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Voting Accessibility Advisory Committee (VAAC)

Wednesday, April 3, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees:

Registrar of Voters Office (ROV)

Karie Lew, Disability Rights California (DRC)

Jacqueline Forte, Modesto Junior College Disability Services and Programs for Students (DSPS)

Blanca Marin, West Modesto Community Collaborative (WMCC)

1) 2024 Presidential Primary Election Review

The ROV shared that this election was the first where a ballot marking device was availability at select vote centers in Stanislaus. It was a low turnout election overall. There were no requests made by voters to use the ballot marking device at curbside.

DRC shared that they observed vote centers during the election. At one site, DRC brought an accessibility issue to the attention of the ROV. DRC recognized that ROV acted quickly on the issue. DRC will compile information from the organization's hotline to give feedback to ROV.

DSPS requested handouts with information on registering and how to vote in English and Spanish. ROV will provide documents to share with the public.

WMCC shared confusion relating to security presence at the vote center at King Kennedy. ROV will address confusion with the assigned lead and make sure it is clarified in training.

2) Website review

DRC will provide more information on the new Accessible Voting page but pointed out a header that needed to be removed.

3) Member updates

DRC requested to add the topic of voter services for deaf voters on the next agenda.

DSPS shared that there are new guidelines for accessibility compliance coming out. The group requested to have the information on this shared.

Next meeting: Wednesday, July 3, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.