



# Commission on Asian & Pacific Islander American Affairs

## Full Commission Meeting

**Location:** West Classroom, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
UCLA Young Research Library  
280 Charles E Young Dr.  
N. Los Angeles, CA 90095

Zoom Link:

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**Date:** Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Time:** 1:00PM- 4:30PM (PST)

### Staff Present:

Khydeeja Alam, Executive Director  
Emma Anderson, Executive Assistant



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## Proposed Minutes

Time	Agenda Items & Topic
1:00PM - 1:05PM	<p><b>1. Welcome and Call to Order– Chair Serena Kirk</b> Call to order at 1:04 PM</p>
1:05PM - 1:10PM	<p><b>2. Roll Call and Establish Quorum– Commission Secretary Jason Paguio</b></p> <p>Rajan Gill- Present Theodore Kim- Present Chair Serena Kirk- Present Helen Lee- Absent Kirin Macapugay- Present on Zoom Jason Paguio- Present on Zoom Simon Pang- Absent Darshana Patel- Present on Zoom Janani Ramachandran- Absent Lance Toma- Present Taunu'u Ve'e- Present David Yee- Present</p>
1:10PM – 1:20PM	<p><b>3. Opening Remarks – Chair Serena Kirk</b></p>
1:20PM - 1:30PM	<p><b>4. Vote item – Approval of October 2023 Minutes – Chair Serena Kirk</b> October 10, 2023 Minutes</p> <p>-Moved by Patel -Seconded by Yee</p> <p>All Ayes. 0 Nos. 0 Abstain. Motion to approve carries.</p>



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1:30PM – 2:00PM	<p><b>5. Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act Overview – Christopher Phillips, Chief Counsel, Cannabis Control Appeals Panel</b></p> <p><b>Q&amp;A</b> Link to Presentation: <a href="https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:86618a7f-4061-33f3-9179-f75e3882ba6c">https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:86618a7f-4061-33f3-9179-f75e3882ba6c</a></p> <p>Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act Presentation by our legal Counsel Chris Phillips</p>
2:00PM – 2:50PM	<p><b>6. Partner Presentations</b></p>
	<p><b>a. AA &amp; NHPI Mental Health Experiences in California – Connie Tan, AAPI Data</b></p> <p>Link to Slideshow presentation: <a href="https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:603db2f7-7b01-3f36-b560-1d70218107d2">https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:603db2f7-7b01-3f36-b560-1d70218107d2</a></p> <p>Comprehensive discussion by Connie, expounding on the mental health experiences in California. Based on the data provided, 1 in 6 AA and 1 in 4 NHPI adults report a need for mental health support. Comments- Robust discussion from Commissioners highlighting the work AAPI Data supports in the community.</p> <p><b>b. Stop the Hate Grant (Los Angeles) – Manju Kulkarni, Kiran Bhalla; AAPI Equity Alliance</b></p> <p>Slideshow Presentation: <a href="https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:3dcde472-78d7-390c-bcd1-e95b0e7bacd7">https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:3dcde472-78d7-390c-bcd1-e95b0e7bacd7</a></p> <p>Kiran presented a slideshow based on the Stop the Hate Program and the impact they have had in the</p>



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	<p>community.</p> <p>Took up break time for questions and comments</p> <p>The commission had a discussion on the data presented and the good work that is being done. Stop the Hate would like guidance from CAPIAA on widening the outreach to the community.</p> <p><b>Public Comment- None</b></p>
2:50PM – 3:05PM	<p><b>7. Break</b></p>
3:05PM - 3:50PM	<p><b>8. Committee Updates – Commissioners</b></p> <p><b>a. Executive Committee – Chair Serena Kirk</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vote Item: CAPIAA Budget Proposal</b></li> </ul> <p>Budget Proposal:  <a href="https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:4fc55d90-fff5-3e14-9e14-6e9a55b07af0">https://acrobat.adobe.com/link/review?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:4fc55d90-fff5-3e14-9e14-6e9a55b07af0</a></p> <p>Budget Proposal shared by Chair Kirk. The document and proposal did not follow the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act. Commissioner Macapugay shared concerns about the process and specific proposals in the document. Legal Counsel agreed with the concerns shared. The vote was tabled till the next meeting.</p> <p><b>b. Higher Education Equity Committee – Commissioner Kirin Macapugay</b></p> <p>Commissioner Macapugay gave an update on re-appropriations of the higher education budget which is pending approval from Department of Finance. She also shared that the Commission is working on a statewide policy summit in partnership with Sacramento State University and the AAPILC.</p> <p><b>c. Health Access Committee – Commissioner Lance Toma</b></p> <p>Commissioner Toma share that the Health Committee would like to have three listening sessions focused on Pacific Islander communities in the following regions:</p>



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	<p>San Diego, Long Beach and Alameda County. The committee would like to focus on strengthening language accessibility policies at the state level.</p> <p><b>d. Economic Equity Committee – Commissioner Jason Paguio</b></p> <p>No Updates</p> <p><b>Public Comment</b></p>
3:50PM – 4:20PM	<p><b>9. Executive Director Report – Khydeejia Alam</b></p> <p><b>a. Commission Update</b></p> <p>ED wants to focus on the for the next 6-9 months</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• hiring</li><li>• strategic planning for the Commission</li><li>• operational needs</li><li>• branding and partnerships.</li><li>• Strengthening and building the internal infrastructure and system we currently have in place</li><li>• Ensuring our ethics code is in place</li><li>• Hiring and onboarding of new employees</li></ul> <p><b>b. Commission Strategic Plan</b></p> <p>Director Alam and the Commissioners discussed the need for the Commission to develop a strategic plan. Director Alam to come up with next steps</p> <p><b>Discussion Public Comment-</b> None</p>
4:20PM – 4:30PM	<p><b>10. Comments from the Chair and Commissioners</b></p> <p>Commissioner Yee commended Chair Serena Kirk for her leadership.</p>
	<p><b>11. Adjournment at 4:44pm</b></p> <p>Meeting adjourned by Chair Serena Kirk</p>