

**Santa Cruz County Democratic Central Committee  
General Meeting Agenda**

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October 27th, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order –Chair Andrew Goldenkranz: 1906
- II. Attendance and Welcome Visitors – Introductions
  - 1) Present: Keith Gudger, Joe Hall, Tony Russomanno, Adam Spickler, Rachel Williams, Rene Bloch, Pat Manning for Adele Gardner, Gigi Kelbert, Cyndi Dawson, Stacey Falls, Diana Alfaro, Cynthia Mathews, Jenni Veitch-Olson, Jenny Sarmiento, Gwen Chiramonte, Glenn Glazer, Linda Kerner, Coco Raner-Walter, Carol Fuller for Jimmy Panetta, Shaw Ramey-Wright for John Laird, Glen Schaller for Franco Picarella, Ray Cancino, Mary Ann Clare, Barry Scott
  - 2) Absent: Nora Hochman, Akin Babatola, Molly Regan, Edward Estrada
- III. Agenda Changes
  - 1) Move 3) Allied Group Reports and 4) to 8pm.
- IV. Approval of Minutes
- V. Old Business
  - 1) Swearing in of Kyle Kelley, Diana’s alt. (Andrew) (5 minutes)
- VI. New Business
  - 1) Relational Question (Andrew) (10 minutes)
    - i. Punted after some discussion
  - 2) Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer Elections. See resolution here:  
[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1OkAg\\_KWcqCTwNVooqUn8\\_M40WgINUees-vewwrVR4XU/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1OkAg_KWcqCTwNVooqUn8_M40WgINUees-vewwrVR4XU/edit?usp=sharing)
    - i. Passed 16-0
  - 3) Amah Mutsun sacred ground update (Lou) (5 minutes)
    - i. Gave a review of the issues with the pit mine and the land ownership.
    - ii. Will call a meeting
  - 4) Sen. John Laird: legislative recap and preview of Glasgow conference (8pm) (15 minutes presentation, 10 minute Q&A)
    - i. Occurred after VII.8
    - ii. Legislative update, got all 10 bills signed by the governor
    - iii. Discussion of topics to be presented at Glasgow, California’s position with respect to climate action
    - iv. Q&A from members and guests
- VII. DCC Reports – **Please keep all reports to 2-minutes**
  - 1) Chair – Andrew Goldenkranz
    - i. Celeste: Watsonville update
      1. <https://www.vanessaquirozcarter.com/>
    - ii. Cyndi: Empty Home Tax update
      1. <https://emptyhometax.org/>
    - iii. Redistricting locally
      1. <https://www.wedrawthelinesca.org/visualizations>
      2. DCNSCC is having Jim Moser as our guest next week
  - 2) Vice Chair – Cynthia Mathews
    - i. No report.
  - 3) Treasurer – Keith Gudger
    - i. Resolution on bank signer
    - ii. Amended to remove contractor per bylaws comment from Pat
    - iii. M/S/P (Keith/Glenn) 20-0-0
  - 4) Secretary – Glenn Glazer
    - i. Apology for late agenda.
    - ii. Changed agenda title for Treasurer
  - 5) Corresponding Secretary – Rena Dubin
    - i. No report
  - 6) Ways and Means – Akin Babatola
    - i. No report
  - 7) Public Relations – Tony Russomanno
    - i. Thanked Barry for addition to trolley demo script thanking the DCC.
  - 8) Events – Coco Raner-Walter and Diana Alfaro
    - i. Parade and after party at Woodstock’s
    - ii. Town hall with supervisor candidates starting in February

- 9) E-Board – Pat Manning, Glenn Glazer
  - i. Gave tag team summary of the eboard shenanigans
- 10) Legislative – Clint Bonds/Stacey Falls
  - i. Discussion of how to support rail/trail, will work with PR committee to publish an op ed
- 11) Voter Reg/Engagement – Keith Gudger and Rene Bloch
  - i. Nothing until March

VIII. Chartered Club Reports- **Please keep all reports to 2-minutes**

- 1) College Democrats at UCSC – Edward Estrada
  - i. Zannon: elected new executive board, looking at redistricting and voter reg
- 2) Democratic Club of North Santa Cruz County– Maryann Clare
  - i. No report.
- 3) Democratic Women’s Club – Molly Regan
  - i. On Saturday, October 30, at 10AM the DWC will offer a forum on County Redistricting and City District Elections. Panel members will include: County Clerk Tricia Weber; City Attorney Tony Condotti; Ralph Dimarucut, Principal Management Analyst; Santa Cruz Councilmember Sandy Brown; and former Mayor David Terrazas.
  - ii. The DWC’s November program will focus on domestic violence with speakers and logistics still being finalized.
- 4) MCDC – Barry Scott
  - i. Looking at Watsonville endorsement
  - ii. Discussions around LAFCO, next up is AMBAG.
  - iii. See attachments.
- 5) PVCCDC – Ray Cancino
  - i. Celeste: writing a letter to the editor on the rail issue.
- 6) People’s Democratic Club- Franco Picarella
  - i. Having heard Vanessa-Quiroz Carter's presentations to both the DCC and the Mid County Democratic Club, representing the PDC, I invited Vanessa to present herself to the PDC for our possible endorsement in her campaign for the vacant Watsonville City Council seat. Vanessa spoke to our members via zoom at our membership meeting on October 14th. Unfortunately, I wasn't able to attend the meeting because of a work commitment, but was told that she was very favorably received. However, due to a low membership turnout and lack of enough time notification, a formal endorsement wasn't made. At this time we are considering having a special meeting and vote by email.
  - ii. Other issues under consideration were the ballot measure to dedicate 20% of cannabis generated sales tax to child development programs, and an initiative to tax homes that are vacant for more than four months of the year.

IX. Allied Group Reports - **Please keep all reports to 2-minutes**

- 1) Region 7 – Omar Torres
  - i. Health note (Glenn) – Scooped by Andrew in the chair’s report
- 2) CDP Rural Caucus – Glenn Glazer
  - i. No report
- 3) Housing Action Network – Diana Alfaro
  - i. Draft subjective standards coming out.
  - ii. \$12M has been allocated for disaster recovery
  - iii. Many new projects coming
  - iv. AMBAG has released RENA guidelines, draft numbers for Santa Cruz County now available
  - v. Cynthia spoke to the initiative against the mixed use project and plans for the development going forward.
- 4) Labor – Glen Schaller
  - i. Continuing work on COVID outreach project
  - ii. Press conference on cancer causing pesticides and children
  - iii. Helped with rail demonstration
  - iv. Preparing for next spring’s endorsement process
- 5) Swing Left – Rene Bloch
  - i. Calling voters in Virginia Wednesdays 1PM and Saturdays 10AM. Special GOTV schedule October 30th through election day. Lots of great conversations using the autodialer. Especially need Spanish speakers. Virginia is a must win.
  - ii. Completed 4 letter writing parties to get out the Virginia vote.
  - iii. Josh Harder fundraiser was a big success. We reached our goal of raising \$20,000 early money. Stanislaus County voted for the recall so we are going to need substantial focus on this district next year. It will take everyone’s support to keep the House.
  - iv. Fundraiser for Central Valley Dia De Gracias will be Thursday November 18th 5PM. supporting the Dolores Huerta Foundation, Valley Voices, and Valley Forward all based in CA 21. Three speakers will share the realities of the Central Valley. Covid, redistricting and more. Please send me an email if you are able to make a matching pledge.

[Details and event RSVP](#)

X. Public Comment and Announcements

- 1) Shaw: Resigning as Sen. Laird’s staffer

- 2) Adam: Cabrillo Name Change Exploration has a survey now: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CabrilloNameExp-FA21> , more details: <https://www.cabrillo.edu/governing-board/name-exploration-subcommittee/>
- 3) Rafa: November 10<sup>th</sup> is the AMBAG meeting to select RENA methodology. Still time advocate for low income house.

XI. Adjournment in memory of Bill Mathews 2113

**Next E-board Meeting: November 10th, 2021 6:30pm Next General Meeting: November 24th, 2021 7:00p**