

CDFW
Disability Advisory Committee
July 19, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Director's Conference Room, 1416 9th St., Sacramento, CA

Call to Order at 8:30 by DAC Liaison, Melissa Carlin, followed by welcome/introductions.

- Those present were Chris Ladeas, Stephen Wertz, Mitsuko Grube, John Long, Terrie Torres, Lindsey Malinowski, Bernadette Fees, Melissa Carlin, Mark Wheatley, Michelle Hamby, Angela Barlow, Tina Cole, Marcella Rojas. Also attending via Lync were Patricia Bratcher, Glenn Underwood and Michael Flores.

Election of Chair and Vice Chair

- Mark Wheatley of Region 1, was elected as Chair and Michelle Hamby from the Office of Communication Education and Outreach

Goals for 2016/17

- A lengthy discussion was held regarding how best to operate the DAC. As it is new and there is little time until October and National Disability Awareness Month, it was decided to narrow the focus. More discussion will be carried out at the next meeting, to further define and finalize plans.
- Accessibility needs within the department were also discussed. Lindsey Malinowsky (Region 5) indicated a need in their region office. That matter will be investigated.
- Awareness of Reasonable Accommodations (RA), or possible RA needs of employees was discussed. Awareness and education regarding the Employment Assistance Program (EAP) was also discussed.

Adjournment

- Meeting was adjourned by Chairperson, Mark Wheatley, at 12:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by DAC Liaison, Melissa Carlin