

OCRA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
FRIDAY, MAY 21, 2004  
Embassy Suites Hotel  
Sacramento, CA  
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

DRAFT MINUTES

Attendees:

Maria Montenegro, Leticia Soto – Maria’s interpreter, Eric Ybarra, James Knight – Eric’s attendant, Billy Hall, Octavio Garcia, Portia Lemmons by teleconference, Jeanne Molineaux, Alice Ximenez, Noelle Ferdon, Maria Bryant, Brian Capra, Lisa Navarro, Catherine Blakemore, Evelyn Abouhassan, Eric Gelber

Reading of last OCRA Advisory Committee Teleconference on March 6, 2004 -

Maria motioned to approve last teleconference meeting minutes. Billy motioned second. Minutes approved.

Review of current agenda.

Voting Machines and Accessibility – Catherine Blakemore gave update on topic. Secretary of State currently working with staff on “screen readers,” but at the current time, problem with no paper trail if this moves forward. If this moves forward, this would possibly increase staff in the DD PSA PAI Unit. Discussion on Conservatorship was brought up as well. Jeanne will find out about issue for Eric re large print on absentee voting ballots.

PAI Board Meeting in June –

Jeanne recommended that OCRA Advisory Committee members to PAI board meeting in June and do a report on the OCRA Bingo Game.

Evelyn Abouhassan gave update on PAI sponsored legislation and status. Billy, Eric and Maria said they were interested in testifying at future committee meetings when applicable. Jeanne recommended that Virginia and Evelyn do a training in the fall to train Billy, Eric and Maria on how to testify to prepare them for those situations where they have option to testify.

Next OCRA Advisory Committee Meeting –

Since Maria is a member of the Fiesta Educativa, she will be attending meetings regularly and she will give an update to OCRA Advisory Committee at future meetings.

OCRA Recruitment Reminder to everyone –

OCRA recruiting new members to OCRA Advisory Committee. Jeanne recommended that one more additional seat be created for the advisory committee so that a person from the Asian Community can be hired to reach underserved populations.

Adjourned 3:00 p.m.