

DEMCCO General Meeting Minutes - June 22, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 10AM by President Linda Slater, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Business:

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

Introduction of Visitors and New Members Several new members and visitors introduced themselves.

Election of Delegates for the Pre-endorsing Conference DEMCCO has qualified for 10 delegates. We need to elect 10 delegates along with 2 alternates with an equal number of females and males. 10 members volunteered to serve as delegates. It was moved/seconded (S.Kadah/M.Bullock) to elect the 10 volunteers as delegates. An amendment to the motion was made/seconded (Rallings/G.Sanders) to take nominations from the floor prior to holding the election. The amendment passed then the amended motion passed. Nominations with seconds from the floor included Donna Rencsak, Andrea Sanders and Vince Loughney. The vote was conducted by written ballot with the following results:

Patricia McFarlane	Eric Joyce
Tim Piowaty	Jason Rosenberg
Krista Ross	Katya Grishakova
Richard Jaross	Janice Rodriguez
Shirley Anderson	Chih Wu Chang
Andrea Sanders (alternate)	Vincent Loughney (alternate)

CleanEarth4Kids A presentation by Suzanne Hume and John Bottorff on the detriments of emissions car idling creates especially for kids at schools and how they are working with various school districts. This is especially important contribution to GHG. A "No Idling Resolution" proposal is available and will be considered for adoption by DEMCCO in July.

Consideration of Bylaws Amendment to Add Hospitality Chair to E Board. President Linda Slater explained that this position carries a lot of responsibility and therefore should be on the E-board. It was moved/seconded (M.Bullock/Jaross) to amend the bylaws. The vote was 30 yes, 0 no and 1 abstain. The motion passed.

Elected and Candidate Announcements

- Teresa Acosta: filed for Carlsbad City Council, District 4, last week. Owns a small consulting business and is a single mom whose daughter is now away at college. Website www.teresaacosta.org. Her campaign launch will be July 13 in Carlsbad. Check out her website for further information.
- Melinda Vasquez: speaking on behalf of Olga Diaz who is running for Board of Supervisors, District 3. Tasha Boerner Horvath and Cori Schumacher have endorsed her. Olga has the experience and success of running for office. She is

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serving her third term as Escondido City Councilmember. Her website is olgadiaz.com.

- Simon Angel: representing Terra Lawson-Remer. Worked with Terra at Flip the 49th. Terra doesn't just talk the talk, she walks the talk! Her website is: <https://www.terralawsonremer.org/>
- Jane Marshall: running for Oceanside City Council, District 4. Has worked with Esther Sanchez as a volunteer in her campaigns. Concerned about quality of life issues and passionate about the climate action plan that she worked on. Working with the Oceanside Chamber of Commerce to attract new businesses to Oceanside to improve the balance of business and residential.
- Kathy Rallings: Carlsbad School Board. Now beginning first phase of improvements enabled by the passage of Measure HH in November 2018. A resolution supporting 2 of the charter school bills, AB 1505 and 1507, were approved in a 3 to 2 vote of the Board. The "Community and Schools First Act," a Prop 13 reform act, will make sure businesses pay their share of property taxes.
- Esther Sanchez: running for mayor in Oceanside. Oceanside needs new leadership, improved climate action plan, smart development and more jobs with livable wages.

Programs:

Gun Violence Prevention: Jessie Bree of Mom's Demand Action presented a brief history/description of the organization which joined with Mayors Against Gun Violence and now is under the umbrella of Everytown for Gun Safety. Membership includes moms, dads, teachers, and anyone who wants to make a difference about gun violence, and it exceeds the membership of the NRA! In California, it works to pass bills such as the gun violence restraining bill in 2017. In 2018, it helped pass a bill stating the amount of training needed to get a concealed carry permit. In 2019, it lobbied to increase funding for the California Intervention and Prevention Program (usually budgeted \$9 million but lobbying resulted in a budget of \$30 million). Many opportunities to work with the group. Meets the second Thursday of every month at the LGBTQ Center in Oceanside. New members welcome. www.momsdemandaction.org

California Democratic Party Convention (May 31-June 2, 2019) Report by Cori Schumacher. Rusty Hicks won Party Chair. He established a delegate-lead committee to review the Party's decision-making bodies with 3 co-chairs including Kimberly Ellis. Kevin Sabellico is on this committee and we can reach out to him for updates. Heard from 14 Presidential candidates. 14 resolutions were passed including Green New Deal, rent stabilizing, right to organize, reform Prop 13, etc. See demcco.org for a description of all resolutions. The Women's Group of the SDCDP Central Committee is working hard on a process on how sexual harassment is handled, a leading role by San Diego County.

50/50 Drawing: Pat McFarlane won the "Mystery Bag." Mary Meyers won the \$52 pot.

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Announcements:

- Oceanside Independence Parade on Jun 29th 10AM—volunteers needed-- and everyone is encouraged to wear a DEMCCO T-shirt
- Senator Schumer has requested an investigation into why the Harriet Tubman \$20 bill is not going into circulation.
- “A Path Forward” a series (5 meetings) on learning to work together and listen to one another. See Pat McFarlane for further information.
- North County Climate Change Alliance July 11 meeting at 5:30 p.m. at the Vista Library.

Adjournment: It was moved/seconded (Hilton/M.Bullock) to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m. until July 27, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Marshall, Secretary