

DEMCCO Executive Board Minutes

January 13, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Diana Aguirre, Political Action Chair
Shirley Anderson, Membership Chair
Joan Bullock, Hospitality Chair
Mike Bullock, Special Advisor on Climate Change
Chih-Wu Chang, 2nd Vice President
David Hall, 1st Vice President
Mary Meyers, Treasurer
Jan Neff-Sinclair, Communications Chair
Linda Slater, President

MEMBER ABSENT: Jane Marshall, Secretary

GUESTS: Ann Crosbie, Endorsement Committee Member
Angie Knappenberger, Member

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. The agenda was approved without objections.

The Minutes of the October 14, 2021, meeting were approved without objections.

Reports

- President:
 - The Board of Supervisors D5, Vista Mayor and City Council D4 and Oceanside City Council D1 races were voted to be strategically critical by the Central Committee in December 2021.
 - The Pre-endorsing representatives as determined at the October 23, 2021, general meeting plus 2 additional alternates from Oceanside (to even out representatives in AD 74 vs. AD 77) will be submitted to Region 18 Director, Deborah Cunningham-Skurnik. DEMCCO will have 9 representatives at the Pre-endorsing Conference.
 - Party Chair Will Rodriguez-Kennedy has asked to speak on redistricting at the February 26, 2022, meeting.
- 1st Vice President:
 - January general meeting will be a panel discussion on the climate crisis. Because this panel discussion may take more than one hour, it will take place starting at 11:00 a.m.
 - No program in February because of Chair Rodriguez-Kennedy's presentation and the annual election of E Board members.
- 2nd Vice President:
 - See report was provided before the meeting
 - There was no meeting of the Council of Clubs in December 2021.

- Summary of meetings of various clubs was included.
- Chih-Wu has taken over the meeting of the group discussing issues of how DEMCCO can be a more inclusive, diverse and equitable club. The name and the focus of the group has changed, now being referred to as JEDI. Rob Howard is voluntarily leading this group.
- Treasurer:
 - Presented financial statements through December 31, 2021. The December 4, 2021 fundraiser netted \$3695 for candidate donations.
 - A projected budget was presented. Presentation to the members and when will be determined at next month's meeting.
- Membership Committee:
 - 79 renewals so far
 - U.S. mail renewal reminders will be sent late January to early February
- Hospitality Committee: no report
- Fundraising Committee: leads Ann Crosbie and Kathy Rallings reported they learned a lot that will be helpful for future fundraisers
- Political Action Committee:
 - Began work identifying candidates and concerns for Democratic candidates running for school boards
 - A few PAC members are engaging using Slack—contact Diana Aguirre for help
 - The next City of Carlsbad Redistricting Meeting is January 13, 2022
 - Next PAC meeting is Sunday, 2/1/22
 - Looking for an Oceanside co-lead
- Special Events: no report
- Communications Committee:

Next newsletter is January 17 and the deadline for submissions is Sunday, January 15 by 5 p.m.
- Special Advisor:

SANDAG Transportation Plan passed with an amendment to remove the road use tax

New Business

- Endorsement Committee Report (Ann Crosbie): The Endorsement Committee is recommending the following endorsement votes be conducted at the January 22, 2022, meeting
 - Board of Supervisors District 5 – Tiffany Boyd Hodgson
 - Assembly District 74 – Chris Duncan and Laurie Girard
 - State Senate District 38 – Catherine Blakespear
 - Oceanside City Council District 1 – Eric Joyce

The committee did not recommend additional endorsements until redistricting is complete.
- Nominating Committee Report (Shirley Anderson): Nominating Committee members include Shirley Anderson, Bill Fischer and Jason Rosenberg. The committee is recommending that the election be held at the February 26, 2022, meeting. Offices and candidates so far are:

- 1st Vice President – Stuart Gaiber
 - 2nd Vice President – Jane Marshall
 - Secretary – unsure currently
 - Fundraising Chair – Ann Crosbie
 - Communications Chair – Jan Neff-Sinclair
 - Hospitality Chair – no candidate so far
 - Special Events Chair – no candidate so far
 - 3 Members-at-large for Nominating Committee – no candidates so far
- Policy on Club Donations to Candidates (Linda Slater): It's suggested that we ask the membership to approve a policy about who and when candidates are given donations by DEMCCO. Approximately \$8,000 is available for candidate donations this year. It is recommended:

PROPOSED POLICY FOR CANDIDATE DONATIONS

Candidates must:

1. Have received an endorsement from DEMCCO.
2. Be verified to be a qualified resident of the district in which they are running
3. Be running in the general election, i.e. if there is a primary election for the race, they must have won in the primary election

DEMCCO will consider races that include at least some area within the Carlsbad or Oceanside city limits. Races in neighboring cities may be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Priority order of races:

1. Mayor and city council member races
2. School board races
3. Congressional and State races
4. Special district races, e.g., TriCity Healthcare
5. Other city council officials, e.g., City Clerk and City Treasurer
6. County races, e.g., Board of Supervisors, Sheriff and County Assessor-Recorder-Clerk

The consensus was to present this policy to the membership for their approval.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. until February 10, 2022

Submitted by Linda Slater, President
Approved 02/10/2022