



Santa Cruz County Syringe Services Program Advisory Commission

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Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, August 3, 2021
Time: 6:00pm – 7:30pm
LOCATION: Remote Meeting
PRESENT: Damon Bruder (*3rd District*), Sharon DeJong (*5th District*), Patty King (*At Large*), Eric Sturm (*4th District*), Steve Plumb (*1st District*),
EXCUSED: None
ABSENT: (*At Large*), Jim Hart (*2nd District*), Sven Stafford (*Principal Administrative Analyst*)
STAFF: Rahshan Williams (*Program Coordinator*), Jennifer Herrera (*Assistant Health Services Agency (HSA) Director*), Nicole Meza (*Administrative Aide*), Socorro Gutierrez (*Health Services Manager*), Gail Newel (*Health Officer*), Megan Holland (*Administrative Services Manager*),
GUESTS: Katherine McGrew (*Guest Presenter*), Jane (*Guest*), DF (*Guest*), David J. Terrazas (*Guest*)

1. Call to Order/Roll Call/Introductions

Meeting convened at 6:03PM.

2. Review and Approve July 13, 2021, Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve by Patty K.
- Seconded by Damon B.

Sharon D. – Yay, Eric S. – Yay, Steve P. – Yay

3. Election of Officers-Sharon Dejong, Commission Chair

- Offer to Vice Chair King to move up to position of Chair.
 - Vice Chair King to stay as Vice Chair.
- Motion to nominate Commissioner Bruder to Chair by Steve P.
 - Seconded by Vice Chair Patty K.
 - Commissioner Damon B. will be Chair effective next meeting.

4. Program Updates-Rahshan William, Program Coordinator & Jennifer Herrera, HSA Assistant Director

Rahshan Williams provided updates on SSP program activities.

- Jennifer Herrera provided updates on what we can expect in the future for this program.

- Suggestion/request for inclusion in the Program Report each month by Damon B.: a monthly report (typically will be a month or two in arrears).

1. How many individual clients are accessing the SSP Program every month every month and 2. How many needles are being given out at the SSP program.

- Program update slides to be forwarded to the Commission.

5. Presentations-by Katherine (Kaite McGrew)

- Presentation to Commission: Commission Capacity Building-Taking Impactful Action
- Presentation to be forwarded to Commission

6. Public Comment:

3 minutes per speaker: raise hand or speak up or use chat function.

- None

7. New Business/Action Items

8. Topics for Future Meetings & Action Items

- Follow up on information we learned from Tim Goncharoff, Dept. of Public Works
- Follow up on most recent legislation: AB 1344, State Department of Public Health: Needle and Syringe Exchange Services

9. Adjournment

Motioned to adjourn by Patty K., seconded by Damon B.

- a) **Motion to adjourn passed.**
- b) Meeting was adjourned at 7:30PM