

## DEMCCO Executive Board Minutes

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August 12, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Linda Slater, President  
David Hall, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
Chih-Wu Chang, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President  
Mary Meyers, Treasurer  
Shirley Anderson, Chair, Membership Committee  
Jan Neff-Sinclair, Chair, Communications Committee  
Zack Zannoni, Chair, Special Events  
Diana Aguirre, Chair, Political Action Committee  
Joan Bullock, Chair, Hospitality  
Mike Bullock, Special Advisor on Climate Change

ABSENT:

Jane Marshall, Secretary  
Sheila Kadah, Chair, Fundraising

- I. The Zoom meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. The agenda was approved as written without objections.
- II. It was moved/seconded (Zannoni) to approve E-Board Minutes of July 8, 2021 as written. The motion passed.
- III. Guests Comments: No guests.
- IV. Officers' and Chairs' Reports and Status of Goals:
  - A. President (L.Slater): A special meeting of the San Diego County Democratic Party Central Committee was held on August 10<sup>th</sup>. The only agenda item was to approve an increased budget and discuss/volunteer for activities to stop the recall. It was very successful with a record number of people volunteering for phone banks, texting and canvassing.
  - B. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President (D. Hall): Program topics for the August 28 (Mental Health in the Pandemic), September 25 (DEI) and October 23 (Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer) meetings were reviewed. Note: they were approved by the E Board at the July 8, 2021 meeting. It was moved/seconded (Hall) to pay speaker Dima Ghawi a \$250 speakers fee by a donation from Chih-Wu Chang. The motion passed. Concern was expressed that DEMCCO has not relied on paid speakers for our programs because our most important mission is to support candidates with donations and has been able to get excellent speakers without the need to pay them.
  - C. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President (C. Chang)
    - At the Council of Club Meeting, Will Rodriguez-Kennedy, Stephen Shepherd (Finance Director for San Diego County Young Dems), and

Gibhran Jimenez (Finance Professional) attended a panel discussion on Fundraising for clubs.

- Judy Ki Spoke on "AAPI History and Incidents of Asian Hate" at ENCDC
- At San Marcos Dem Club, Congressmember Levin spoke about the American Rescue Plan and what it means for San Diego County.
- Steve Lindley on Gun Violence Prevention (GVP), especially on Ghost Gun at the Vista Club
- County Supervisors approved \$24M to address COVID-19 disparities
- County Supervisor updated plans for housing, Safety, and Environmental Justice. [Read More](#)

- D. Treasurer (M. Meyers): Approximately \$8800 is the DEMCCO bank account balance. The FPPC Form 460 was completed and submitted before the July 31, 2021 deadline. See what was submitted at the ROV website.
- E. Membership (S. Anderson): There are 221 paid members now which includes 8 new memberships this year. 195 members were reported to Regional Director Deborah Cunningham Skurnick for the Pre-endorsing Conference which will result in DEMCCO being able to send 9 representatives to the conference.
- F. Hospitality (J. Bullock): no report
- G. Fundraising (S. Kadah): no report, Sheila is ill and is currently hospitalized.
- H. Political Action (D. Aguirre): See written report. To increase PAC membership (goal 9), Diana sends an email to new members and has received 4 new members to PAC. To improve DEI, Diana attends the JEDI training and encourages others to do so. She is also establishing relationships with North County women of color to hopefully get them to join DEMCCO.
- I. Special Events (Z. Zannoni): unable to attend last Sunset Market. We had a booth at the August 5 Sunset Market. The atmosphere from the attendees was quite hostile but we need to address misinformation.
- J. Communications (J. Neff-Sinclair): No report. Communication committee is Shirley (Facebook), Chih-Wu (Instagram) and Linda (website). Jan has applied for the the Carlsbad City Council D 1 vacancy.
- K. Climate Change Special Advisor (M. Bullock): Not doing enough on climate and we should be alarmed. More focus on climate emergencies is needed.

#### V. Unfinished Business

- A. Bylaws amendments for Article III and IV were submitted by L. Slater. Following a lengthy discussion where there was no concensus on the amendments, consideration was subsequently withdrawn by the Slater.

#### VI. New Business

- A. Linktree (Diana): This is useful is for linking social media. Communications committee members will look into applying it to our social media.

#### VII. Announcements:

- A. County redistricting commission is having 3 informational sessions. A major issue is including Carlsbad in D3 vs D5.
- B. C4FA has a petition to get support for keeping the airport a BII airport. Please go to [C4FA.org](http://C4FA.org) to sign the petition.

- C. Everyone was encouraged to sign up to canvass, phone bank and texting at [sddemocrats.org/action](http://sddemocrats.org/action)
- D. It was moved/seconded (Slater) to meet by hybrid meeting on August 28. The motion failed 3 yes, 4 no. Therefore, the August 28 meeting will be held by Zoom.
- E. When we begin in-person meetings, the Program Committee is responsible for setting up and taking down the room (chairs, tables) for the meetings.

VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20PM. Next meeting September 9, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Slater, President

Approved 10/14/2021