

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

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February 22nd, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order –Chair Andrew Goldenkranz at 1903
- II. Attendance and Welcome Visitors – Introductions
 - 1) Land Acknowledgment - Andrew
- III. Agenda Changes
 - 1) Moved Rivas to next month.
- IV. District 5 open seat election – Andrew
 - 1) Nominations
 - i. Glenn nominated Rae Spencer-Hill, seconded by Adele.
 - ii. Lara Triona nominated by Lara Triona
 - 2) Speeches (90 secs), Rae then Lara. Lara rescinded her nomination during her speech due to a mistaking the SCCDCC for the DCNSCC.
 - 3) Tony moves, Glenn seconded to move by acclamation. Passed.
 - 4) Rae, Gabriella and Dean sworn in. Gabriella is Cynthia’s new alternate, Dean is Keith’s.
- V. Approval of Minutes
 - 1) M/S/P (Joe/Leslie). Passed by acclamation.
- VI. Old Business
 - 1) None.
- VII. New Business
 - 1) Speaker: Assemblymember Rob Rivas
 - i. Rain Check. Moved to next month.
 - 2) DSCC election – five seats.
 - i. Existing delegates are: Akin, Andrew, Pat, Coco, Gigi, Glenn, Gwen, Joe Hill, Edward, Rene
 - ii. Nominations: Lani, Bodie, Rae, Rafa, Celeste
 - iii. M/S/P (Tony/Glenn)
 - 3) Officer slate and election
 - i. Eboard slate: Andrew (chair), Jenni (vice-chair), Keith (treasurer), Glenn (secretary)
 - ii. M/S/P (Glenn/Adam)
 - 4) Muwekma Ohlone Resolution (Lou)
 - i. Speeches by Lou and Tribal Chair Charlene Nijmeh
 - ii. Passed by acclamation.
- VIII. DCC Reports – **Please keep all reports to 2-minutes**
 - 1) Chair – Andrew Goldenkranz
 - i. Overview of Wisconsin Supreme Court going to a run-off.
 - ii. Cynthia is under the weather, we will send her a get well card.
 - iii. One of the obligations of members is to support our efforts: pay dues and join committees.
 - 2) Vice Chair – Jenni Veitch-Olson
 - i. Gave a brief bio, first SCCDCC vice-chair from Watsonville.
 - 3) Treasurer – Keith Gudger
 - i. Gave Treasurer’s report, see uploaded file.
 - 4) Secretary – Glenn Glazer
 - i. Usual upkeep.
 - ii. We are missing a number of alternates, especially among the electeds.
 - 5) Ways and Means – Akin Babatola and Leslie Steiner
 - i. Thanked the clubs, DWC, DCNSCC, and PVCCC for bringing in members to the gala.
 - ii. Reviewed some of the auction items.
 - iii. Gigi: asked about the Unite Here donation. Andrew and Glen provided the backstory.
 - 6) Communications – Gigi Kelbert and Tony Russomanno
 - i. Will put rules of engagement for asking Communications to promote things on social media on groups.io.
 - ii. Clubs please provide information for the website to keep the website up to date.
 - 7) Events – Coco Raner-Walter and Diana Alfaro
 - i. Not present
 - 8) E-Board – Pat Manning, Glenn Glazer
 - i. No report
 - 9) Legislative –Stacey Falls

- i. The first comes from Adam. It is support for Cabrillo College's application to the state for housing funds. The resolution is attached as a pdf. Here is a quick summary:
 - 1. The state set aside \$750 million for housing for colleges: community colleges, CSUs and UCs. 50% is supposed to go to community colleges. Cabrillo applied for 6.8 million for a 300 bed set of units, but they didn't get the full funding. They got \$241k. They used that money for an EIR in preparation for a stronger grant. They are now in partnership with UCSC who will contribute \$70 million in order to build a 624 bed unit, but the construction will likely be over \$120 million. Cabrillo is asking the state to contribute the shortfall. Adam wants us to sign on to a general letter of support to our state reps and the folks who are making the allocation decisions.
 - ii. Next, the legislative committee is supporting a bill that Andrew introduced to us, SB252, fossil fuel divestment from STRS and PERS (L. Gonzales. We are recommending that the DCC support this bill with Andrew writing the letter of support. Here is a fact sheet we were looking at.
https://sd33.senate.ca.gov/sites/sd33.senate.ca.gov/files/sb_252_the_fossil_fuel_divestment_act_fact_sheet.pdf
 - iii. Finally is the social housing resolution that Clayton emailed about earlier in the week. The resolution is here, https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rxqypaj4gygZRHrtv2P-35VC2XGfg60zatuPOz_-Peg/edit?usp=sharing .
 - iv. Moved the above Stacey/Leslie . i and iii passed by acclamation.
 - 1. ii pulled from consent, passed with Cindy Jaconette abstaining.
- 10) Voter Reg/Engagement – Keith Gudger and Rene Bloch.
 - i. No report.

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

- 1) College Democrats at UCSC – Laz Meiman
 - i. Bodie: They had a meet and greet with Keeley today.
 - ii. Still meeting Friday at 1500.
- 2) Democratic Club of North Santa Cruz County– Monica Martinez
 - i. Last meeting had McPherson as the guest speaker on county wide emergency and recovery efforts. Meeting video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=teZS_j3aYvI&t=897s
 - ii. March meeting with Gail Pellerin on the 7th.
- 3) Democratic Women’s Club – Cindy Jaconette
 - i. The topic of our February program February 25, 10:00am is Central Coast Community Energy (3CE), your local, community-owned electricity provider. Zoom link will be relased closer to the event, Look for it in the Chat at the DCC meeting.
 - ii. Climate Change and Our Community – A Conversation About Personal Action and Hope event. Thursday, March 16. 5:00pm-8:00pm, Horticulture Building @ Cabrillo College. Speakers include Sen. John Laird, Dr. Gary Griggs, Sarah Newkirk, Sacha Lozano, Dr. Tiffany Wise West, Alex Yasbek, Felicia Van Stolk, Justin Cummings, and Bella Bonner 5-6 pm: Resource Fair and Food; 6-8pm: Speakers and panel discussion. EventBrite Sign Ups required by March 6. Information coming soon.
- 4) MCDC – Denise Elerick
 - i. March 9th meeting by Zoom, Marcus Zindel will be their guest.
 - ii. Kate Minott is their new vice-chair.
- 5) PVCCDC – Celeste Gutierrez
 - i. No report.
- 6) People’s Democratic Club- Franco Picarella
 - i. Glen: Special meeting tomorrow night to discuss upcoming fundraiser.

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

- 1) Region 7 – Omar Torres
- 2) CDP Rural Caucus – Glenn Glazer
 - i. No report
- 3) Labor – Glen Schaller
 - i. MBCLC having an in-person dinner at Asilomar in mid-May.
- 4) Swing Left – Rene Bloch
 - i. Calling Wisconsin voters for the crucial Wisconsin Supreme Court election starts Wednesday, February 22nd 3:30PM (before our meeting). Letter writing is also available. This election will determine court majority. Court will determine the legality of Wisconsin's ultra-gerrymandered legislative and Congressional districts for 2024. They will also determine legality of 1849 law prohibiting abortion in almost all circumstances. Here is the [RSVP](#) for calling voters.
- 5) Housing Santa Cruz County – Diana Alfaro
 - i. Not present. Rafa reported out on a few items:
 - ii. Downtown library project planning meeting tomorrow with a recommendation vote: <https://ecm.cityofsantacruz.com/OnBaseAgendaOnline/Meetings/Search?dropid=4&mtids=117> .
 - iii. All four cities and the county are preparing our Housing Element. This is going to be a heavy lift.

- iv. Adam: The Planning Commission is being asked to make a recommendation to the City to approve the final steps and then it moves on to the City Council. Urge them to move the project forward. The community needs this, now. Share your support of the full project and what it can mean for the community. The email for the Planning Commission is cityplanning@cityofsantacruz.com. The Zoom link and additional information can be found here: <https://www.cityofsantacruz.com/government/city-departments/planning-and-community-development/public-hearing-bodies-commissions/planning-commission?emci=5ff6d422-f3b2-ed11-a8e0-00224832e811&emdi=77486f0c-f8b2-ed11-a8e0-00224832e811&ceid=214846>
- v. Affordable Housing Month kicks off May 6th at the College Formerly Known as Cabrillo
 1. Linda: groups wanting to join the event should contact Housing Santa Cruz before mid-April.

XI. Public Comment and Announcements

- 1) Edward: In other housing news, the county will conduct the Point-In-Time count tomorrow morning (count of people experiencing homelessness in the county on this one date, used to track data and determine funding for people experiencing homelessness). We'll have people going out at 5am in the rain/possible snow (me included, wish me luck! hoping it isn't *too* bad up in Boulder Creek where I'm heading)
- 2) Adam: Name Change survey extended: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NameSuggestionSurvey_Jan2023 trying for more diverse age groups participating.
- 3) Adam: Will be holding a ceremony at the Watsonville center to appoint a replacement for Felipe.
- 4) Glenn: Wood giveaway on my street, take all you want.
- 5) Lou: De Anza College Vasconcellos Institute for Democracy In Action (VIDA): <https://www.deanza.edu/vida/>. Amah Mutsun Tribal Chair Lopez and Muwekma Ohlone Tribal Chair Nijmeh will be presenting at "Day of Remembrance: Working Towards Reparative Justice". Part 2, titled "Plunder, Settler Colonialism, and Restorative Justice: From the Philippines to Palestine, to Indigenous Land in Northern California", will be on Monday, March 6, 2023. It will be from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Zoom: <https://fhda-edu.zoom.us/j/4965395064?from=addon>
- 6) Glen: Progressive/Labor ADEM Slates won 12 of 14 in two districts and 14 of 14 in the third.

XII. Adjournment 2053

Next E-board Meeting: March 8th, 2023 6:30pm Next General Meeting: March 22nd, 2023 7:00p