voters to register after the 15-day close of registration and vote provisionally. Ballot will be counted once registration has been confirmed.
- Review of the VCA Election Administration Plan
 - Election Administration Plan has been reviewed by the SoS and approved
- Vote Centers/Drop-off Locations
 - June will be a chance to learn and adjust locations for November
- Community Outreach and Education
 - Elections is sending out 4 direct contacts to voters- 3 postcards and Sample Ballot
 - Media campaign for VCA including press releases, public service announcements, radio and TV
 - Elections has sent out notices to all community partners
 - Elections staff is prepared to meet with any group to give VCA presentations (will coordinate with VAAC)
 - Elections staff will attend the Emergency Preparedness hosted by Center for independence of Individuals with Disabilities on 4/24 at the Menlo Park Senior Center
 - If VAAC members have any suggestions for Voter Outreach events, they will contact Kenny

VI. Schedule Next Two (2) Meetings for 2018

- Thursday 4/19 10:30am to 12:00pm
- Tuesday 5/22 10:30am-12:00pm

Meeting adjourned 12:02pm