

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, August 7th, 2014****1. CALL TO ORDER****2. ROLL CALL**

Absent: Gilbert Wong (ex), Shaian Mohammadi, Chris Stampolis (ex), Jim Brady, Brian O'Neil, Rebecca Scheel (ex), Bruce Morasca (ex), Paul Camacho, Nora Campos, Jim Beall, Jerry Hill, Ellen Corbett, Anna Eshoo, Zoe Lofgren, Elizabeth Birk, Nasreem Rahim, Robert Braunstein, Karina Dominguez, Rishi Kumar, Raul Colunga, Chris Koltermann, Deepka Lalwani (ex), Augustina Aremandariz, Buu Thai, Thomas Wang.

Alternates for: Anna Song, Jim Thurber, Ken Yeager, Rich Watterman, Rich Gordon, Bob Wieckowski, Mark Stone, Luis Alejo, Bill Monning, Mike Honda, Sam Farr, David Wessel,

3. IDENTIFICATION OF VISITORS

New Board Member of Dem Club at the Villages

Tito Ortiz

Terry Christensen

John Lee

Jaqueline McGowan

Richard Nguyen

Anthony Phan

Hon. Jim Griffith

Hon. Magdalena Carazco spoke to the Committee.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Add item dealing with fundraising.

Moving vacancy of AD 25.

Move to approve; seconded; approved

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

a. Thursday, July 10th, 2014

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. SCCDP Local Party Platform

Andres Quintero gave briefing on adopted platform.

8 planks/issue areas.

Platform is not set in stone, as feedback is welcome; a work in progress

Discussion:

- Abramowitz doesn't believe the platform is "ready for prime time".
- Raj explains platform is meant to compliment the State and National Party platforms.
- Chiu suggests an explanation and introduction, or "preamble" to the platform.

Chessin moves to adopt platform; seconded; platform passes.

b. Resolution from DAWN on equal representation in elected office

- Darcie Green explains the resolution; improves status of women in Santa Clara County.
- More equal representation by 2020, 100 years after suffrage of women.
- DAWN wanted to bring this before the body for recommendations and feedback.
- Will be referred to the E-Board; brought back to the Committee in September

c. Open Space Authority election. Request for support

- Dr. Terry Christensen and Domingo Candelas gave report on the ballot measure for parcel tax to acquire open space. Requires 2/3 passage. Seeking early endorsement from the Party

Motion to approve; seconded; approved.

d. National Football League travesty. Discussion.

- Tom Cochran: Off field transactions of players. Suspended football players. Marijuana users could get a lifetime suspension, but spousal abusers got only two game suspensions.

Motion to refer this to E-Board; seconded; approved.

e. Fundraising

- Dan Hoffman gave report that he will be giving up to \$10,000 in matching contributions to the Party and candidates.

7. OLD BUSINESS

a. Filling vacancy in AD 25.

Nominations: Clarence Madrilejos.

Motion to close nomination and vote by acclamation; seconded; approved.

8. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND OTHERS

a. **Executive Board: Andrae Macapinlac**

b. **Chair: Steve Preminger**

c. **Vice Chair: Bill James**

d. **Treasurer: Forrest Williams**

e. **Secretary: Andrae Macapinlac**

f. **Issues: Andres Quintero**

g. **Community Services and Voter Registration: Judy Pipkin**

- Successful all-club picnic

- Endorsement begins August 18.

h. **Finance: Emy Thurber**

i. **Candidate Recruitment and Endorsement: Darcie Green**

- Darcie to conduct cities and special districts

- Ann Grabowski will conduct interviews with school boards and college boards.

j. **Communications: David Cohen**

- Asking people to join Communications Committee.

k. **Campaign Services: Ann Grabowski**

l. **Political Outreach (Clubs): Diane Rolfe**

Dean Dem Club: Good turnout for Amanda Renteria fundraiser. State Proposition forum at the Party HQ.

PDC: Reception for Alex Padilla in Atherton. PDC annual picnic.

Sunnyvale: Marie Bernard will be guest speaker on living wage at next meeting.

SCCDC: Jerry Hill spoke at last meeting in July. Richard Hobbs will be speaker at next event.

SVAPADC: Dinner on September 19th. Endorsement process.

South County Dem Club: 3rd Annual BBQ on August 17th. Speaker is Terry Christensen.

Corey Wolbach is running for City Council in Palo Alto.

Berryessa North SJ: August 21st is next meeting.

DAWN: Announced passing of Lee Streduent. Annual Fundraiser on August 23rd.

Milpitas Dem Club: Community Forum on Saturday August 9th

SBLC: Forum with Asm Lorena Gonzalez; paid sick leave.

Latino Dem Forum: Thurs Sept 18th in Chachos meet and greet.

m. **Regional Director:**

1) Royce Kelley, Region 5

2) Hene Kelley, Region 6

3) Kelly Martinez, Region 7

o. **Democratic National Committee: Chris Stampolis**

p. **DTV Report: Steve Chessin**

Democratic Television Producer Emeritus Steve Chessin reported that our guest in July was Sheila Bapat, author of "Part of the Family? Nannies, Housekeepers, Caregivers, and the Battle for Domestic Workers' Rights".

Our guest in August is TBD.

See the sccdp web site for the schedule, and to view our shows.

We could still use more good Democrats on the crew. No prior video experience is necessary.

q. Pro-Choice Coalition: Claudia Shope

r. CDC Report: Emilie Gatfield

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Claudia thanks everyone for their support during her treatment.

Century Club will host John Laird as guest speaker for August luncheon.

CA Disclose Act report given by Craig Dunkerley.

Medical Marijuana activists gave report on what San Jose and Santa Clara County are doing. This affects many senior citizens and cancer patients. Registered over 3,000 voters.

10. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

11. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned in memory of Lee Sturtevant at 8:40pm