

SANTA CLARA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE

7 PM-9 PM, Regular Meeting via Zoom Online Conference (registration link 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, November 3, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. IDENTIFICATION OF VISITORS

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Thursday, October 6, 2022

6. OLD BUSINESS

7a. CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. Approve proposed change to Bylaws and Clubs Enablement Act to provide chartering fee to cover dues

7b. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Election to fill SCCDCC Vacancy (AD 23)
- b. Resolution in Support of Minimum Standards for School Superintendents
- c. Resolution Condemning Govern for California and its History of Anti-Labor Positions
- d. Resolution to Provide Fiscal Gap Funding for Public Transit
- e. Campaign Update
- f. Campaign Action: social media and email actions via Outreach Circle

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: Vacant

g. Community Services and Voter Registration: Huy Tran

h. Finance: James Kim

i. Endorsements: Clarence Madrilejos

j. Communications: John Comiskey

k. Gender Equity and the Status of Women: Adia Hoag

l. Diversity & Inclusion: Rebeca Armendariz

m. Campaign Services: Titus Lin

n. Youth Representative: Parisa Braun

o. Clubs: Alex Wara

p Regional Director Report(s)

q DNC: Otto Lee

r. Pro-Choice Coalition: Claudia Shope

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDERS

- a. GOTV Rally and Walk – South Bay Labor Council, 2302 Zanker Rd, SJ Saturday, November 5 @9am
- b. Club Rechartering due December 1
- c. Biennial Organizing Meeting Thursday, January 12, 2023, 7pm

10. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

November 16, 2022, 6-7pm

11. ADJOURNMENT

Non-Member Register to Join Zoom Meeting
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_K1QFBMTPRjKnGaeWL253IA

**Proposed Changes to Provide Fee for Club Chartering
Consideration for Approval: November 3, 2022**

Amend the "Democratic Clubs Enablement Act", Article II, Section 1, to read:

Section 1. For accreditation, all Democratic Clubs shall:

(a) maintain a membership of twenty (20) registered Democrats residing in Santa Clara County;
and

(b) submit the following documents to the Director of Clubs:

(i) A membership list containing at least twenty (20) registered Democrats residing in Santa Clara County who designate this as their primary club, which must include the assembly district of each member in accordance with the CDP Bylaws;

(ii) A set of current bylaws;

(iii) A list of current officers;

(iv) A financial statement indicating membership support for the club;

(v) Evidence that the club has an active bank account; ~~and~~

(vi) Documentation of ongoing programs; and

(vii) A \$100.00 accreditation fee, prorated to \$50.00 if accreditation is done more than one year into the current two-year club accreditation term, which satisfies Central Committee membership dues for a club representative and a primary alternate to the Santa Clara County Democratic Central Committee and is transferable to a different club member if the club representative or alternate is changed during the two-year club accreditation term.

Amend the SCCDCC Bylaws, Article XII (Dues) as follows:

A. Dues Schedule.

1. Regular dues for all classifications of membership shall be twenty-five dollars per year, which may be paid annually or as a single fifty-dollar payment at the beginning of each two-year organizational term.

2. Dues may be reduced or waived in case of financial hardship in accordance with Section D of this Article.

3. Dues for club representatives and their primary alternates will be paid in connection with club accreditation as provided in the Democratic Clubs Enablement Act, and will be transferrable to replacement representatives and/or primary alternates for the remainder of the two-year organizational term.

Resolution in Support of Minimum Standards for School Superintendents and How School Districts Recruit Superintendents

WHEREAS, there continues to be disproportionality in many areas of education including financial literacy, as noted by PISA: “Hispanic and Black students had lower average scores than the U.S. average score in financial literacy,” as noted in a resolution to promote financial literacy adopted by the Youth Delegates and affirmed by the Santa Clara County Democratic Central Committee on July 7, 2022, and there is also disproportionality with Hispanic and Black students in literacy and mathematics; and

WHEREAS, our all students need a competent qualified superintendent who meets minimum standards to be able to narrow and close disproportionality and create equity in education; and

WHEREAS, local county offices of education are the most qualified entity to conduct superintendent searches, as local county offices of education have the expertise and local knowledge of school districts and have the primary mission of “what is best for students” at the heart of what they do;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Clara County Democratic Party agrees the time is now to have minimum standards for school superintendents and that the standards should include having three (3) years educational experiences as a classroom teacher and three (3) years of administrative experiences as a principal and possessing both valid and current teaching and administrative credentials; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Santa Clara County Democratic Party recognizes that the local county offices of education are best suited for recommending highly qualified superintendents to local school boards, as local county offices of education know the community best, and share the values and beliefs of the local community and will seek highly qualified superintendents who reflect the values of diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging while working positively with classified and certificated (teachers) staff, and the Santa Clara County Democratic Party further believes that superintendent standards with superintendent selection support from the local county offices of education will serve to close ethnic educational disproportionality while raising academic achievement for all students.

Submitted by Wm. Derek Grasty

Resolution Condemning Govern for California and its History of Anti-Labor Positions

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara County Democratic Party has a vested interest in who funds our local state assembly and state senate candidates within Santa Clara County; and

WHEREAS, Govern for California has stated in the press anti-union positions on various bills pending in Sacramento, and Govern For California's founders have a goal of weakening organized labor and recent news accounts have shown that Govern For California has orchestrated a mechanism to bypass California campaign finance rules and have essentially laundered contributions in ways that are dispiriting to the rule of law; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara County Democratic Party is one of the state's most active and dedicated county parties in California, and has a history of standing with our allies in Labor;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Santa Clara County Democratic Party will not accept any donations and encourage state candidates to also not accept donations from Govern for California and make it clear our party is a party that supports labor 100% and we will also officially ask the California Democratic Party to also pass a similar resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any organization that works to undermine working people in Santa Clara County and California will always encounter a strong response from progressive Democrats.

Submitted by Jeffrey Levin, Tony Alexander, and Kevin Liao

Resolution to Provide Fiscal Gap Funding for Public Transit

WHEREAS, transportation is the largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in California, and despite having adopted aggressive goals to reduce vehicle miles traveled as an essential component of reducing transportation emissions, the state has been unsuccessful in encouraging mode shift to transit due to already insufficient service levels, and

WHEREAS, public transportation ridership is still below pre-pandemic levels, and is not expected to fully recover until the end of the decade or later, and nearly all agencies face a budget shortfall (the fiscal cliff) in 2024 or not long thereafter when the one-time federal relief funds received in 2020 run out, and

WHEREAS, without additional funding, transit agencies will need to make very large service cuts, and enter a downward spiral of decreasing ridership, budget shortfalls, and layoffs that could become impossible to recover from,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Clara County Democratic Party supports additional state and federal funding needed to maintain current transit service and restore service until ridership fully recovers, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that state and local leaders in each metropolitan area work together to identify regional funding options for funding transit service.

Author: Alfred Twu, AD15