

Sacramento County  
Department of Health Services  
HIV Health Services Planning Council  
Affected Communities Committee

**Meeting Minutes**

February 7, 2022, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

**Meeting Location:** Teleconference

**Facilitator:** Richard Benavidez – ACC Chair

**Scribe:** Paula Gammell – Council Staff

**Meeting Attendees:** Richard Benavidez, Zach B., and Steve Austin

**Members Excused:** N/A

**Members Absent:** Dennis Poupart and Kane Ortega.

**Guests:** Tracy Thomas

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Minutes</b>
Welcome, Introductions and Announcements	Welcome and introductions began at 3:03 p.m.  Jake Bradley-Rowe has decided to remain the Executive Director at Sunburst Projects.
Agenda Review*	Motion to approve the Agenda as presented was made by Zach B. with a second by Richard Benavidez and was approved by consensus.
January 2022 Minutes Review*	A copy of the January Minutes was presented for review and approval. Motion to approve the January 2022 Minutes as presented was made by Steve Austin with a second by Zach B. and approved by consensus.

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Spring 2022 Positive Advocate	A draft of the Spring 2022 Positive Advocate was presented for review. Committee members liked the proposed Healing Waters Wilderness Adventures article. Council Staff advised that the article was approved by Delton Johnson with Healing Waters. Council Staff also reached out for an article from Judy Vang, with the AIDS Education and Training Center. After discussion, the Committee suggested an article on Women’s and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day from Judy Vang.
Reflectiveness Update	The Council is currently exceeding the 1/3 reflectiveness requirement with a current reflectiveness of 41.7%. Tracy Thomas requested clarification on the “reflectiveness” requirement. Richard Benavidez explained that 33% of the Council members are required to be non-aligned consumers of HIV services. Non-aligned means that the individual is not employed by or a board member for a Ryan White-funded provider.
CY22 Training Calendar	The Sacramento LGBT Center has confirmed a presentation on their agency for the February Council meeting. A training on the services offered by the Sierra Foothills AIDS Foundation was suggested.
Outreach/Event Calendar	The Committee reviewed the Outreach Calendar. The Outreach Calendar is a list of events in that the Affected Communities Committee has previously participated in to raise awareness of HIV services, the Ryan White program and to increase Council recruitment/membership. Unfortunately, COVID has negatively impacted in-person events.
Technical Assistance	If you need Technical Assistance, please feel free to contact Richard Benavidez via telephone or email.
Public Comments	Richard Benavidez advised that he is going to be a guest speaker at the 41 <sup>st</sup> Annual Mental Health and Aging Conference, discussing Aging with Chronic Illness: HIV among people 50 and over.
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 3:31 p.m.