

SANTA CLARA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE
7:00 PM, via Zoom Online Conference (details in box below)
MINUTES for Thursday, June 3, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER

7:04 PM

Bill asked for a moment of silence to recognize the tragedy and the nine VTA employees who tragically lost their lives.

2. ROLL CALL

Absent: Karina Dominguez, Frank Ponciano

Alternates for: Ash Kalra, Evan Low, Robert Rivas, Mark Stone, Anna Eshoo, Zoe Lofgren, Jimmy Panetta

3. IDENTIFICATION OF VISITORS

Ana Zeiger
Tomara Hall
Tyler Morgan
Brian Parkman
Hiwad Hidar
Abdullah Memon
Nimah Haq
Jesilyn Faust
Caelan Reinoso
Karina Haddad
Basil Saleh
Rupini Kamat
Liz Liebman
Monica Payne
Syed Salman Qadri
Kelly Neal
Kelsey Banes, Yimby Action/South Bay Yimby
Cory Wolbach, SV@Home
Aiza Malik
Hadley Johnson
Florence Anderson
Kiana Simmons, H.E.R.O Tent
Rhonda Mokatrin
Dina Saba
Kiyomi Honda Yamamoto, Law Foundation of Silicon Valley
Judy Gilford
Bilquis Alawi
Patrick Stafford
Mira Karthik
Felipe Ramirez
Mina Raeisi
Sameena Usman
Sabuhi Siddique

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion to include [Proposed Emergency] Resolution in Support of Resolution in Support of Peace, Not Apartheid in Palestine with adoption of the agenda – Approved unanimously

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

a. Thursday, May 9, 2021 – Approved unanimously

6. OLD BUSINESS – None

7a. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

a. Proposed rules to consider resolutions

Bill presented a Draft First Reading of Resolutions Procedures for Virtual Meetings of the Santa Clara County Democratic Central Committee. To review see <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1y6UxZjrFMypF00ypUpioDRE6uz2b0CFQ/view>

b. Gathering input on “Community Standards” for SCCDCC meetings

Bill introduced Adia Hoag who presented a concept on Community Standards. Bill shared the following link for suggestions on standards. <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1c7tXAv3BMcO6STUmql1jU-OsvEFLUjU?usp=sharing>
Please use this form for comments: <https://forms.gle/WavKH6oCpcdYqr5P6>

c. Notice of SCCDCC vacancy (AD29) to be filled at our July 1, 2021 meeting

Bill formally announced the vacancy for AD29

7b. NEW BUSINESS

a. Pride: Ken Yeager, Ex Director, BAYMEC Community Foundation, re exhibit “Coming Out: 50 Years of Queer Resistance and Resilience in Silicon Valley,” scheduled to open June 24 at History San Jose (aka “History Park”)

Guest Ken Yeager shared his background with the BAYMEC Community Foundation and invited all to attend the opening on June 24th. For more information or to contact Ken: www.QueerSiliconValley.org A digital exhibition by BAYMEC Community Foundation Ken Yeager, Executive Director Email: Ken@BAYMECFoundation.org Phone: (408) 391-2321

- b. Juneteenth: Milan Balinton, AACSA, re 40th Annual Juneteenth in the Park
Bill introduced guest Milan Balinton who provided an update on AACSA and the Juneteenth event.
- c. Progressive Democrats for Social Justice, potential legal challenge re Gov't Code § 3205 (county employee solicitation of candidate donations)
Charlie Ware, Krista Henneman, and Jason Harrow from Progressive Democrats for Social Justice spoke to the legal challenge regarding County employee solicitation of candidate donations. If you like to donate to their cause, go to <https://sites.google.com/view/prodem4socialjustice/fight-for-1st-amendment>
- d. Resolution to support Opportunity Housing throughout San Jose
Bill introduced Cory Wolbach with SV@Home who presented information and a request to support the resolution to support Opportunity Housing citywide. Motion to support resolution approved 48-7-3
- e. *[proposed emergency]* Resolution in Support of HR 2590
Hiwad Haider spoke to the Emergency Resolution and asked the members to take up the threshold question for an Emergency Resolution. Motion to take up Emergency Resolution failed after not receiving required 2/3 vote Motion fails 30-21-0
- f. *[proposed emergency]* Resolution in Support of Peace Not Apartheid in Palestine
Basil Saleh spoke to the Emergency Resolution and asked member to take up the threshold question for an Emergency Resolution. Motion to take up Emergency Resolution failed after not receiving required 2/3 vote Motion fails 27-30-1

8. REPORTS

- a. **Executive Board/Chair Bill James** –
Bill shared the financial report. Save the Date for Annual Fundraiser September 17, 2021 7pm-9pm at the Hayes Mansion. He shared an update on recent activity by the SCCDP Action Center <https://action.sccdp.org>

Account	6/3/21
State All-Purpose (non-DVC)	\$88,115.53
State Restricted Use (non-DVC)	\$2,761.73
DVC State	\$6,041.78
UDC Federal (non-DVC)	\$33,713.64
DVC Federal	\$30,785.96
Monthly change (since 5/4/21)	
Non-DVC State	-\$1,093.17
Non-DVC Fed	\$19,268.83
DVC State	\$0.00
DVC Fed	-\$1,656.33

- b. **Vice Chair: Jean Cohen** – No report
- c. **Treasurer: Angelica Ramos-Allen** –No report.
- d. **Secretary: Helen Chapman** – No report.

- e. **Executive Director: James Kim** –
We have volunteer opportunities posted on action.sccdp.org. It includes volunteer opportunities to phone banks to Protect Voting Rights, outreach to the Central Valley region and staffing the HQs. Please check regularly for updated volunteer opportunities and/or sign up for regularly published Action Update. Headquarters volunteer staff (special thanks to Judy Gilford, Dorene Kastelman, Alan Kirby, Linda Cortez, Tom Urquhart, Laura Patron, Dan Sayen, Elsa Mata) has been cleaning up/renovating the office for planned reopening in early July following the County Guidelines. New floor and paint are the major work being worked on in June. HQ staff priority after reopening will be voter registration targeting new citizens & young voters (college students). We look forward to seeing you at the HQ soon.

- f. **Issues: Michael Vargas** – no report
- g. **Community Services and Voter Registration: Huy Tran** –No report
- h. **Finance: James S. Kim** – No report
- i. **Endorsements: Clarence Madrilejos** – No report
- j. **Communications: John Comiskey**
Please, don't try to vote if you are not a voting member. It won't count, and it will slow me down. Please, if you want to make changes to your representatives and/or alternates, do not wait until 6 pm on Thursday. Send changes to secretary@sccdp.org and communications@sccdp.org. Please, if you are an alternate, make sure you get credentials, either from me, or from your primary.
- k. **Gender Equity and the Status of Women: Adia Hoag** – No report
- l. **Diversity & Inclusion: Rebeca Armendariz** – No report
- m. **Campaign Services: Titus Lin** – no report
- n. **Clubs: Alex Wara** –See reports below:

Democratic 21stCentury Club – Peter Allen

Please register for the next Century Club Virtual Lunch on June 11 w/ Asm. Marc Berman, a champion for voting rights: https://www.demcenturyclub.org/virtual_lunch_june2021

SVDC – Michelle Dauber

Next meeting will be on Wildfires and Climate Change, June 21, 2021

www.siliconvalleydemclub.org/

SVSD – Ali Sapirman

Looking forward to celebrating PRIDE next month! Next meeting will be June 7, 2021

Dean Democratic Club – Gerry Hunt

Come join us at Ponderosa Park for a Picnic and Potluck – June 19, 2021 at 11:00 am

AFRO-UPRIS

Encourages Palestinian brothers and sisters to join their club.

Santa Clara High School Democrats – Rohin Ghosh

Wishes all the seniors who just graduated High School all the success in future endeavors

South Bay Democratic Coalition – Carol Miller

Asian Law Alliance Attorney Dorothy Hwang will be speaking on history of Asian hate in America at their recent meeting.

Avalanche Club – Rick Umstattd

Join our Club for a picnic on June 26, 2021 1:00 – 3:00pm – 2003 Hicks Ave San Jose

o. Regional Director Reports

1) **Rocky Fernandez, Region 5**

2) **Hene Kelley, Region 6**

Standing Committee applications are due by June 4, 2021

3) **Omar Torres, Region 7**

p. **DNC: Otto Lee** – Working on Mid Term election efforts and the importance of keeping the House seats

q. **DTV Report: Steve Chessin** – No report

r. **Pro-Choice Coalition: - Claudia Shope**

Shared “Take PRIDE in Emotional and Physical Wellness Event” on June 17th 5:00 -6:30 pm to

Register: bit.ly/2TpEY3i

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS

Michelle Dauber shared an update on the Spousal Rape Bill

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rdlN36mvpIm5y2n8mVeWbtI5b8iK8PcH/view?usp=sharing>

Jean Cohen shared upcoming event honoring former State Senator Jim Beall on Sat. June 12th 11:00 to 12:30 pm

10. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Next meeting June 16, 2021 6:00 – 7:30 pm via Zoom (contact chair@sccd.org for link)

11. ADJOURNMENT – @ 9:43pm in memory of the VTA Rail Yard victims

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81808870049?pwd=RmRSSXpPWStUSHdjMnVmNkpwTVpMUT09>

Phone: (669) 900-6833

Meeting ID: 818 0887 0049

Passcode: 540218