

ALAMEDA COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION Meeting

May 11, 2023

MINUTES



The mission of the Public Health Commission shall be to review and assess emerging health needs; initiate and improve health and disease prevention programs and policies; make recommendations regarding opportunities for building community capacity as related to public health priorities; and advocate for adequate resources and increased County action to improve community health.

Attendance Record (P = Present, A = Absent)

Dist #	Member Name	Term Exp.	1/12/23	2/09/23	3/09/23	4/13/23	5/11/23	6/08/23
1	Hurst, David	07/01/24	A	P	P	P	A	
1	Ramchandani, Harsha	12/7/24					P	
1	Narayan, Rajiv	01/30/25	A	A	P	P	P	
2	Castillo, Nestor	12/07/24	P	P	P	A	P	
2	Sahi, Jatinderpal	11/19/23	P	P	P	A	P	
2	Bhaiji, Ammar	10/7/23	A	P	A	A	A	
3	Boller, Greg	01/30/25	A	A	A	P	P	
3	Jim Meyers						P	
3	Varela, Rebekah	04/21/24	A	P	P	A	A	
4	Harper, Zhonnet	07/02/24	P	A	P	P	A	
4	Howard, Gary	11/28/23	P	P	P	A	P	
5	De La Pena Medina, Mitzy	03/23/23	P	A	P	P	P	
5	Budge, Jason	01/9/24	A	P	A	P	P	
5	Temple Perry, Koren	10/26/23	A	A	P	P	A	
5	Miskelly, Sally	01/26/25					P	
At-large	Van Cleve, Juliana	09/19/24	P	P	P	P	A	
At-large	Chowdhury, Mifta	09/13/23	P	P	P	A	P	

Staff: Evette Brandon, Quality Improvement & Accreditation ACPHD
Leah Fortin, Interim Support Staff PHC, ACPHD
Linda Franklin
Zandra Washington
George Ayala

Public: N/A

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

- Chair Castillo called the meeting of the Alameda Public Health Commission to order.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- N/A

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- No action to minute

Only 7 commissioners were present.

STAFF REPORT: Discussion on Brown Act: posting addresses of virtual attendees to count for quorum still may only be allowed to virtually participate twice a year to count as Quorum need 72 hours notice, better if it's one week's notice.

Commissioner Boller offered to check for further updates from Santa Clara attorney's office. Evette noted that Zandra is in contact with County Council June Oh and will share further information as we receive the information.

Chair report

CAG: Commissioner Castillo has been chair of the CAG it is disbanding members have been invited to join the Public Health commission. The Pacific Islander Regional network is especially interested Public Health Commissioners should keep an eye out for vulnerable populations and report on this.

Measure A: (sales tax revenue for public health and low-income Health Services St Rose and other small programs asking for money.

Committee Reports

Health Equity In All Committee did not meet

Oral Health Committee: Commissioner Harper reported said the group is very active, they only meet quarterly. Next meeting is June 7.

Nomination committee seeks new members. Next meeting 5/22/23

Ad hoc committees (must be time bound with a specific subject)

The justice and equity ad hoc committee has sunset.

Strategic plan

Nestor reviewed notes listed internal and external focused activities

Internal List (Top Priorities marked with #1)

- #1 1. Onboarding (Nomination committee)
- 2. Brown Act
- 3. Continuing efforts
- 4. Community presence
- #1 5. Communications: podcast, public info team (educate, inform?), **website, social media**
- #1 6. Project management Seeking a tool that doesn't violate Brown Act
- #1 7. Front door

External activities list (was not prioritized at the strategic planning retreat)

1. OTGA
2. Oral health committee
3. Mental Health
4. Black maternal health
5. Medi-Cal access
6. Cancer for
7. Closer relationship to Board of Supervisors

Question from Commissioner Miskelly asked for clarification is the Strategic plan a based on the fiscal year July 1st to June 30th or the calendar year.

Committee review:

There was a committee review looking at each committee's duties in detail with an eye toward what can be streamlined how often groups should meet in order to make the workload more manageable given the requirement to attend in person. Committee to implement priorities could be ad hoc.

Discussions:

External priority ideas shared:

1. Commissioner Howard shared Evette's idea of speed dating (or World Cafe) in a community setting like Ashland/Cherryland to show the community what the Public Health Department does. Proposed For the Fall
2. Commission members will reach out to their Board of Supervisor member before the next meeting, to schedule a meeting with either BOS member or their staff. Vice-chair De La Pena Medina shared that she asks her Board of Supervisors member what their priorities are for the coming months and any events that they are doing in the community that the Public Health commission could support or participate in.

Request to Staff to send the annual report and work plan to the new commissioners. Linda has these logged in her Commission and Council grid in SharePoint,

Question from a commissioner: Does the commission know the Public Health Department's priorities? Brief discussion; table to another meeting.

Announcements

The Violence Prevention Town Hall was shared to the assembled group.