

SANTA CLARA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE
7:00 PM, via Zoom Online Conference (details in box below)
MINUTES for Thursday, June 4, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER
7:08 PM

2. ROLL CALL

Absent: Tim Orozco, Chris Stampolis, Jason Baker, Rich Waterman, Sergio Jimenez
Alternates for: Ash Kalra, Mark Stone, Bob Wieckowski, Jim Beall, Bill Monning,

IDENTIFICATION OF VISITORS

Nancy Smith, Vice Mayor of Sunnyvale
Heidi Owens
Jessica Matthew
Wendi Mahaney Gurahoo

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Approved

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

- a. Thursday, May 7, 2020 - Approved

6. OLD BUSINESS

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Spotlight on disparate impact of COVID-19 on communities of color: SJ Councilmember Maya Esparza
Bill shared COVID-19 case rates by zip code and map. He then introduced Councilmember Esparza who shared recent information about her work on City Council and issues of equity recently raised at Council.
- b. Resolution to Believe Women
Bill presented the resolution and opened up the discussion to hear from both sides.
After discussion by members, motion made to postpone matter for further consideration. Motion passes 35 Ayes, 15 Noes, 2 Abstentions
- c. Resolution Opposing DeVos Final Rule on Campus and K-12 Sexual Assault and Harassment
Motion to approve by acclamation- unanimous consent approved
- d. Request to endorse ACA 5 (Repeal of Proposition 209)
Natalie Smith with Opportunity for All Coalition presented the resolution. Motion to support passes 42 Ayes, 1 No, 2 Abstentions
- e. Resolution in Support of Placing the Fair Elections Initiative on the November Ballot
Jean Cohen presented the resolution. Motion to approve by acclamation- unanimous consent approved
- f. First reading: proposed change re fast track endorsement of previously-endorsed incumbent Democrats
Michael Vargas presented the proposed changes for members to comment on.
- g. [Proposed emergency] Resolution Declaring Racism a Public Health Issue in California
Shay Franco Clausen spoke to the Resolution. Motion to support –Approved unanimously 51 ayes – 0 noes
- h. SCCDP Statement on Racial Justice
Bill shared the Statement from the SCCDP on Racial Justice. Kristin Rivers shared a statement of support of the Resolution.

9. REPORTS

- a. **Executive Board/Chair Bill James** –
Bill shared the financial report. There is a new action tab on the website which is worth checking out. Headquarters in working closely with DVC as way to increase engagement.
- b. **Vice Chair: Jean Cohen** –
Reminder: Invited to attend SCCDP 2020 Campaign Training Webinar on Saturday, June 13th. 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. RSVP for Zoom Link.
- c. **Treasurer: Angelica Ramos-Allen** – Will be sending out an email soon reminding members to pay or renew their dues.
- d. **Secretary: Helen Chapman** – no report
- e. **Executive Director: James Kim** – no report
- f. **Issues: Michael Vargas** – no report

g. Community Services and Voter Registration: Judy Pipkin

No report

h. Finance: James S. Kim

No report

i. Endorsements: Clarence Madriles

Endorsement season is coming up. Filing period ends mid-August. Interviews will be held starting the last week in August.

j. Communications: John Comiskey

Reminded everyone that content for website is always appreciated.

k. Gender Equity and the Status of Women: Shay Franco-Clausen

Working on event with theme of supporting women and women of color who want to run for office.

l. Campaign Services: Titus Lin

No report

m. Clubs: Alex Wara

Reminder: please send Club reports to Alex for inclusion into a consolidated report. Bill shared they are working on way to engage Clubs in the work of the Party.

n. Regional Director Reports: - no reports

1) Rocky Fernandez, Region 5

DNC ballots should be out in the mail this week. Rusty Hicks is holding monthly town halls.

2) Hene Kelley, Region 6

No report

3) Omar Torres, Region 7

Omar shared there will be an upcoming Reg 7 meeting. He will be reaching out to Alex Padilla as a guest speaker.

o. DNC: Otto Lee

p. DTV Report: Steve Chessin

Democratic Television Producer Emeritus Steve Chessin reported that we taped a show in May using Zoom with our own David Cohen, endorsed candidate for San Jose City Council District 4. The link to the show is <https://youtu.be/9DFbAGZsD1U>. Our next taping, either in June or July, will be with Otto Lee, endorsed candidate for Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors District 3. See the SCCDP web site for the schedule, and to view our shows. We could still use more good Democrats on the crew for when we resume in-person tapings. No prior video experience is necessary.

q. Pro-Choice Coalition: Claudia Shope

Shared that census work has transitioned to virtual basis, deadline extended to October.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 13, 2020, 10am – 12pm via Zoom – Campaign Training for candidates, professionals, and youth (rsvp@sccdp.org)

Check out the census website for employment opportunities www.2020census.gov/jobs

Antioch Baptist Church along with Roots Community Clinic is holding COVID-19 testing for anyone in Santa Clara County, every Wednesday 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Olivia Navarro asked that we recognize Dolores Huerta's 90th Birthday

10. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Next meeting May 20, 2020 6:00 – 7:30 pm via Zoom (contact chair@sccdp.org for link)

11. ADJOURNMENT 9:37pm

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87869028946?pwd=d0ptanVxbUV3aVVWYUxlcFgvaFBDUT09>

Join by Phone (669) 900 6833

Meeting ID: 878 6902 8946

Password: 924240