

**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, June 7, 2018**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

7:09 pm

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Absent:** Chris Stampolis, Aimee Escobar, Albert Hernandez, Juan Quinones, Jason Baker, Ruben Navarro, Brian O'Neill, Ross Gomez, Dan Kenney and Danielle Davenport

**Alternates for:** Kansen Chu, Ash Kalra, Mark Stone, Jerry Hill, Jim Beall, Ana Caballero, Jimmy Panetta, Bob Wieckowski, Bill Monning and Zoe Lofgren

**3. IDENTIFICATION OF VISITORS**

Etan Fensen

John Cordes – Candidate for Sunnyvale City Council

Karen Lattin

Kerry Rosado – Candidate for Franklin McKinley School District

Patricia Andrade

Brian Wheatley – Candidate for San Jose Unified School District

Peter Ortiz

Nava Ellenberg

**4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Approved

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** (Minutes are/will be posted at [sccd.org](http://sccd.org))

a. Thursday, May 3, 2018 – Approved

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

a. Fill vacancy on SCCDCC (AD29)

Karen Lattin was unanimously approved to fill the vacancy for AD29

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Announce SCCDCC vacancy (AD25); filled at August meeting

Bill announced that Dominic Caserta resigned from his seat on Central Committee, which now leaves an open seat.

b. [contingent] Ratify Executive Board Action on Caserta Endorsement

Motion to ratify Executive Board Action to repeal the endorsement of Dominic Caserta for County Supervisor, approved.

c. Approved Change to Endorsements in Local Races Act.

Motion - Approved

d. Election Recap

Maya Esparza – Candidate for City Council, D7 and Susan Ellenberg, Candidate for Santa Clara County Supervisor both and thanked the Committee for supporting their respective campaigns.

Bill also acknowledged the hard work of the Measure B/C Campaign team.

e. United Democratic Campaign

Bill presented information regarding the UDC and the financial report

f. Democratic Victory Dinner – Bill shared an update on the very successful fundraising dinner.

g. Youth Takeover: July 12<sup>th</sup> meeting

Next month the youth will take over the Central Committee meeting. They will drive the agenda, present resolutions and run the meeting.

h. Charter “Avalanche Democratic Club of Silicon Valley”

Linda Baxter and Patrick Dill introduced themselves as founding members of the Avalanche Democratic Club.

Charter approved

i. Request SJ City Council prioritize Suicide Prevention

Motion to allow Chair to send letter to City Council to prioritize Suicide Prevention for the Priority Setting Session and subsequent action.

j. Request to oppose measure to undermine Mountain View Measure V (Rent Stabilization)

Emily Ramos asked for approval to oppose the measure to repeal rent control in the signature-gathering phase. – Approved

k. Committee for President Barack Obama Blvd. – Alex Shoor

Alex requested assistance from the committee to sign the petition to name a street in San Jose after President Barack Obama. Donations can be made thru African American Community Association, as they are fiscal sponsor.

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

- a. Executive Board/Chair Bill James – report shared under New Business  
Thanked the Democratic Club of the Villages for providing dinner this evening.
- b. Vice Chair: John Comiskey  
Thanked everyone for attending from newly formed Avalanche Democratic Club
- c. Treasurer: Angelica Ramos-Allen  
At Pace
- d. Secretary: Helen Chapman  
No report
- e. Issues: Shay Franco-Clausen – Absent
- f. Community Services and Voter Registration: Judy Pipkin  
Thanked Jeff Cardenas for his awesome volunteer work during the Primary election
- g. Finance: Prameela Bartholomeusz –  
Prameela shared she is hoping to organize a fundraiser sometime the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in July.
- h. Endorsements: Clarence Madrilejos  
Thanked all the Democratic candidates and shared he is working on the process for the November elections.
- i. Communications: David Cohen – No Report
- j. Gender Equity and the Status of Women: Jean Cohen – No report
- k. Campaign Services: Jeff Cardenas –  
Shared information about using Hustle for reaching out to voters.
- l. Clubs: Alex Wara
- m. Regional Director:
  - 1) Rocky Fernandez, Region 5
  - 2) Hene Kelley, Region 6  
E-Board meeting in Oakland, will be covering Endorsements and Resolutions.
  - 3) Omar Torres, Region 7
- n. Democratic National Committee: Otto Lee  
Otto shared updates from last DNC meeting and that the Blue wave is coming. The race to be involved in is Andrew Janz vs Devin Nunez.
- o. DTV Report: Steve Chessin  
Democratic Television Producer Emeritus Steve Chessin reported that our guest in June was Kacey Carpenter, a Bernie delegate to the National Convention who has written a book about his experience. Previous guests were Alice Kaufman from Committee for Green Foothills and Palo Alto City Councilmember Adriane Fine.  
Our guest in July is TBD.  
See the SCCDP web site for the schedule, and to view our shows. We could still use more good Democrats on the crew. No prior video experience is necessary
- p. Pro-Choice Coalition: Claudia Shope  
June 11, 2018 – Planned Parenthood goes to Sacramento at 8am. There is a bus leaving from 1746 The Alameda. Please join us.  
Contact [sanjosepa@ppmarmonte.org](mailto:sanjosepa@ppmarmonte.org) for more info.
- q. CDC Report: Emilie Gatfield  
No report.

**9. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Dean Club**

DFA Link meeting

Bob Marshalla, Citizen's Climate Lobby

WHEN: May 14, 2018 @ 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Dean Club working meeting form nominating committee call for nominees (to be addressed to the committee, outside of the meeting )

All Clubs Unity Picnic sponsorship ballot initiative DFALink assignments, preliminary endorsement interviews schedule

WHEN: May 28, 2018 @ 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

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DFA Link meeting

R L Miller, Climate Hawks

WHEN: June 11, 2018 @ 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm  
WHERE: Democratic Volunteer Center  
960 San Antonio Rd, Palo Alto, CA 94303

Dean Club Annual Picnic and Election of Officers  
WHEN: June 30, 2018 @ 11:00 am – 3:00 pm NOTE: this is a Saturday  
WHERE: Ponderosa Park 811 Henderson Ave Sunnyvale, CA 94086

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

**SVYD**  
Emily Ramos shared next meeting is June 25<sup>th</sup> – Topic E-Board elections 7pm

**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**  
Ambassador McFall fundraiser, July 8<sup>th</sup> for both headquarters, PDC picnic is August 19<sup>th</sup>.

**SCCDC**  
Fred shared there was last minute change from Lt. Gov debate to County Sheriff race at last meeting. In June there will be a wrap up of all June elections. July everyone is invited to the club picnic on July 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Bangladeshi American Dem Coalition**  
June 23<sup>rd</sup> 11:30 to 2:30 2800 Villages Fairway holding an event to introduce Bangladeshi candidates running for office in November

**Democratic Club of the Villages**  
Pam shared that Nancy Pyle is now the new President of the club.

**21stCentury Club**  
Peter Allen shared Terry Christensen is the next quest speaker at the next club meeting on Friday June 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Sunnyvale Democratic Club**  
Next meeting is June 16<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. Will feature candidates Gustav Laarsen and Mason Fong, candidates for Sunnyvale City Council.

**Working Blue Democratic Club**  
Judy invited everyone on behalf of the club to attend the All Club picnic on July 21<sup>st</sup> at Prusch Farm.

**D 10 Democrats**  
Dave Poeschel asked everyone to save the date for the Club BBQ on 8-19-18

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 10. EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Wed, June 20, 2018 6pm Dem Headquarters 2901 Moorpark Ave., Suite 110, San Jose

### 11. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm