

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

1. CALL TO ORDER
7:03 PM

2. ROLL CALL

Absent: Mariam Ghazvini, Michael Vargas, Peter Ortiz, Maya Esparza, Andres Quintero, Jenny Higgins, Claudia Rossi
Alternates for: Ash Kalra, Mark Stone, Bob Wieckowski, Jimmy Panetta

3. IDENTIFICATION OF VISITORS

Richard Lee
 Nora Rousso
 Malisha Kumar
 Don Draper
 Forest Peterson
 Andrew Vargas Delman

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Approved unanimously

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

a. Thursday, September 2, 2021 – Approved 32 - 0

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. Election to fill SCCDCC vacancy (AD 30)

Bill introduced two candidates interested in running to fill the AD 30 vacancy, Malisha Kumar and Yvonne Martinez Beltran.
 Results of the election were as follows:
 Yvonne Martinez Beltran (38 votes)
 Malisha Kumar (14 votes)

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Update from Santa Clara County Supervisor Susan Ellenberg

Bill introduced Supervisor Ellenberg who shared recent information about her work on County Board of Supervisors with the members.

b. Update from San Jose City Councilmember David Cohen

Bill introduced SJ City Councilmember David Cohen. CM Cohen introduced himself and shared some of his recent work and priorities on the San Jose City Council.

c. Club Charter Request: Jewish Democratic Club of Silicon Valley

Alex Wara introduced Dorene Kastelman, Mark Balch, and Steve Ellenberg to share information about the request to charter their club. Dorene Kastelman presented information and background on the Club. Motion to support the request to charter – approved 56 – 3 – 1.

d. Recall Election Recap –

The following report was shared by Ex Director James Kim.

A big thank you to everyone for soundly defeating the Republican Recall attempt. We had over 500 volunteers turn out the Democratic vote by dropping door hangers, texting, phone banking, tabling, and canvassing in our county.
 We are staffing the Headquarters for 25 hours per week, Monday through Friday 10:30-3:30 pm. Headquarters space can be reserved by Chartered Clubs, following the Covid guidelines set by the County Public Health Department. In the near future, we will be sharing HQ with our allies. Please contact Executive Director at ed@sccdp.org if you are interested in booking Headquarters for your club functions.
 Asks if everyone can save their clean, gently used coats & jackets for our Winter Coat Drive in few weeks. Details will be announced.

e. SCCDP Annual Dinner report

Bill provided an update on the Annual Dinner.
 Very successful event with \$104,900 pledged, \$93,400 collected, \$41,620 in expenses showing net proceeds at \$51,780

f. Announcement of Vacancy for AD 27

Bill shared that Frank Ponciano AD 27 delegate has resigned his seat thus creating a vacancy.
 This announcement formally opens the seat anyone residing in AD 27 wanting to run.

8. REPORTS

a. Executive Board/Chair Bill James –

Bill shared the financial report.

b. Vice Chair: Jean Cohen – no report

c. Treasurer: Angelica Ramos-Allen – Dues are due now. Please use this link to pay your dues. https://bit.ly/sccdcc_dues

Account	9/30/21
State All-Purpose (non-DVC)	\$76,469.03
State Restricted Use (non-DVC)	\$2,761.73
DVC State	\$6,090.28
UDC Federal (non-DVC)	\$44,457.49
DVC Federal	\$29,961.88
Monthly change (since 8/31/21)	
Non-DVC State	\$12,848.22
Non-DVC Fed	\$19,387.66
DVC State	\$0.00
DVC Fed	\$1,907.32

- d. **Secretary: Helen Chapman** – No report
- e. **Executive Director: James Kim** – see earlier report
- f. **Issues: Michael Vargas** – No report
- g. **Community Services and Voter Registration: Huy Tran** –
The next public hearing for the Charter Review Commission is 11/6
- h. **Finance: James S. Kim** – No report
- i. **Endorsements: Clarence Madrilejos** – Clubs have been contacted to appoint their representative to the endorsement committee. Forms have been sent out.
- j. **Communications: John Comiskey** – Needs content for the website – please submit to John any information you’d like posted.
- k. **Gender Equity and the Status of Women: Adia Hoag** – No report
- l. **Diversity & Inclusion: Rebeca Armendariz** - No report
- m. **Campaign Services: Titus Lin** – Bill updated the membership thanking the work of our strong volunteers.
- n. **Clubs: Alex Wara** –See reports below:

Silicon Valley Working Blue Club – Brian O’Neill

Club will be holding its monthly meeting on October 13th at 5pm. The speaker will be Sajid Khan, candidate for Santa Clara County DA. Email me at a1appraise@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

Democratic 21st Century Club – Peter Allen

Club will open our 2022 membership drive soon, but you can get a head start here: <https://www.demcenturyclub.org/join>

Assyrian Democrats of the Bay Area – Tony Khoshaba

Here are two of our upcoming activities in October. A zoom seminar on climate action on October 12th., and a picnic on October 23rd. This last weekend we also participated in the Women's March in San Jose and we endorsed the March with a statement with some other clubs.

Movimento Coalition of the South Bay – Olivia Navarro

Club is working on immigration reform

South Bay Democratic Coalition

On October 25th, La Doris Cordell will be speaking on recent book.

Progressive Democrats for Social Justice

Congratulations to the organizers of the recent Women’s March. Will be speaking with candidate Christine Nagaye running for Sheriff Laurie Smith’s seat.

Silicon Valley Democratic Club – Jenny Hutchinson

The Governor signed AB 1171. Next meeting is October 18, 2021

o. **Regional Director Reports**

1) **Rocky Fernandez, Region 5**

2) **Hene Kelley, Region 6**

Region 5, 6 and 7 will be holding a meeting on October 18, 2021 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. The CADEM Ex Board is holding a meeting Saturday.

3) **Omar Torres, Region 7**

p. **DNC: Otto Lee** – DNC meeting is being held remotely this week. 3.5 trillion-dollar federal budget package is being negotiated to a 3.0 trillion-dollar package. Vote will come down to the wire.

q. **DTV Report: Steve Chessin** – Democratic Television Producer Emeritus Steve Chessin reported that we have had no taping in September. Could still use more good Democrats on the crew for when we resume in-person tapings. No prior video experience is necessary.

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

Planned Parenthood Mar Monte Oct 13th event re Texas SB 8

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS

Marc Berman, Robert Rivas, and Alex Lee all have events this month, see their flyers here:

Elected Officials' Event Announcements https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1dPUEUQFulH9qf4fs4_YIDYzSMEHEHlns?usp=sharing

Please attend the next Los Gatos Town Council meeting on the 19th to show your support for Marico:

<https://www.losgatosca.gov/16/Town-Council>

10. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Next meeting October 20, 2021 6:00 – 7:30 pm via Zoom (contact chair@sccdpc.org for link)

11. ADJOURNMENT – @ 9:11 pm

Non-Member Register to Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_CHyCpLTYRjWt_zEq83gqGQ