

# DEMCCO General Meeting Minutes

February 23, 2019

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Bill Fowler at 10:00 a.m.

Approval of Agenda: It was moved/seconded to approve the agenda as written (M. Bullock). The motion passed.

Special Guest Assemblymember Lorena Gonzalez-Fletcher: Assm. Gonzalez-Fletcher announced her candidacy for California Secretary of State for the 2022 election. She has been working on improving voter registration and elections for some time. She was the author of the automatic registration law and is currently working to provide early in-person voting on the Saturday, Sunday and Monday before the election from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. in the communities where there are 10,000 or more voters. For further information, see the following link <https://a80.asmdc.org/biography>.

## Election of Officers:

The following offices and candidates were presented to the membership and provided time to make statements and answer questions.

- **Political Action Chair** (no nominees from the floor)  
Sheila Kadah  
Kyle Krahel-Frolander (note: Kyle is ill and Blake Morris spoke on Kyle's behalf.)
- **First Vice President** (no nominees from the floor)  
Pat Amador  
Kathy Rallings
- **President** (no nominees from the floor)  
Jason Rosenberg  
Linda Slater
- **Fundraising Chair** (no nominees from the floor)  
Dee Forsberg
- **Membership Chair** (no nominees from the floor)  
Shirley Anderson
- **Special Events Chair** (no nominees from the floor)  
Vince Loughney
- **Treasurer** (no nominees from the floor)

Mary Meyers

- **Nominating Committee Members-at-Large (3)**

Linda Kallas

Larry Lugo

Nadine Scott (nominated from the floor)

Esther Sanchez, Councilmember for the City of Oceanside

Thinking of election, nearly 1 year before the 2020 Primary Election. Unofficially announced running for mayor of Oceanside. We need to organize and build our votes from the ground up. 2020 will be the year of the Democrats.

Cori Schumacher, Councilmember for the City of Carlsbad

SANDAG, it has taken a U-turn and is no longer focusing on freeway expansion rather public transit. Cori is chair of the SANDAG energy working group. We are working to achieve a San Diego Green New Deal, hopefully the first regional one.

Barbara Hamilton, Councilmember for the City of Carlsbad

Doing things differently to be more transparent and focusing on the dias to insure community involvement and the democratic process is followed. Working on issues including energy efficiency, EV charging, community choice energy and transportation demand management.

James McCord, volunteer with the California Clean Money Campaign

California Clean Money Campaign is working to get money out of politics. State Senator Ben Allen introduced SB 47: Petition DISCLOSE Act. Applies to people gathering signatures on petitions and would require disclosure of the top 3 funders of the committee organizing the campaign to voters.

Kathy Rallings, President, Carlsbad Unified School District Board of Trustees

Reaching out to community members who do not have children in the Carlsbad schools to get input in spending the money from Measure HH. There will be 2 community meetings: March 5 at 6 pm at District office on Faraday and March 7 at 6 p.m. at Valley Middle School Library.

Announcement: Rapid Response Network exists to help asylum-seeking families get clothing, medical care, etc. and to have transportation to their sponsors. Volunteers and donations are needed. If interested, go to [www.rapidresponsesd.org](http://www.rapidresponsesd.org)

Mike Levin, U.S. Congressman for the 49<sup>th</sup> District

Town Halls are being held monthly in various locations in Orange County and North San Diego County. In Washington, D.C., Mike is sponsoring bills to stop Trump's emergency declaration, movement of nuclear waste from San Onofre, H.R.1 to get dark money out of politics, Green New Deal Resolution. The Green New Deal has no policy statements, rather guidelines for what needs to be done to reduce climate change effects. Held hearings on gun violence prevention and H.R.8 to require universal background checks. Congressional Progressive Caucus (102 members, largest caucus) working on Medicare For All bill.

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Tasha Boerner Horvath, Assemblymember, 76<sup>th</sup> Assembly District  
There is a lot of activity in Sacramento.

Announcement of Election Results:

President: Linda Slater

First Vice President: Pat Amador

Treasurer: Mary Meyers

Fundraising Committee Chair: Dee Forsberg

Membership Committee Chair: Shirley Anderson

Political Action Committee Chair: Kyle Krahel-Frolander

Special Events Committee Chair: Vince Loughney

Nominating Committee Members-at-Large: Linda Kallas, Larry Lugo, Nadine Scott

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m. until March 23, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Slater, Secretary