

COMMUNITY VOTER OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

December 2, 2009

1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

PARTICIPANTS: Dean Logan, RegistrarRecorder/County Clerk

Ayme M. Garcia – RR/CC	Julia Keh – RR/CC
Blanca Casarrubias – RR/CC	Kenneth Bennett – RR/CC
Carolynn Vu-Tran – RR/CC	Letty Camarena – RR/CC
Darlene Bonds – RR/CC	Marcia Ventura – RR/CC
Debbie Martin – RR/CC	Marlene Smith – RR/CC
Dorothy Scates – RR/CC	Michelle Torres – RR/CC
Efrain Escobedo – RR/CC	Nelson Fernandez – RR/CC
Eileen Shea – RR/CC	Patt Sanders – RR/CC
Elizabeth Bejarano – RR/CC	Sonia Ramirez – RR/CC
Harriett Coleman-Russ – RR/CC	Sylvia Lira – RR/CC
Jeffrey Klein – RR/CC	Tim McNamara – RR/CC
Joanne Harris – RR/CC	Tom Ivey – RR/CC
	Vanessa Lawrence – RR/CC

Amanda Fowler – New America Foundation
Annette Gordon - Republican Party, Los Angeles County
Ardis Bazyn - California Council of the Blind
Carolyn Fowler – LACDP
Clark Lee - Los Angeles County Democratic Party
Donna Pomerantz - Los Angeles County Commission on Disabilities
Eugene Lee - Asian Pacific American Legal Center - Voting Rights Unit
Floyd McDonald - Los Angeles County, Office of Affirmative Action Compliance
Gladys Negrete - NALEO Educational Fund
Hillary Sklar - Disability Rights California
Judy Alter - Progressive Democrats - Los Angeles
Kathay Feng - Common Cause California
Kathleen Midstokke - City Clerk of Downey
Kevin Bayley - Disability Rights California
Kim Kaufman - Progressive Democrats of Los Angeles
Latricia Mitchell – NAACP
Leida Erickson - Los Angeles Board of Supervisors, 5th District
Marcy Koukhab - Nonprofit Voter Engagement Network

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Martha TorresVega – MALDEF

Mollie Lee Welinsky - Culver City Democratic Club

Nik Swiatek – LACDP

Norm Klemz - League Of Women Voters

Pat Klemz - League Of Women Voters

Pat Kromka - League of Women Voters –Torrance

Phyllis O'Connor - League of Women Voters - VSC, Long Beach Area

Richard Hunter - Republican Party of Los Angeles County

Sally Rivera - League of Women Voters- Whittier

Sandy Chu - Southern California Rehabilitation Services

Scott Baron - Disability Rights California

Terri Lantz – UCP

Thea Brodtkin - League of Women Voters

Tom Camarella - Culver City Democratic Club

I. WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

Dean Logan thanked community leaders for taking their time to participate in the CVOC meeting. Dean introduced Debbie Martin as our new RR/CC Chief Deputy, followed by round table introductions.

II. RR/CC UPDATES

Dean reviewed 2009, which should have been a slow year, instead we had 15 elections due to promotions, vacancies etc.

- November 3, 2009 UDEL Election results
Vote by Mail 145,843 = 51% of total ballots cast
Ballots Cast 282,858 = 13%
- Dean also answered questions for CVOC members.
Question: Should all cities try to consolidate their election?
Answer: Present ballot isn't big enough for RR/CC to hold all city elections especially the June Election due to different party specifications.

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Question: How many ballots came in the day after the election?

Answer: 743 ballots came in too late to be counted.

Question: When is the cut off for recounts?

Answer: Cut off is December 7th for recounts.

- 2010 Scheduled Elections

Dean also stated that two elections are scheduled for 2010 with the City of Long Beach running a concurrent run-off election with our June Primary.

- Legislative Updates

Tim McNamara reviewed the following Chaptered Bills:

AB 1337 – Electioneering

SB 6 – Elections: Primaries becomes operative in January 1, 2011 if SCA 4 is approved.

SCA 4 – Elections: Open Primaries

III. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- New subcommittees:

Polling Place Operations – Tim McNamara will be Co-Chair with Eugene Lee. This subcommittee will address issues on how to contact the RR/CC on or after Election Day along with pollworker training, debriefing etc.

Specialty Subcommittee – Efrain Escobedo and Marlene Smith will Co-Chair. This subcommittee will address multilingual pollworker recruitment, disability accessibility, and outreach to young and new voters.

Vote By Mail / Voter Registration – Patt Sanders will co-chair with a community member. It will address issues related to vote by mail (VBM) and voter registration.

- Sign-Up will be available after the meeting.

- The following questions were asked:

Question: How often are the meetings?

Answer: Quarterly, usually in the morning of the day of the CVOC meeting.

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Question: How long are the meetings?

Answer: One hour long, depends on the issues that are being discussed.

Question: Would it be possible to be a part of more than one committee?

Answer: Yes, the co-chairs will coordinate their meetings so there is no conflict.

Question: Will there be minutes of the CVOC meeting?

Answer: Yes, they will be provided via email.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- Census 2010 Educational Campaign
Kenneth did a PowerPoint presentation and provided handouts.
- Navigating RR/CC website
Tom Ivey did a presentation on how to navigate thru the RR/CC website.
- Outreach Activities/Calendar
Voter Outreach activities are limited due to the economy and limited funding. We are asking the community organization to partner with us in this effort.

V. OPEN DISCUSSION

Eugene Lee from the Asian Pacific American Legal Center talked about Redistricting and the Citizens Redistricting Commission that will be in charge of district landscaping. Redistricting will impact how we conduct our election in the future. This commission will be comprised of 14 members; 5 Democrats, 5 Republicans, and 4 members who are neither Democrats nor Republicans. For more information please visit the website (wedrawthelines.ca.gov)

VI. NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, March 3, 2010