

# DEMCCO General Meeting Minutes

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February 26, 2022

- I. The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by President Linda Slater.
- II. Hearing no objections, the agenda was approved as read.
- III. Hearing no objections, the Minutes of the January 22, 2022, meeting was approved as read.
  
- IV. DEMCCO Day of Action for Mike Levin: DEMCCO has volunteered to participate in a day of action of phone banking and canvassing in support of Congressman Mike Levin. This will take place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month from 400 to 6:00 p.m. Volunteers can make phone calls from the Campaign Office at 2375 Camino Vida Roble, Suite A, in Carlsbad. Volunteers may also choose to make their phone calls from home using their computer. Walking lists will be provided to those wanting to canvass. Please contact DEMCCO at [info@demcco.org](mailto:info@demcco.org).
  
- V. State of San Diego County Democratic Party, Will Rodriguez-Kennedy, Chair  
Redistricting results (maps can be found at [sddemocrats.org/redistricting](http://sddemocrats.org/redistricting)):
  - San Diego County continues to have 5 **Congressional districts** (CD 48, 49, 50, 51 and 52). North County districts, CD 48 is R+12 (strong Republican) and CD 49 is D+4 in the San Diego portion only, keeping it Democratic is highest priority
  - San Diego County has 5 **State Senate districts**, SD 38 is an open seat and is D+8-10 along with SD 40 where Biden won, are flappable to Democratic
  - San Diego County has 7 **Assembly districts** consisting of a coastal district, an East County district with 5 districts between, AD 74 is D+1 or 2 in the San Diego County portion and R+1 or 2 in the Orange County portion, AD 75 (East County) is strongly Republican while AD 76-80 are safe Democratic seats
  - Redistricting for the **SD County Board of Supervisors** resulted in District 5 including the Latino areas along Hwy 78, Carlsbad is now in District 3, District 5 has the remaining North County areas and is Democratic at D+4 while District 2 in the East County remains Republican at R+4

#### Timeline:

- The filing period for races in the Primary election is March 11, 2022
- May 10-early voting begins
- June 7-primary election

#### San Diego County Democratic Party activities:

- Candidate questionnaire has been rewritten to focus on the County Platform
- Incumbents are now being reviewed prior to endorsement using a questionnaire that is reviewed by a new committee in the area caucus

- “Let’s Go San Diego” ballot measure is being supported to approve San Diego transit funding
- There are 800,000 registered Democrats in San Diego County and it costs \$800,000 per slate mailing with 2 mailings planned, San Diego County does not receive any money from the California Democratic Party and San Diego County is larger than 22 states
- The strategy for this election year remains the “SANDAG+” which means races that influence the composition of SANDAG will be considered strategically critical to enable early endorsements and longer campaigns

#### Q & A

- paid canvassers will be used to supplement where needed
- focus is on North County
- SDCDP will continue to use vOTEBUILDER, most counties and the CDP use DNI

#### VI. Regional Decarbonization and Green Jobs Plan, Mark Leo, Senior Community Engagement Coordinator for Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer

- Working with UCSD and USD
- To be done by 2035
- Provides a framework to act on climate crisis
- Will result in 27,000 jobs/year

#### VII. Lifetime Membership

Mike Lewis was awarded a lifetime membership for his service to DEMCCO over many years.

#### VIII. Candidates and Elected Officials

##### **Carlsbad Councilmember Teresa Acosta**

- redistricting is being done by a commission not the city council
- see Facebook/Instagram for progress on addressing homelessness and housing
- join Monthly Virtual Coffee Chats
- currently 12 students (high school freshmen to recent college graduates) working to obtain donations for Community Interfaith Services

##### **Michael Joseph Flemming**

- Candidate for Superior Court Judge, Seat 35
- Works “smart on crime”

##### **Chris Duncan, candidate for AD 74**

- Thank you to Laurie Girand for dropping out of the race so Democrats can focus on one candidate
- Climate stabilization and coastal protection is #1 issue
- There will be a rally at Janet Lacy’s home

**Kathy Rallings, incumbent for Carlsbad Unified School District Board**

- Redistricting maps have been approved
- The Board will be holding in-person/hybrid meetings now
- Will seek DEMCCO's endorsement soon

**Oceanside Mayor Esther Sanchez**

- The majority on the Oceanside City Council is failing to make decisions that benefit the community and the hardworking families of Oceanside
- Money has been spent on studying using groins to improve sand retention on the beaches instead of working with other cities to develop a regional plan and 3 cities have now passed resolutions opposing Oceanside using groins
- \$0 of the \$32.3 million federal relief funds have been spent on helping families who need help

IX. Election of Officers and Nominating Committee for 2022

After having no additional nominations from the floor, the following DEMCCO members were elected by acclamation:

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Stuart Gaiber

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Jane Marshall

Secretary: Angie Knappenberger

Fundraising Chair: Ann Crosbie

Communications Chair: Jan Neff-Sinclair

Nominating Committee: Hope Nelson

X. Approval of 2022 Budget

Following a description of the proposed budget by Treasurer Mary Meyers, the 2022 budget was approved without objection.

XI. "Let's Go San Diego" petition

Diane Nygaard shared that this petition is in the process of signature gathering so that it will be on the November 7 election. Its purpose is to fund smart transportation thereby reducing traffic and cost.

XII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:07 p.m., until March 26, 2022.

Submitted by: Linda Slater, President

Approved 3/26/2022