

**PUBLIC SAFETY RACIAL EQUITY ADVISORY GROUP
MEETING AGENDA
1911 WILLIAMS DRIVE, OXNARD, CA
THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2024
5:30 PM -7:30 PM**

MEETING PARTICIPATION:

Topic: PSREAG Meeting
**Location: Ventura County Behavioral Health
Large Training Room
1911 Williams Drive, Oxnard, CA**

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OPENING

- 1. CALL TO ORDER (10 MIN)**
 - a. Spotlight a Group Norm
 - b. Roll Call & Confirm Quorum
 - c. Introductions and Welcome to New Members
- 2. APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTES (5 MIN)**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AND/OR FOR OTHER ITEMS WITHIN PSREAG SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION (10 MIN)**

REGULAR AGENDA

- 4. JURISDICTION REVIEW AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PSREAG BYLAWS AND COUNTY OF VENTURA CODE OF CONDUCT FOR MEMBERS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS (30 MIN)**
 - a. Presentation by CEO Staff
 - b. Member Discussion
- 5. UPDATE BY RECOMMENDATIONS REVIEW *AD HOC* SUBCOMMITTEE AND APPROVAL OF TWO POSSIBLE RECOMMENDATIONS RELATED TO TRAINING AND GROUP PROCESS (20 MIN)**
 - a. Presentation by Ad Hoc Lead/s
 - b. Member Discussion
 - c. Consider Potential Action
- 6. PRESENTATION OF UPDATED DRAFT DATA REPORT FROM POLICY AND PRACTICE *AD HOC* SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSIDER APPROVAL (30 MIN)**
 - a. Presentation by Ad Hoc Lead
 - b. Review of Comments by Members
 - c. Public Comment for this Agenda Item
 - d. Consider Potential Action to Approve Report

8. MEMBER AND STAFF COMMENTS (10 MIN)

- a. Upcoming meetings of the PSREAG scheduled for the 1st Thursday of the Month at 5:30 PM. The next regular meeting will be held at 1911 Williams Drive, Oxnard, CA, and hybrid options for the public.

9. ADJOURN

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AGENDA ITEM: #4 DATE: APRIL 4, 2024

COUNTY OF VENTURA	2018 ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY MANUAL	GENERAL INFORMATION CHAPTER II-21
Originating Agency: BOS	Last Issued/Revised July 12, 2022	CODE OF CONDUCT FOR MEMBERS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
Policy Change Requires: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Board of Supervisors Approval <input type="checkbox"/> CEO Approval		

POLICY

It is the policy of the Board of Supervisors to hold public meetings in accordance with the requirements of the Brown Act (Government Code section 54950 et seq.) and any other applicable governing legislation. The Board is committed to the highest standards of conduct by and among its elected and appointed county officials in the performance of their duties on County Boards and Commissions and the Board seeks to ensure that promoting the common good is the hallmark of the decision-making process. A code of conduct for County appointed board and commission members will help ensure public meetings are conducive to civil discourse, including with respect to controversial matters and disparate viewpoints which is the cornerstone of representative democracy and essential to effective decision-making.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

I. Applicability of Code of Conduct

This Code of Conduct is adopted pursuant to Government Code section 25003 and shall apply to all Board and Commission members appointed by the County of Ventura Board of Supervisors (Hereinafter referred to as Appointee(s)).

Except as otherwise provided by law, the failure to strictly observe application of the Code of Conduct shall not affect the jurisdiction of the Board or Commission or invalidate any action taken at a meeting that is otherwise held in conformity with law.

II. Code of Conduct

- a. Discrimination: There shall be no discrimination of any individual because of race, color, national origin, religion (creed), gender, gender expression, age, sexual orientation, marital status, native language, functional limitation, or any other characteristic protected by law.

III. Each appointee shall adhere to the following principles:

1. Promote decisions that serve the public interest and promote the greatest public good.
2. Actively promote public confidence in county government through their actions.
3. Recognize and support the public's right to know the public's business.
4. Involve citizens in the decision-making process and welcome divergent points of view.
5. Respond to the public in ways that are complete, clear, and easy to understand.
6. Maintain a respectful attitude toward the public, employees, other public officials, and colleagues.
7. Respect and protect privileged confidential information (i.e., personnel matters, litigation).
8. Be a good listener, carefully considering all opinions and points of view.
9. Be informed on the background on issues before your commission or board.
10. Work in partnership with other governmental agencies, political subdivisions, and organizations to further the interest of the county. However, no board or commission member shall hold themselves out as representing the County to any state, county, city, special district or school district, agency or commission, nor to any other organization or members of the public, on any matter unless specifically authorized to do so by the Board of Supervisors.
11. Reference to an appointed position or title will only be used when attending official meetings or functions and in no case shall the appointed title be used to promote or advance personal or political interests.
12. Avoid outside interests that will interfere or conflict with maintaining an objective and impartial perspective.
13. Carefully guard against conflict of interest or its appearance in actions or decisions.
14. Accepting gifts, services, or any object of value from any source offered to influence a decision is prohibited.
15. Efforts to influence or attempt to influence other officials to act in a manner benefiting personal/financial interests are prohibited.
16. Evaluate recommendations (or decisions) to identify the best service, product, or alternative at minimal cost without sacrificing quality or fiscal responsibility.
17. Comply with all laws, ordinances, policies and regulations applicable to an appointed official and those governing the conduct of meetings.

Public Safety Racial Equity Advisory Group Bylaws

The Ventura County Board of Supervisors (BOS) resolution adopted on November 10, 2020, declared racism a public health crisis and pledged to promote equity, inclusion, and diversity in housing, employment, economic development, health care, and public safety in the County of Ventura. The resolution adoption and subsequent implementation is integral to the County becoming a “more racial equity and justice-oriented organization in service to our community.” The BOS directed the CEO to establish an advisory group to help foster meaningful discussions and to identify concerns related to policing policies and procedures regarding matters such as hiring, training, and misconduct. The BOS envisioned an independent advisory group consisting of both public safety and community leaders, all of whom would collaborate to create greater understanding and identify strategies and proposals to improve institutional law enforcement practices.

Name:

The advisory group shall be called the *Public Safety Racial Equity Advisory Group*, also referred to in this document as PSREAG or Advisory Group.

Purpose:

The purpose of the PSREAG is to provide a forum where public safety and community stakeholders collaborate to improve communications and understanding amongst the parties and the greater public. The PSREAG will work to identify potential solutions to improving law enforcement policies and procedures and community engagement. The PSREAG will provide valuable input on issues surrounding public safety, equity, and justice-oriented best practices to enhance policies, procedures, and community interactions, while increasing access, transparency and fostering a mutual understanding.

Goals:

1. **Improve Communications:** Working together in a two-way dialogue between public safety agencies and community organizations that share an interest in advancing an equitable justice system and creating a community forum by which information, education and ideas are encouraged and exchanged.
2. **Improve Policies and Procedures:** This forum will help increase public understanding of public safety policies and procedures, as well as identifying areas of concern and offering potential solutions or strategies for enhancements. Findings, proposals, updates, or recommendations may be submitted in a report to the County CEO for placement on a Board of Supervisors meeting agenda on an annual basis, or as needed, and will be distributed throughout the community.

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Membership:

PSREAG will be composed of five (5) Agency Members representing County of Ventura government and public safety agencies, and ten (10) Community Group Members from across the County of Ventura, each of whom possess one (1) vote when votes need to be taken and recorded.

Agency Members / County of Ventura and Public Safety Representatives:

Sheriff

Municipal Law Enforcement Agency Head (Chief of Police)

District Attorney

Public Defender

Probation

Each Member Agency or Community Group will appoint an individual representative (or Advisory Member) for the Advisory Group as well as an alternate. Within three years of adopting these bylaws, term limits will be considered as a possible amendment to the bylaws.

If the appointed Advisory Member leaves their agency or community group or is otherwise no longer part of the organization group they represent, that individual will no longer qualify as an Advisory Member with a vote. In their place a new member from the same organization will be identified by that organization, nominated and submitted to the Co-chairs for placement on the next upcoming meeting agenda and ratified by current PSREAG members.

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Meetings

Date, Time and Location: Meetings will be held monthly on the first Thursday of the month convening at 5:30 p.m. with an expectation of a two-hour time limit at the location stated on the meeting agenda. Meeting dates conflicting with a holiday can be rescheduled to a date and time determined in advance by the PSREAG Co-chairs.

Public Access: PSREAG welcomes our diverse communities regardless of race, ethnicity, and national origin, age, range of abilities, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, financial means, and education. Meetings will be open to the public and held either virtually or in a facility accessible to the general public.

Ad Hoc Subcommittees: Ad hoc subcommittees can be formed during regular meetings in alignment with the purpose, goals and functions outlined in these bylaws. Ad hoc subcommittees may meet as needed outside of regular meetings. Ad hoc subcommittees will report back to the PSREAG when subcommittee members have identified information to report. See Addendum A for ad hoc guidelines.

Agendas: The Co-chairs will prepare the meeting agenda for each meeting and distribute to each Advisory Group member and interested parties. Meeting agendas will be provided at least 72-hours before each meeting.

Special Meeting: Special meetings may be called and scheduled by the Co-Chairs or by regular motion and majority vote of the PSREAG at any time during a meeting. Special Meeting agendas will be provided at least 24-hours before each meeting.

Rules of Order

The Advisory Group will be governed by the Ralph M. Brown Act California Government Code Section 54950, et. seq. (the "Brown Act").

Quorum: Attendance of at least (eight) 8 members constitutes a quorum. A quorum may be established through "in person" attendance, "virtual" attendance (such as via an online meeting), telephonic participation, or a combination thereof as long as the Member's attendance is in compliance with the Brown Act. In the absence of a voting member, a designated alternate who is serving as proxy for a particular meeting may count as a member for the purposes of reaching a quorum.

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Duties of Presiding Officers: The Advisory Group will select two (2) Co-chairs, consisting of one Agency Member Co-chair and one community group Co-chair, to alternate the leading of meetings. A secretary shall also be selected to either author meeting minutes or appoint another to author the minutes and record member voting. The secretary must also review and approve the minutes prior to placing the minutes on the agenda for approval by the PSREAG.

The above stated officers shall serve terms of one (1) year at a time. Each year and on a rotating basis, the Advisory Group will select two co-chairs and a secretary. Officers should not serve more than two (2) consecutive terms.

The Role Co-Chairs: The Co-chairs will set the agenda and chair the meetings. Co-chairs will alternate chairing the meetings and will stand in as chair when the other co-chair is not available. The presiding co-chair will conduct the meeting in compliance with the Brown Act. The presiding co-chair provides leadership and ensures the work of PSREAG progresses effectively. In most cases, the presiding co-chair would refrain from speaking during discussion or debate until all others have spoken and should not make or second a motion unless the presiding co-chair is convinced no other member of the body will do so at that point in time.

In the absence or unavailability of both co-chairs, at the beginning of the meeting, the Advisory Group will vote to appoint a Chair Pro-Tempore for that meeting.

Rules of Discussion and Debate: Advisory Members should know and understand the rules of parliamentary procedure.

Every Advisory Member who wishes to will have an opportunity to speak and address the Advisory Group to the question or topic under consideration/debate. The Advisory Member speaking will not be interrupted unless called to order by the presiding Co-Chair. The presiding Co-chair determines all points of order except that Advisory Members may request that a point of order be determined by majority vote. Advisory Members of the public shall not engage in debate with other Advisory Members, or members of the public.

Public Participation/Comments: At each meeting, PSREAG will set aside time for public comment and input related to matters of PSREAG's purpose and agenda items. The Chair will determine a reasonable time allotment for each speaker on an agenda item up to three (3) minutes or up to six (6) minutes if interpretation is being utilized.

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Any person that makes threatening or abusive language, or engages in any disorderly conduct which disrupts, disturbs or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of the PSREAG meetings, at the discretion of the chair, will be barred from further audience before the advisory during the meeting.

Voting: The Advisory Group will strive for consensus on all decisions and motions. Motions will be carried by a majority vote of PSREAG members present as long as a quorum has been reached. Voting will be confined to PSREAG governance, as defined in the bylaws purpose and goals. The Secretary will record motions and results of votes of each Advisory Member present at the meeting. There will be only one vote allowed per member agency/organization. In the absence of the appointed representative, each agency/organization's designated alternate may vote as a proxy in the absence of the appointed representative. Appointed representatives should notify the chair ahead of the meeting when a proxy will be voting in their absence.

Minutes: Minutes recording the motions and actions at each meeting will be approved by the secretary and placed on a following meeting agenda for approval by the PSREAG.

Advisory Member Code of Conduct

PSREAG is committed to showing respect for our members and the communities we serve. We affirmatively acknowledge that each member individually and as a group, is responsible for our decisions and their consequences.

We are committed to:

- Acting honestly, truthfully and with integrity in all our transactions and dealings;
- Avoiding conflicts of interest;
- Appropriately handling actual or apparent conflicts of interest in our relationships;
- Treating every individual with dignity, respect, fairness and good faith;
- Complying with both the spirit and the letter of the law;

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- Acting responsibly and demonstrating a high degree of cultural competency toward the communities in which we work and for the benefit of the communities that we serve;
- Not using threatening or abusive language, or engaging in any disorderly conduct which disrupts, disturbs or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of the meeting;
- Speaking only when recognized by the Chair and will refrain from speaking over others;
- Being responsible, transparent and accountable for all our actions; and
- Improving the accountability, transparency, ethical conduct and effectiveness in the area

Meeting Agreements

- Strive to reach agreements by consensus
- Own your own intentions and impacts
- Move back
- Listen actively
- Challenge with care
- Recognize each other as representatives of different communities
- Respect each other equally
- No subgroups or discussions of meeting outside the meeting; bring conversations into the room
- No PSREAG member shall purport to represent the PSREAG or that they are acting on behalf of the PSREAG when they contacting or communicating with any member of the public, media or elected official regarding PSREAG related topics, without prior direction from the full PSREAG to do during a regular or special meeting.

Removal of Members

The Advisory Members may declare vacant the position of a Community Organization Membership on the occurrence of any of the following events:

- The organization's designated representative has not attended three consecutive meetings and the organization has not nominated a replacement member.
- The organization has failed to nominate a new representative upon notification that its current designated representative has:
 - violated the PSREAG's bylaws;
 - been declared of unsound mind by a final order of court;
- Been convicted of a felony while serving on the Advisory Group; or been found guilty for a crime that goes against the purpose of PSREAG by a court of law.
- The organization dissolves or otherwise ceases to exist.

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Selection of New Members

Upon a Community Organization Membership vacancy on PSREAG, the Advisory Group shall publicly notify Ventura County community-based organizations of the vacancy to solicit letters of interest. The Advisory Group shall rank the applications and vote on the top two ranked organization applications. The applicant who receives a majority of the votes will be invited to nominate a member to serve on the Advisory Group for the remaining term of the vacancy.

Bylaw Amendments

Proposed amendments to these bylaws will be submitted for review to the PSREAG no less than ten (10) working days prior to consideration at a scheduled meeting. Amendments to these bylaws will be effective upon a majority vote of Advisory Members. The date of the approval will be included in this document and subsequent amendments will be dated accordingly.

Revisions

First charter on 10-07-2021

Formally approved on 02-03-2022

Revisions approved on 01-05-2023

Revisions approved on 03-02-2023

BYLAWS ADDENDUM A
Public Safety Racial Equity Advisory Group (PSREAG)
Ad Hoc Committee Functions & Guidance

- Ad hoc committees shall be established during a regular or special meeting by a formal action of the PSREAG.
- Ad hoc committees may not consist of more than 7 members. Alternates may fully participate in ad hoc committees along with the lead voting member from their organization.
- Ad hoc committees automatically sunset when goal is reached or timeline is maxed and may be otherwise disbanded or suspended by an action of the PSREAG.
- Ad hoc committees must be for a specific goal or goals and have an expected timeline for completion. Any changes to goal/s or timeline must be approved by an action of the PSREAG at a regular or special meeting
- Ad hoc committees should generally last one year or less but should not exceed 2 years unless approved by the PSREAG and reviewed by County Counsel.
- Ad hoc committee members should follow the bylaws rules of engagement and work towards consensus on decisions.
- Ad hoc committee communication expectations:
 - Ad hoc committees must submit monthly summary reports to the ODEI support staff to be included in the meeting packet a minimum of one week before
 - Ad hoc committees should bring any research, proposals, recommendations or recommended action to the PSREAG larger body for consideration.
 - Chair of Ad Hoc works directly with Office of DEI staff to arrange meetings, and requests for information.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT AND REVIEW

By signing this form below, I acknowledge that I have received and reviewed copies of the Bylaws of the Ventura County Public Safety and Racial Equity Group (PSREAG), including but not limited to the Advisory Member Code of Conduct contained therein (Advisory Member Code), and the County of Ventura's Code of Conduct for Members of Boards and Commissions (Code of Conduct).

By signing this form below, I also acknowledge and agree that my failure to abide by the terms of the Advisory Member Code and/or Code of Conduct may result in my community group's removal from the PSREAG.

Questions regarding the meaning and application of the Advisory Member Code and Code of Conduct should be addressed to the County of Ventura's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Manager.

PRINT NAME

SIGNATURE

AGENCY MEMBER

PUBLIC SAFETY RACIAL EQUITY ADVISORY GROUP
AGENDA ITEM: #5
DATE: APRIL 4, 2024

Subject: Ad Hoc Recommendation Group

Summary: Our first recommendation was already passed by PSREAG. This month we collaborated to draft, edit, and finalize the language of our second and third recommendations. No one in the Ad Hoc opposed the recommendations or the proposed language.

Recommended Actions: We are asking to be heard for an action item at the April meeting to present our two recommendations to the larger group and ask for a vote.

Attachment(s): The proposed language is below.

Recommendation #2

It is recommended that all PSREAG governmental and community groups institute regular (annual-if not more frequent), relevant and responsive trainings for their own agencies on recognizing and mitigating explicit, implicit, and structural forms of bias within the context of their respective delivery of services to the public. It is further recommended that the effectiveness of these trainings should be regularly evaluated internally (ideally annually) by the implementing agency and adjusted as necessary to reflect changing norms and foster continuous improvement.

Recommendation #3

PSREAG shall continue to form ad hoc groups in accordance with the bylaws in order to efficiently make recommendations of goals that support the PSREAG mission statement.

**PUBLIC SAFETY RACIAL EQUITY
ADVISORY GROUP
AGENDA ITEM: #6 DATE: APRIL 4, 2024**

**Policy & Practice
Subcommittee
Recommendations
to PSREAG**

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THE BASIS FOR MOVING FORWARD

EXCERPT FROM REPORT

"If one is looking for proof of racial animus, they will not find it in this study. Studies such as this cannot provide definitive answers; instead, they provide questions. These questions can become the starting point for a collaborative effort between law enforcement and the community to explore the meaning and implications of the information we have uncovered and develop reasonable and effective solutions."

EXCERPT FROM VCSO RESPONSE

"the Ventura County Sheriff's Department welcomes the opportunity to use this data to continuously maintain and improve upon our longstanding positive relationship with our community"

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The Policy & Practice Subcommittee Recommends:

1. That Appendix B, "VCSO Response" not be included as a part of the report but instead may be distributed by the Sheriff's Office who wrote it.
2. That Appendix C, "Civilian Oversight Models" not be included in the report

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The Policy & Practice Subcommittee Recommends:

3. That the following information, which is not available on the RIPA dashboard, be researched and included in a follow-up report
 - Age Related Data Analysis
 - LGBTQ Data Analysis
 - Disability Related Data Analysis
 - Reasonable Suspicion & Search Data not result of traffic stop
4. That the recommendations included in the report be modified as outlined in the following slides

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REVISED REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

1. EXPLORE IMPLICATIONS OF RIPA DATA

- In conjunction with the VCSO representative, the subcommittee will identify areas of the report that warrant further examination
- Determine what additional data, if any, will help us understand and properly interpret the RIPA data
- Obtain additional data as necessary and recommend appropriate action

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REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

2. COMPLAINT PROCESS

- Form a Complaint Subcommittee to explore ways to improve the present complaint resolution process.
- The subcommittee's explorations should include the fact that no complaints against the Sheriff's Office that were based on race have ever been sustained.

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REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

3. Consensual Searches

- Recommend VCSO policy for consensual searches require deputies to inform the person being searched of their right to refuse, prior to initiating a consensual search

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SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

4. Future Investigations

- Recommend Policy & Practice Subcommittee perform a similar analysis on RIPA data from Municipal Police Forces in the county.
- Recommend Policy & Practice Subcommittee formally request and analyze data from District Attorney

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SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

4. Future Investigations (Continued)

- To the extent that data is available, future reports include analysis of data for the following groups
 - LGBTQ
 - Disabled
 - Age Youth/Elderly

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SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

4. Further Investigation (Continued)

- Future analyses also include
 - Reasonable Suspicion Charges that are not a result of traffic stops
 - Searches - that are not a result of traffic stops

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SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

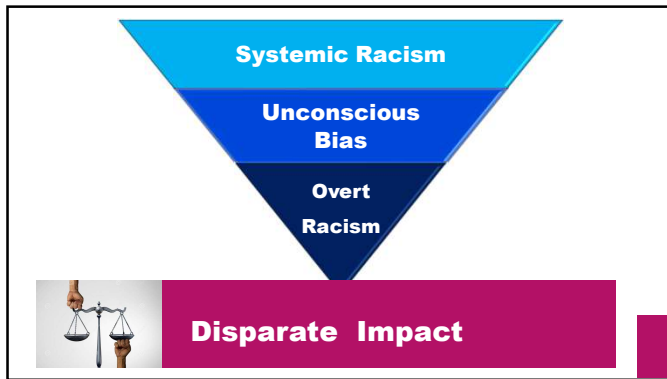
Finally, the Subcommittee recommends

- That the report be approved, in principle, by the PSREAG at this meeting.
- That members be provided a final revised copy of the report within one week of this meeting
- Final approval of the report at the May meeting.
- Report forwarded to Board of Supervisors

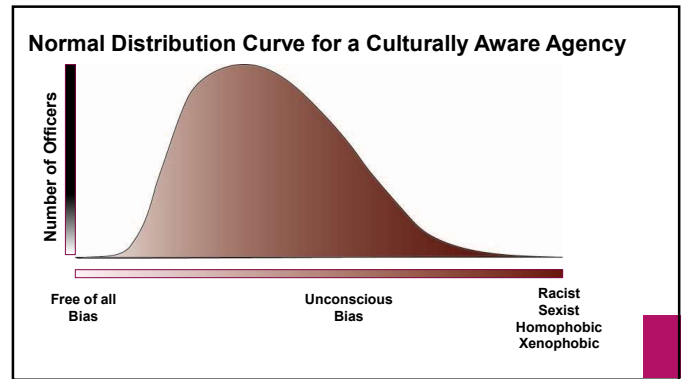
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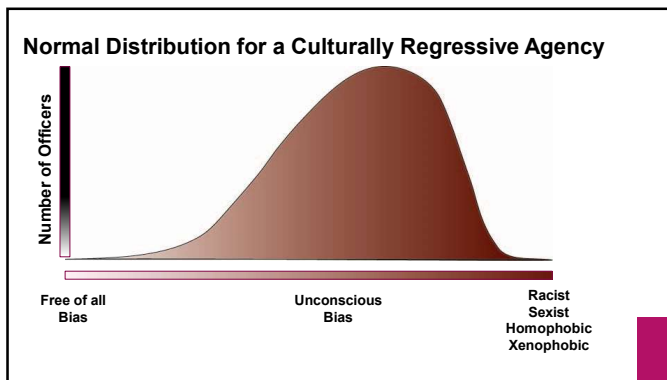
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- ### Policy & Practice Subcommittee Recommendations
1. VCISO RESPONSE
 - ▶ Part of Report or Separate Document
 2. RECOMMENDATIONS
 - ▶ Part of the Report or Assigned to a follow-up Subcommittee
 3. ADDITIONAL DATA
 - ▶ Reasonable Suspicion that is not a result of a traffic stop
 - ▶ Searches - that are not a result of traffic stops
 - ▶ Disability
 - ▶ LGBTQ
 - ▶ Age
 - ▶ MIXTECO
 4. LANGUAGE

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OPENING

1. CALL TO ORDERED 5:41 pm

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- b. Roll Call & Confirm Quorum
 - i. Quorum established

c. Members present in-person unless otherwise indicated:

- i Andrew Salinas, VC Sheriff's Office
- ii Mike Jump, District Attorney
- iii Brooke Lautz, VC Public Defender
- iv Tim Dowler, VC Probation
- v Cynthia Gonzalez, NAACP (Co-Chair)
- vi Christina Eilar, Santa Paula Townhall
- vii Damon Jenkins, Black Lawyers of VC
- viii Vanessa Benitez, Latinx Bar Association
- ix Cindy Liu, We Belong Everywhere (online)
- x Bob Bland, Conejo Valley Interfaith Association
- xi Roland Catabona, Diversity Collective of VC (online)
- xii Genevieve Flores-Haro, MICOP
- xiii Ivan Vegan, Future Leaders of American (online)
- d. Other County of Ventura Staff in attendance:
 - i Gabriela Cázares
 - ii Kate English
 - iii Steven Auclair
 - iv Fajima Danish Engl
 - v Melissa McMurdo
 - vi Marcos Aviles

2. APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTES - motioned carried unanimously

3. PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA AND/OR FOR OTHER ITEMS WITHIN PSREAG SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION (10 MIN)

- Public Comment made by Willie Lubka on agenda item number 7

REGULAR AGENDA

4. REPORT FROM COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBER APPLICATION REVIEW AD HOC AND CONSIDER POTENTIAL ACTION TO APPOINT ONE OF TWO ORGANIZATIONS AS THE NEW PSREAG COMMUNITY MEMBER ORGANIZATION: PROJECT50 OR GATHERING FOR JUSTICE (20 MIN)

- a. Presentation by Ad Hoc
- b. Member Discussion
- c. Consider Potential Action

- i Group voted and had 100% consensus on Project50.
- ii Moved to add Project50 be added to CMO to PSREAG.
- iii Motion carried.

5. UPDATE BY RECOMMENDATIONS REVIEW AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE (10 MIN)

- a. Presentation by Ad Hoc Lead/s
 - i. Update provided by Damon Jenkins
- b. Member Discussion

6. PRESENTATION FROM CEO-DEI ON RACIAL EQUITY TERMS AND GARE (GOVERNMENT ALLIANCE ON RACIAL EQUITY) FRAMEWORK (15 MIN)

- a. Presentation by DEI Staff
- b. Q & A

7. DISCUSSION OF DRAFT REPORT FROM POLICY AND PRACTICE AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE (30 MIN)

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9. ADJOURNED at 7:18pm

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