



# Minutes for Model Deaf Community

**DATE: 5/24/2019 TIME: 4:42PM – 5:35PM**

**LOCATION: RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES**

## ATTENDANCE

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

David Prince	AJ Noel	Luke Villalobos	Mike Anderson	Lisa Price
Carlos Andrade	Barbie Gomez	Darrell Utley	David Reynolds	Tina Leonard
Jesus Marquez				

### COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Victor Valdez	Erica Hossler	Annamarie Prince	Stephanie Martinez	Sharon Sluder
Cindi Safford	Helen Johnson-Peterson			

### GUESTS PRESENT

Josh Tozeski	Colleen Nicol	Tinka Friend
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**CALLED TO ORDER: 4:42 PM** (Riverside Public Utilities boardroom)

### PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Josh Tozeski mentioned that the Los Angeles Club of the Deaf funds will relocate at city of Riverside;
- Barbie mentioned that side conversations during the meeting were not acceptable;
- Visitor mentioned that court houses will implement better access for hard of hearing individuals at the courts. Noel from the MDCC will work with Monique Gordon (the City's ADA coordinator) into this further and possibly create a subcommittee;

### PRESENTATIONS:

- Colleen Nicol discussed MDC's code of ethics and gave a primer on the brown act.

### COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS:

- Mike mentioned that he will set up a meeting with the city planning about their 5-year master plan and ask about potential for ASL District in the future;



- Deaf Friendly Inc. questioned whether they can take over MDC's publicity. Jesus Marquez explained that MDC is self-publicizes through City of Riverside Social Media system. We are no longer affiliated with Deaf Friendly Inc;
- It was emphasized that MDC has no 501c3 and will go through Deaf Community of Riverside for future sponsors for the DeaFestival

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- Motion to approve: Anderson (April Minutes passed)

#### **REVIEW BOARD OF ATTENDANCE:**

- Chair Anderson reviewed absences for the following member: Victor Valdez (unexcused), Erica Hossler, Barbie Gomez (excused), Stephanie Martinez (excused), Jesus Marquez (excused), Sharon Sluder (excused), Helen Johnson-Peterson (excused);
- Luke mentioned that the MDCC needs to have an excused and unexcused policy written into the by-laws

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- A discussion was had about the importance of having all the discussion items for upcoming meetings in 12 days before the meeting date. Email to Darrel Utley or Mike Anderson before that date so your discussion/issue will be filled in the agenda to the coming meeting date;
- By-Laws review was suspended because page 3 and 4 were missing. Discussion postponed to next week;

#### **ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION:**

- Discuss the creation of a subcommittee for Los Angeles Club of the Deaf
- Discuss a possible attendance system for the MDC
- By-laws review, including unexcused absence policy
- DeaFestival, fundraising update

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

- Meeting adjourned at 5:35PM.