

**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, August 2, 2018**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

7:05 pm

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Absent:** Jeff Cardenas, Albert Hernandez, Andres Quintero, Juan Quinones, Jason Baker, Sergio Jimenez, Ross Gomez, and Danielle Davenport  
**Alternates for:** Kansen Chu, Ash Kalra, Ana Caballero, Jimmy Panetta, Bob Wieckowski, Anna Eshoo, and Zoe Lofgren

**3. IDENTIFICATION OF VISITORS**

Peter Ortiz, Candidate for County Board of Education  
Ray Mueller – Candidate for Alum Rock School Board  
Bruce Nguyen – Candidate for Alum Rock School Board  
Kerry Rosado – Candidate for Franklin McKinley School District  
Tara Sreekrishnan – Candidate for Cupertino City Council  
Linda Baxter – Avalanche Democratic Club  
Michael Melillo – Candidate for San Jose Unified School District  
Gretchen and Bruce Preville  
David Bini  
Dale Sipperly  
Mason Fong – Candidate for Sunnyvale City Council

**4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Approved

- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** (Minutes are/will be posted at [secdp.org](http://secdp.org))  
a. Thursday, June 7, 2018 – Approved with corrections noted

**6. OLD BUSINESS - None**

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Guest Speaker, Ro Khanna  
Representative Khanna shared updates on his work in Congress, highlighting issues on foreign policy around Yemen, health care, and medicare for all.
- b. Fill SCCDCC vacancy (AD25)  
There was a motion to elect AD25 via ranked choice voting – Motion fails on vote 20/23  
Candidates for AD25 presented before committee  
Sita Stukes  
David Donaldson  
Rob Means  
Michael Vargas  
\*Michael Vargas was elected to Central Committee with highest number of votes received.
- c. Resolution in Support of Abolishing U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement – Johannes Muenzel presented on behalf of youth takeover work from July  
Motion to support resolution passes 35/11
- d. Resolution to Support Silicon Valley Rising's Community Benefits Agreement Petition – Jean Cohen, presented on behalf of youth takeover work from July  
Motion – Approved unanimously
- d. Resolution Calling on Morgan Hill City Council Member Larry Carr to Resign – Kyle McElroy presented  
Motion to support passes 24/12
- f. {proposed emergency} Resolution Opposing AB 84 – Hene Kelly presented Resolution  
Motion – Approved unanimously
- g. {proposed emergency} Resolution in Support of Cordoba Center San Martin  
Motion – Approved unanimously

**8. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND OTHERS** *(Due to the length of the meeting, there were limited reports presented)*

- a. Executive Board/Chair Bill James
- b. Vice Chair: John Comiskey
- c. Treasurer: Angelica Ramos-Allen
- d. Secretary: Helen Chapman
- e. Issues: Shay Franco-Clausen
- f. Community Services and Voter Registration: Judy Pipkin
- g. Finance: Prameela Bartholomeusz
- h. Endorsements: Clarence Madrilejos
- i. Communications: David Cohen
- j. Gender Equity and the Status of Women: Jean Cohen
- k. Campaign Services: Jeff Cardenas
- l. Clubs: Alex Wara
- m. Regional Director:
  - 1) Rocky Fernandez, Region 5
  - 2) Hene Kelley, Region 6
  - 3) Omar Torres, Region 7
- n. Democratic National Committee: Otto Lee
- o. DTV Report: Steve Chessin
  - p. Pro-Choice Coalition: Claudia Shope
  - q. CDC Report: Emilie Gatfield

**9. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Bill James shared that the September SCCDCC meeting will be Sept 13, 2018, @Laborers Local 270 (new location) 2195 Fortune Dr., San Jose to allow time to do endorsements. The November 1 SCCDCC meeting is cancelled to focus on the election. There are upcoming Red-to-Blue phone banks: <https://bit.ly/takebackcongress>

Bill also thanked the D10/Santa Clara City Dem Club for providing dinner this evening.

**CLUB REPORTS**

**Dean Club**

DFA Link meeting  
Steve Chessin, Californians for Electoral Reform  
WHEN: July 9, 2018 @ 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm  
WHERE: Democratic Volunteer Center 960 San Antonio Rd, Palo Alto, CA 94303

Dean Club working meeting  
Read officers into minutes, ballot initiative DFALink assignments, final  
WHEN: July 23, 2018 @ 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm  
WHERE: Marie Callender's 751 E El Camino Real Sunnyvale, CA 94087

DFA Link meeting  
Ballot Initiative Presentation and Straw Poll  
WHEN: August 13, 2018 @ 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm  
WHERE: Democratic Volunteer Center

960 San Antonio Rd, Palo Alto, CA 94303

Dean Club working meeting ballot initiative endorsements general election endorsements

WHEN: August 27, 2018 @ 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

WHERE: Marie Callender's

751 E El Camino Real Sunnyvale, CA 94087

DFA Link Meeting

Marc Berman, Assembly member, AD 24

WHEN: September 24, 2018 @7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

WHERE: Marie Callender's 751 E El Camino Real, Sunnyvale, CA 94087

DFA Link Meeting

Agenda TBD

WHEN: October 8, 2018 @6:30 pm 9:00 pm

WHERE: Democratic Volunteer Center

960 San Antonio Rd., Palo Alto CA 94303

Dean Club working meeting

SCCDP accreditation

WHEN: October 22, 2018 @ 7:00pm – 9:00 pm

WHERE: Marie Callender's 751 E El Camino Real, Sunnyvale, CA 94087

#### **SVYD**

Angel Martinez shared that they are holding endorsement interview and holding an event for Lucas Ramirez this Sat.

#### **DAWN**

Linda Alexander shared DAWN will be holding 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event on 8/26/18 at the home of Zoe Lofgren. DAWN held elections at the last board meeting.

#### **PDC**

Annual PDC picnic is August 19<sup>th</sup>, Cuesta Park, Fiona Ma is the guest speaker. There is a gathering at home of Emy Thurber's to celebrate the life of Jim Thurber on 9/8/18. The PDC is open and helping to elect good Democrats

#### **SCCDC**

Fred shared that the club picnic was on July 28<sup>th</sup>. Great turn out. Zoe Lofgren was the guest speaker. Next meeting 8/20/18

#### **Democratic Club of the Villages**

Pam shared that Nancy Pyle is now the new President of the club.

#### **21<sup>st</sup> Century Club**

Peter Allen shared Teresa Castellanos is the next quest speaker at the next club meeting on Friday August 10<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Sunnyvale Democratic Club**

Mike Serrone shared that the Next meeting is August 19<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. This is will an endorsement meeting for Sunnyvale City Council. On 9/15 there is planned League of Women voters debate

#### **Working Blue Democratic Club**

Bill Wallace invited everyone to the come to the next meeting, which is the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month. Thanked everyone for attending a successful All Club picnic and invited all to attend the CARA lobby day Town Hall 9/27/18

#### **D 10 Democrats**

Dave Poeschel reminded everyone about the Club BBQ on 8-19-18

#### **South County Democratic Club**

Amy McElroy shared that the Annual BBQ is on 9/19/18 at the Morgan Hill Cellars

#### **Avalanche Club**

Linda Baxter asked members to write postcards up upcoming OCI meetings – Anna Eshoo will be attending the meeting in September.

#### **DAWN**

Linda Alexander shared that the Annual Brunch will be on 8/23/18

### **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **10. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

NO Meeting in August – Next meeting Wed, September 19, 2018 6pm Dem Headquarters 2901 Moorpark Ave., Suite 110, San Jose

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm with a moment of silence in the memory of Jim Thurber