

SANTA CLARA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE
Special Meeting Minutes March 19, 2026
5 PM – 6 PM, Special Meeting, via Zoom only

1. CALL TO ORDER 5:03 PM

2. ROLL CALL

Absent: Rishi Kumar, Emily Ann Ramos, Joe Simitian, Marsha Grilli, Jaria Jaug, Jamal Khan, Anthony Phan, Diego Martinez, Karen Martinez, Andres Quintero, Brisa Rojas, Ava Chiao, Chris Stampolis, James Kastelman, James K. Kim, Buu Thai, Michelle Pelayo-Osorio, Otto Lee, Sally Lieber

Alternates for: Patrick Aherns, Robert Rivas, Josh Becker, Dave Cortese, Aisha Wahab

3. WELCOMING OF VISITORS

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Approved unanimously.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Deferred

6. OLD BUSINESS

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Endorsements for Santa Clara County Supervisor, Districts 1 and 4, and San José City Council Districts 1 and 3

Chair Bill James presented a consent calendar recommending endorsement of Kamei, Tordillos, Arenas, and Ellenberg, under our Fast Track rule. Elizabeth Agramont-Justiniano, representing the Afro UPRIS club, pulled all four races from consent. After discussion the following motions were made:

Motion for sole endorsement for Supervisor Sylvia Arenas - passed 45 - 0 - 3

Motion for sole endorsement for Supervisor Susan Ellenberg - passed 44 - 0 - 6

Motion for sole endorsement for Councilmember Rosemary Kamei - passed 44 - 0 - 4

Motion for sole endorsement for Councilmember Anthony Tordillos - passed 42 - 0 - 7

8. REPORTS

Deferred

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS/REMINDER

Kings & Tulare Democrats 2026 Fundraiser

Saturday, March 7, 6pm, Visalia Wyndham, donate at <https://bit.ly/tkdinner2026>

South Bay Labor Council Labor Brunch, Saturday, March 21, 10am-12pm,

San Jose Marriott, 301 S Market St <https://bit.ly/26sblclaborbrunch>

Members were asked to support Peter Ortiz's, Hanh-Giao Nguyen's, Rafael Garcia's, and Gordon Chester's campaigns.

Check out their individual websites to help canvass.

Next Central Committee meeting in April will be considering endorsing Candidate Jeff Rosen for District Attorney. There will be a special meeting for the endorsement committee to hear from the candidates.

10. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

11. ADJOURNMENT 5:48 pm