

Draft Minutes of the January 25, 2019 Meeting of the
Disadvantaged Communities Advisory Group

Item 1. Roll call

Present:

- Adrian Martinez
- Andres Ramirez
- Angela Islas
- Jodi Pincus
- Jana Ganion (by phone)
- Stan Greschner
- Phoebe Seaton
- Roger Lin (joined by phone later in the meeting)

Item 2. Motion by Stan to approve the minutes of November 30, 2018 and Andres seconded. Approved by roll call; Phoebe abstained as she was absent from the November 30, 2018 meeting.

Item 3. Discussion and possible vote on elements of DACAG Annual Report

Updates from priority working groups

- Environmental and Social Justice (ESJ) Action Plan
 - o Discussion members of the DACAG would like to understand why CPUC accepted and or rejected proposed edits to ESJ Action Plan well as discussion on whether to ask CPUC to hold item (refrain from adopting at next CPUC meeting).

Motion by Andres to request a delay in the vote at the CPUC, Phoebe seconded Motion by Andres to rescind, seconded by Stan.

Motion by Tyrone – Move to assign Jodi Pincus the responsibility of writing a letter, submitting the letter to CPUC to request delay in vote on the ESJ Action Plan, seconded by Angela.

Passed by roll call vote.

- Energy Equity Indicators
 - o No update. CEC will be updating energy equity indicators this spring, which will be a good opportunity for DACAG to engage on indicators.
- AB 617 –
 - o No update
- Timeline for first and final drafts of annual report:
 - o February 12th – distribute drafts of annual report for posting.
 - o Final draft to be voted on at Feb 22nd meeting.

- DACAG will present the annual report at upcoming CEC and CPUC business meetings. Upcoming meetings are:
 - March 12th – CEC business meeting in Sacramento.
 - March 14th – CPUC meeting in Coachella
 - March 27th – CPUC’s committee meeting
 - March 28th – CPUC’s voting meeting in San Francisco

Item 4. Presentation: Report out from Tribal Energy Summit (November 2018) - Jana Ganion

- Energy access – large swaths of land have no grid power, and tribes are often excluded from energy discussions and eligibility criteria. Also, quality of energy service is inadequate.
- Different types of land tenure are also an obstacle to energy access.
- Specific topics at the summit– EPIC, Storage, Net Metering, Climate mitigation, affordable energy.
- Some recommendations from the Summit:
 - Comprehensive look at tribal participation in energy programs.
 - Review eligibility criteria.
 - Assess what data / tribal data should be included in considerations.
 - Formalizing collaboration – leader to leader (commissioners) and at staff / practitioner level.
 - Weatherization and energy efficiency – next steps, matching tribes and understanding of existing resource. That will be an issue of ongoing work.

Item 5. Presentation: Demand Response Pilot Programs in disadvantaged communities by PG&E.

(Note: Powerpoint included on <http://cpuc.ca.gov/dacag/> under 1/25/19 meeting and <https://www.energy.ca.gov/sb350/DCAG/documents/index.html>.)

PG&E will file their program with the CPUC in February, and hope that pilot will start in October 2019.

Trying to measure capacity / opportunity of disadvantaged communities to contribute to demand response.

EACH IOU should present to the DACAG.

And each IOU should come on at least on an annual basis.

Informal Group – Tyrone, Stan, Roger (chair), Angela.

Item 6. Presentation: EPIC program.

Significant discussion on equitable access to funds.

Set aside will be in disadvantaged communities and CBOs will need to be consulted.

Items 7 and 9. Liaison Updates and Announcements

- No EJAC update – EJAC meeting was cancelled.

- LIOB – DACAG member was unable to attend, will report out at future meeting.

Added Item 8. Motion by Roger that DACAG add to the agenda the matter in the supplemental notice regarding a workshop related to CPUC proceeding R.15-03-010 (examining affordable energy options in San Joaquin Valley communities) and may vote on the submission of comments related to a Bill Protection Workshop scheduled for February 1, 2019. There's a need to take an immediate action and that immediate need came to the attention of the advisory group after the agenda was posted.

Seconded by Jodi, passed by roll call vote.

Motion by Roger on submission of comment letter from the DACAG, seconded by Angela, passed by roll call vote.

Item 9. Public Comments.

None.

Item 10. Future meetings and topics

Next meeting: Feb. 22, 2019.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 4pm.