

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE**  
**7 PM-9PM, via Zoom Online Conference (details in box below)**

*(Our meeting is open to the public, but we reserve the right to remove guests who disrupt the meeting. Video and audio recording not permitted without prior approval)*

**AGENDA FOR Thursday, August 6, 2020**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. IDENTIFICATION OF VISITORS**

**4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Thursday, July 9, 2020

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

**7a. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- a. Resolution in Defense of TransWomen
- b. Resolution to Ban Chokeholds and Tear Gas in San Jose and Santa Clara County
- c. Join CDP in Endorsing Propositions 17 (Voting Rights for Persons on Parole) and 25 (End Money Bail)

**7b. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Fill Vacancy on SCCDCC (AD24)
- b. Adopt Special Rule for Youth Takeover
- c. Youth Takeover
  - i. Resolution Calling for the Preservation of Access to Student Mental Health Services*
  - ii. Resolution Calling for an Increase of Public Transportation in Santa Clara County*
  - iii. Resolution Calling for Implementation of Ethnic Studies Curriculum*
- d. Consent: Youth Takeover Actions

**8. REPORTS**

- a. Executive Board/Chair: Bill James
- b. Vice Chair: Jean Cohen
- c. Treasurer: Angelica Ramos
- d. Secretary: Helen Chapman
- e. Executive Director: James Kim
- f. Issues: Michael Vargas
- g. Community Services and Voter Registration: Judy Pipkin
- h. Finance: James Kim
- i. Endorsements: Clarence Madrilejos
- j. Communications: John Comiskey
- k. Gender Equity and the Status of Women: Shay Franco-Clausen
- l. Campaign Services: Titus Lin
- m. Clubs: Alex Wara
- n. Regional Director Report(s)
- o. DNC: Otto Lee
- p. DTV Report: Steve Chessin
- q. Pro-Choice Coalition: Claudia Shope

**9. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS**

**10. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

August 19, 2020, 6-7:30pm, via Zoom  
(contact [chair@sccdp.org](mailto:chair@sccdp.org) for link)

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8762593644?pwd=TW1nNUlGcmpES2ZCZEVVSHRzdFVPZz09>

Dial: +1 669 900 6833  
Meeting ID: 876 2593 6442  
Passcode: 405395

## **Resolution in Defense of TransWomen**

WHEREAS, the number of transWomen who have been brutally murdered in 2020 has risen to at least 15, including six transwomen who were murdered in the five weeks ending May 9, 2020 and two murdered the week of June 9, 2020 alone; this number reflects a disturbing increase from the 29 Trans people who were murdered in 2019, and the brutality and callousness of these murders, including three occasions where transwomen were brutally beaten by groups of cis-men while large groups of people stood and cheered, fails to draw national news coverage, and the police continue to ignore the victims: Alexa Luciano Ruiz, age 24; Iyanna Dior, age 21; and Muhlaysia Booker, age 23; and

WHEREAS, transWomen, suffer the highest rates of violence, rape, murder, unemployment and suicide, but the national media almost exclusively directs their attention to cis-men being murdered rather than violence against transWomen and public services continue to present barriers for transWomen; and

WHEREAS, we must honor and recognize those who are victims by knowing their names, including: Alexa Luciano Ruiz, age 24; Yampi Mendez Arocho, age 19; Monika Diamond, shot in an ambulance; Lexi, age 33; Johanna Metzger, age 25; Serena Angelique Velazquez Ramos, age 24; Layla Pelaez Sanchez, age 21; Penelope Diaz Ramirez, age 31 (killed in police custody); Nina Pop, age 28; Helle Jae O'Regan, age 20; Tony McDade, Dustin Parker, Dominique "Rem'mie" Fells, age 27; Riah Milton Thompson, age 25; Selena Reyes-Hernandez, age 24; and Marilyn Cazares, age 22;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Clara County Democratic Party calls on all Democrats to recognize the violence and unique challenges faced by transWomen, and to make a good faith effort to educate others and lend their voices, votes, and contributions to the elimination of transphobia in the Bay Area, California, and the United States; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Santa Clara County Democratic Party hereby calls for (i) the enactment of public policy directed toward implementing the end of discrimination and violence against transWomen, (ii) the closing of the services gap for transWomen in healthcare and other public services, and (iii) the prompt, good faith investigation of all transphobic incidents and hate crimes, and the appropriate consequences for police violence targeting transgender individuals (Scout Schultz/Tony Dade/Penelope Ramirez/Roxana Hernandez/Johanna Leon/Carmela Diaz) or the failure of the police to respond to acts of violence against the transgender community, (iv) the open inclusion of transWomen into society.

Respectfully submitted by Roxanne

## **Resolution to Ban Chokeholds and Tear Gas in San Jose and Santa Clara County**

WHEREAS the City of San Jose Police Department and the Santa Clara County Sheriff Departments have just executed a militaristic response to protests concerning police abuse, the response including: A curfew, para military riot gear, and rubber bullets and teargas; and

WHEREAS deployment of police in military gear, using shotguns to fire projectiles at women, children, and elders, and using chemicals banned in warfare against the residents of our city and county was inappropriate; and

WHEREAS the City of San Jose spends over 33% of its budget on a militarized police force, while social needs go unfunded;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Clara County Democratic Party requests that the City of San Jose ban the use of chokeholds and teargas by the San Jose Police Department against citizens, reallocate the City budget to more fully fund social services for residents, and reduce the militarization and cost of the San Jose Police Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Santa Clara County Democratic Party requests that the County of Santa Clara ban the use of chokeholds and teargas by the Santa Clara County Sheriff Department against citizens, reallocate the County budget to more fully fund social services for residents, and reduce the militarization and cost of the Santa Clara County Sheriff Department.

Submitted by Roxanne (SCCDCC Member, AD27)

## Proposed Special Rule to Facilitate Youth Takeover

Recognizing that the Youth Takeover of a portion of the Santa Clara County Democratic Central Committee (SCCDCC) meeting on August 6, 2020 serves to engage and encourage our youth leaders, and to develop their skills, by allowing them to conceive, research, draft, introduce, debate, and adopt resolutions, in the same manner as voting members of the SCCDCC, the SCCDCC adopts the following special rule of procedure for the Youth Takeover:

1. The Youth Takeover will be led by the Youth Representative to the SCCDCC.
2. Under the direction of the Youth Representative, with procedural guidance from the SCCDCC Chair as needed and/or requested, the Youth Delegates will present and discuss resolutions prepared by them in advance of the meeting in consultation with the SCCDCC Chair, including by determining by final vote whether to adopt each resolution as it is considered.
3. At the conclusion of the Youth Takeover portion of the meeting, the actions of the Youth Delegates will be presented as a consent calendar for ratification by the SCCDCC as official actions of the SCCDCC.
4. Any item pulled from consent – and not returned or maintained in the consent calendar after resolution of any minor issues the SCCDCC Chair may be able to resolve, will be referred to the SCCDCC Executive Board for further consideration and/or action.
5. Items not pulled from the Youth Takeover consent calendar will be adopted by consent and will become the actions of the SCCDCC to the same extent as other resolutions of the SCCDCC.