

SANTA CLARA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE

7:00 PM, County Building, 70 W Hedding St, San Jose

Meeting will start at 7:00 pm sharp

MINUTES for Thursday, April 4, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER

7:05 pm

2. ROLL CALL

Absent: Gilbert Wong, Tim Orozco, Chris Stampolis, Aimee Escobar, Maya Esparza, Albert Hernandez, Juan Quinones, Jason Baker

Alternates for: Mark Stone, Jim Beall, Bob Wiecekowski, Bill Monning, Anna Eshoo, Zoe Lofgren, Jimmy Panetta

3. IDENTIFICATION OF VISITORS

Troy Parker
Rahul Vasanth
Lenore Albert
Hellen Sims
Bill Roth
Carol Stephenson
Stacie Shih

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Approved

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

a. Thursday, February 7, 2019 – approved

b. Thursday, March 7, 2019 - approved

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. *Going fast!* Annual Democratic Victory Dinner, Friday, May 17, 2019 5:30pm – 9:00pm, Hayes Mansion

Chair James shared that tickets are still available for sale for the Annual Democratic Party dinner. Ad placement is still available - see Kristen for more information.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Assemblymember Ash Kalra – Guest Speaker

Assemblymember Kalra shared an update on the number of bills introduced and signed in 2018-19. He emphasized his work on AB 948 (Coyote Valley). There will be a press conference announcing the bill on April 5, 2019.

b. Youth Representative Sriya Prathuri

Chair James introduced Sriya. Sriya introduced herself and shared her enthusiasm for being elected as a youth representative to Central Committee.

c. CDP Chair Candidate, Lenore Albert

Candidate Lenore Albert shared her background, platform, and reason for running for CDP Chair.

d. San Jose Spotlight (Josh Barousse & Ramona Giwargis)

Ramona and Josh introduced themselves and the work they are doing launching San Jose Spotlight. Pledge cards were shared.

e. Fill vacancy on SCCDCC (AD30)

Candidates for AD30 Art Cohen and Joanne Fierro standing in for Rebecca Armendariz both shared why they are running for the open AD 30 seat.

Rebecca Armendariz received the majority of votes for SCCDCC (AD30)

f. CA Yimby – Edward Webster

Edward Webster, Regional Director of CA YIMBY introduced himself and shared information on SB50 “upzoning near transit” Bill.

g. Resolution: Supporting Agriculture in South County by Maintaining Current Water Rates

Michael Vargas asked for motion to hear resolution. Motion to present resolution – unanimous.

Resolution presented by Santa Clara Valley Water District Board member, John Varela – competing Resolution passed out (without Noticing) by Water District Board members Barbara Keegan, Gary Kremen and former member Patrick Ferraro. Spirited discussion Presented on both sides (pro and con)

Motion to approved Resolution as presented by South County passed 18 to 16.

h. Resolution: Supporting AB 331 (Ethnic Studies Curriculum)

Michael Vargas asked for motion to hear resolution. Motion to present resolution – unanimous.

SVAPA Dem Club members presented resolution for support by members.

Motion to support – approved unanimously.

8. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND OTHERS

- a. Executive Board/Chair Bill James
Shared at future meeting will provide update on UDC financials.
- b. Vice Chair: Jean Cohen
Will be sending survey out for those who want to participate in 2020 election candidate training.
- c. Treasurer: Angelica Ramos-Allen
Dues are due now. We collect \$25.00 every 2 years from members. Please check to see if you are up to date.
- d. Secretary: Helen Chapman
Asked folks to sign up if interested in being a proxy for a Central Committee member who won't be able to attend Convention.
- e. Issues: Michael Vargas – no report
- f. Community Services and Voter Registration: Judy Pipkin/John Comiskey
Cerisa will be tracking RSVP's for the Annual Dinner, not too late to buy your tickets.
- g. Finance: Prameela Bartholomeusz
Would like for members to consider a change in the bylaws for increase in dues payment.
- h. Endorsements: Clarence Madrilejos
Asked Club leaders to send him names of nominees for endorsement interview process.
- i. Communications: John Comiskey
Working on updating the website.
- j. Gender Equity and the Status of Women: Shay Franco-Clausen
No report
- k. Campaign Services: Titus Lin
There were three phone banks ran this month. Moving along with the precinct captain training. April 17th is the annual Activist Summit With Representative Anna Eshoo.
- l. Clubs: Alex Wara –
Thanked the Clubs for bringing dinner.
She asked the following Clubs to share information:

Dean Club- John Comiskey

Dean Club working meeting
call for SCCDP Dinner bookings
call for nominating committee
WHEN: March 25, 2019 @ 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

DFA Link meeting
Barbara Keegan and Gary Kremen of the Santa Clara Valley Water District
Delta Tunnel(s) and the Future of Water in California
WHEN: April 8, 2019 @ 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm
WHERE: Calabazas Library
1230 S Blaney Ave, San Jose, CA 95129

Dean Club working meeting
form nominating committee
call for nominees (to be addressed to the committee, outside of the meeting)
WHEN: April 22, 2019 @ 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
WHERE: Marie Callender's
751 E El Camino Real Sunnyvale, CA 94087

DFA Link meeting
SD 15 candidate Ann Ravel, and more
WHEN: May 13, 2019 @ 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm
WHERE: Calabazas Library
1230 S Blaney Ave, San Jose, CA 95129

Dean Club working meeting
All Clubs picnic sponsorship
WHEN: May 27, 2019 @ 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
WHERE: Marie Callender's
751 E El Camino Real Sunnyvale, CA 94087

DFA Link meeting
Speakers from among candidates for SD 13, SD 15, SCC BoS 3, and more

WHEN: June 10, 2019 @ 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm
WHERE: Calabazas Library 1230 S Blaney Ave, San Jose, CA 95129

Dean Club Annual Picnic and Election of Officers
featuring speechifying by local candidates and office holders
WHEN: June 22, 2019 @ 11:00 am – 3:00 pm
WHERE: Ponderosa Park 811 Henderson Ave, Sunnyvale, CA 94086

D-10 Democrats

Save the date, August 4, 2019 for 5th Annual BBQ
In September/October they will hold a candidate forum for the D-10 Council race

Working Blue Democrats – Wes Ichinga

All Dem Annual All-Club picnic this year will be Prusch Farms on July 20, 2019
Save the date for Day of Dead Party on Nov. 1, 2019

Bayshore Progressive Democrats – Cari Templeton

Holding a Transportation 101 Policy training, Saturday, April 20, 2019 at the PCC in Palo Alto from 1:30 to 3:30

Milpitas Democratic Club – Deepka Lalwani

Their club is holding on May 4, 2019 a candidate forum for Board of Supervisors, District 3 at the Milpitas Police Community Room, 1275 N Milpitas Blvd. from 2:00 to 4:00pm

SVDC – Linda Baxter and Fred Rehhauser

Next meeting is April 15, 2019 at the Campbell Community Center. Subject will be CA Dem party Chair Candidate Forum
Kimberly, Daraka, Rusty, Lenore will all be attending. Event is from 6:45 to 9:00 pm. – Sunnyvale Democratic Club is a Co-Host.

m. **Regional Director Reports:**

- 1) Rocky Fernandez, Region 5
Region 5 meeting on Sunday, April 28, 2019 at 2:00 pm to 4pm at the Oakland Firefighters Local 55, Oakland CA
Pre-endorsement process is coming up on May 1st.
 - 2) Hene Kelley, Region 6
Region 6 meeting on Monday, April 29th at 7pm
 - 3) Omar Torres, Region 7
Invited members to attend the Region 7 meeting Emma Prusch Park in the Multicultural Room, April 6th 2019. Betty Yee will be the guest speaker. Asked Clubs to share rosters for Pre-endorsement process. May 1st at 5pm is the deadline for resolutions. Region 7 will be voting on Resolutions at the meeting on the 6th.
- n. Democratic National Committee: Otto Lee – No report
- o. DTV Report: Steve Chessin
- p. Pro-Choice Coalition: Claudia Shope – No report

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

David Cohen announced he is running for San Jose City Council, District 4
Jenny Higgins Bradanini announced she is running for San Jose City Council, District 10
Sally Lieber announced she is running for State Senate
Bill Roth with Sacred Heart Rapid Response Network shared a call for action to folks to get involved and attend a training.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

10. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Next meeting Wed, April 23, 2019 6 pm to 7:30 pm– Moorpark Office

11. ADJOURNMENT