

SAN PEDRO DEMOCRATIC CLUB

MINUTES OF AUGUST 27, 2018 MEETING

The meeting was held at Think Café, 302 W. 5th Street, San Pedro, CA 90731, and was called to order at 7:14 PM.

A motion was made by Pat Stanyo to approve the agenda, seconded by Jim Dear, and passed unanimously.

ENDORSEMENTS:

First on the program was endorsement for U.S. Senate. Senator Dianne Feinstein was represented by Derek Mezzio, and although no one from Kevin DeLeon's campaign was in attendance, Maria Martinez spoke on his behalf. Following their presentations and Q and A, a vote was taken. After the ballots were counted, Kevin DeLeon received more than 60% of the vote, and will be our endorsed candidate.

Next we discussed the statewide ballot initiative Proposition 10 Rent Control, which would remove a 1995 law. Pat Stanyo moved that we support Prop 10. Bill Roberson seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.

Although Joseph Lopez had come to represent Jeffrey Prang, consideration of endorsement for LA County Assessor was postponed until the September meeting because there is an additional Democratic candidate who was not invited to our meeting.

ADEM ELECTIONS – Regional Director and LACDP Vice Chair Sergio Carillo reported that there will be a convention in San Francisco in 2019.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATES:

SB10 Initiative to Reduce Cash Bail, which we endorsed, went to the Assembly, where it was stalled and amended.

AB84, which would allow legislative candidates to bypass their parties in fundraising, was considered. A Resolution Draft was presented, opposing the resolution. Cathy Familathe moved that we oppose AB84. The motion was seconded by Louis Dominguez and passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: DNC Unity Commission

A copy of President Carrie Scoville's Resolution to Support Unity Reforms at the 2018 Chicago DNC Meeting dated July 23, 2018, was included on the reverse side of the agenda. Carrie reported that following the meeting in Chicago, super delegates will now be called automatic delegates and will not be allowed to vote in the first round of voting.

The party will advocate for same day voter registration, same day switching of parties, and paper ballots.

REPORTS:

President Carrie Scoville recognized Think Café for providing us space for our monthly meetings. She said that Harbor Community Clinic has offered us a table at the clinic for voter registration. She proposed that we have a fundraising event for our endorsed candidate for Sheriff, Alex Villaneuva. James Allen moved that we authorize Carrie to organize a fundraiser. Susan Tucker seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Carrie will contact Alex's campaign to get a date for the fundraiser. She also discussed the endorsements for the incumbent by numerous Democratic officials, and that this is a violation of Democratic Party rules. James Allen made a motion that Carrie write a letter to the County party and send a copy to the Democrats on the list saying they should rescind their endorsement of the incumbent. Susan Tucker seconded, and the motion passed.

1st VP Linda Bassett said the Carson charter will be on the next agenda, along with Public Banking, Remaining Ballot Initiatives and Candidates.

2nd VP of Membership Shannon Ross was not present, but Carrie reported that club t-shirts will be available for \$12. Our current membership is 87.

James Allen will prepare a report on increasing our membership.

There is no report from our Secretary for May/July.

Treasurer Tom Butler proposed the following:

- A payment of \$100 for the Women's March South Bay Rally endorsement and participation fee. Louis Dominguez moved that we participate and authorize the payment. Linda Teach seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.
- A payment of \$135 for a ticket for him to attend the LACDP Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Banquet, where he will be receiving an award. James Allen moved that we pay for Tom's ticket. Susan Tucker seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.
- A payment of \$50 to support Harbor Clinic.

He also reported that we \$245 in expenses last month and have a closing balance of \$2,381.22.

Darryl Sweeney moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, Robert Farrell seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM.

