

SANTA CLARA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE

6:45 PM, County Building Cafeteria, 70 W. Hedding St., San Jose

Meeting will start at 7:00 pm sharp.**MINUTES FOR Thursday, April 4, 2013****1. CALL TO ORDER****a. Comments by Congressman Mike Honda****2. ROLL CALL**

Absent-Majorie Friedman. Augustina Armendariz.

Alternates for Tony Alexander, Chris Stampolis, Anna Song, Ash Kalra, Ken Yeager, Elisha Brady, Rich Gordon, Bob Wieckowski, Luis Alejo, Ellen Corbett, Jim Beall, Jerry Hill, Bill Monning, Zoe Lofgren, Anna Eshoo

3. IDENTIFICATION OF VISITORS

Judge Gordon

Teresa Cox

Rishi Kumar

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved; Seconded; Approved;

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Minutes are/will be posted at sccdp.org)

a. March 7, 2012 Minutes

Moved; Approved; Seconded

6. NEW BUSINESS

1. Review Interview Committee recommendation in BOS D2 for possible endorsement

Darcie Green: Committee interviewed Cindy Chavez, Teresa Alvarado, and Joseph.

Candidates speaking to body:

1. Teresa Alvarado made comments
2. Cindy Chavez made comments

Committee Recommended: Endorsement for Cindy Chavez.

Comments:

- Emy Thurber spoke in favor of the sole endorsement of Cindy Chavez.
- Bea Mendez spoke in opposition to the sole endorsement; asks for a dual endorsement.
- Swanee Edwards spoke in favor of a dual endorsement of the two candidates. Two quality candidates running.
- Craig Dunkerley asks why a dual endorsement would be less risky.
- Dan Hoffman: Difficult choice. Choice is Cindy because of the work she has done for the Party.
- Emilie Gatfield: We have great candidates, but must get behind one candidate. Against a dual endorsement.
- Jon Kessler spoke in favor of sole endorsement for Cindy Chavez.
- Kerri Hamilton spoke in favor of a dual endorsement for this particular race.
- Claudia Shope spoke in favor of a sole for Cindy Chavez.
- Omar Torres spoke in favor of a dual endorsement for Cindy Chavez and Teresa Alvarado.
- Andrae Macapinlac supports a sole endorsement for Cindy Chavez.
- Herb Engstrom supports dual endorsement.
- Bill James supports a sole endorsement for Cindy Chavez.

- Ross Gomez spoke in favor of a sole endorsement of Cindy Chavez.
- Judy Pipkin spoke in support of a sole endorsement for Chavez.
- Forrest Williams spoke in support of Cindy Chavez as a former colleague on the Council.

Motion to support the recommendation made; seconded:

YES: 39

NO: 12

Recommendation Passed. SCCDCC endorses Cindy Chavez.

2. Hear from candidates in Regional Director race for Region 7

a. John Comiskey

- Running for regional director to keep activism and “Centers for Change” alive and active.
- ID Democrats in the more conservative parts of the Region.
- Recruit successful candidates.

b. Kelly Martinez

- Active throughout the communities in the region.
- Walked precincts and phone banked for many candidates and President Obama in different states.
- Goals include continuing to elect strong Democrats and engage young immigrant and new voters.

3. Possible Resolutions for SCCDCC to review and adopt

a. Resolution on Moratorium on Fracking

Motion to endorse; seconded; discussion

Gail spoke to the merits of the resolution. Endorsed by 5 Central Committees.

This version has more teeth and is more specific.

Question has been called for....Resolution passes.

4. Proxy’s for CDP Convention. (If you aren’t going, or if you wish to go but need a proxy, this is the place to discuss.)

7. OLD BUSINESS

8. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND OTHERS

a. Executive Board: Andrae Macapinlac

b. Chair: Steve Preminger

- Jim Thurber discussed the issue of Club Insurance Coverage.

c. Vice Chair: Cindy Chavez

- No report, but thanks the body for the endorsement.

d. Treasurer: Forrest Williams

e. Secretary: Andrae Macapinlac

f. Issues: Andres Quintero

g. Community Services and Voter Registration: Judy Pipkin

h. Finance: Emy Thurber

-Need for fundraising. Fundraising committee to be formed.

i. Candidate Recruitment and Endorsement: Darcie Green

j. Communications: David Cohen

- Join Chair's Council through www.sccdp.org

k. Campaign Services: Ann Grabowski

- Strategic Plan

l. Political Outreach (Clubs): Diane Rolfe

- New Bay Area Indian-American Democratic Club, represented by Rishi Kumar. Motion made to charter club; seconded; approved.

m. Regional Director: Emy Thurber

n. Regional Director: Shawn Bagley

- Bylaws are important. Democratic Party has a credo; Bagley recites it.

o. Democratic National Committee: Chris Stampolis

p. DTV Report: Steve Chessin

q. Pro-Choice Coalition: Claudia Shope

- Visited Capitol yesterday. Anti-Choice forces hindering Planned Parenthood in San Francisco.

r. CDC Report: Emilie Gatfield

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Elizabeth Birk: UFCW hosting "No Family Held Back" townhall

- Tim Orozco: Berryessa North SJ Democratic Club

- Craig Dunkerley: Need Senate support for DISCLOSE Act on April 30

- Corey Walbach: April 20th to PYD Educational Forum for HCR. Thank You for endorsing Resolution for CSU and UC Accountability.

- Carol Garvey on DAWN endorsement luncheon

- Peter Allen on Century Club. Guest Speaker John Laird.

- Amy Pear on PDC guest speaker to talk about Central Asian geopolitics.

10. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

11. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 8:45pm