

**Los Angeles County
Consumer Affairs Advisory Commission
Meeting**

Minutes

Thursday, July 17, 2014

Present:	Vivian Chan Joseph Lee	Stanley Rogers David E. Ryu	Ho-Jeong Eun Sylvia Southerland	Ronnie Jayne K.W. Tulloss
Staff:	Brian Stiger	Kirk Shelton	Caroline Torosis	
Excused:	Joyce Ayvazi	Dennis Arguelles	Karine Bagdasarian	Helen Levin
Public:	None			

Call to Order and Confirmation of Quorum:

The Chair called the meeting to order at approximately 10:35 a.m. The quorum requirement was met during the entire meeting. The agenda was reviewed by the commissioners present.

In accordance with the Brown Act, the agenda for the Commission Meeting was posted in advance on the outside door of the Department of Consumer Affairs (Room B-96), outside the Hall of Administration, and online at <http://dca.lacounty.gov>.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes for the meeting of March 20, 2014 and May 15, 2014 were unanimously approved on motion by Commissioner Jayne and seconded by Commissioner Tulloss.

Department Update:

Director Brian Stiger informed the following with the commission:

- Terms ending for Supervisor Molina and Supervisor Yaroslavsky
- Retirement of William Fujioka
- Impact of the passing of Senate Bill 827
- Board of Supervisor authorizes DCA as statewide coordinator for Life Smarts
- A Small Business Concierge proposal was presented to the Board by CEO and is pending board approval
- Budget for the new fiscal year is strong
- DCA's debt collect workshops provide resources to consumers going through debt collection lawsuits
- DCA's space planning project

Special Presentations:

**Dawnnesha Smith Department of Consumer Affairs Community Outreach Manager
Overview of Life Smarts**

Ms. Smith informed the commission regarding Life Smarts. Life Smarts is a program where students learn about consumer issues that impact their everyday life – everything from managing their finances, making smart consumer choices, understanding technology, staying healthy, and helping the environment. DCA has already trained 40 volunteers to serve as a resource in financial literacy to those seeking assistance.

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Subcommittees Updates:

- Executive – Chair Chan updated the commission on the progress of the commission administrative manual
- Legislative – none present
- Public Information – none present

Public Comment:

None.

Future Agenda Items:

None.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, **November 20, 2014** at 10:30 am in the Hall of Administration, Room B-83 (basement).

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:32 a.m.