

Santa Cruz County Democratic Central Committee
General Meeting Agenda
VIRTUAL

January 24th, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

- I. Call to Order –Chair Andrew Goldenkranz at 1903
- II. Attendance and Welcome Visitors – Introductions
 - 1) Land Acknowledgment – Andrew
 - 2) Attendance:
 - i. See supplemental voting results
- III. Agenda Changes
 - 1) Keith: Approval of Rae as Assistant Treasurer as a new Item 1 under New Business.
 - i. Agendized without dissent.
- IV. Approval of Minutes
 - 1) M/S/P Unanimously
- V. Old Business
 - 1) None
- VI. New Business
 - 1) Vote to approve Rae as Assistant Treasurer.
 - i. Approved by acclamation.
 - 2) Ceasefire Resolution (Andrew)
 - i. Andrew reviewed the rules of debate set for this item.
 - ii. Cyndi was given five minutes to speak.
 - iii. There were numerous DCC speakers for yea and nay.
 - iv. Adele proposed an amendment to add a number of clauses regarding Hamas.
 1. Cyndi accepted adding “, release of all hostages” after “de-escalation” in resolved clause (1), but not the rest of the amendment.
 - v. The rest of the amendment was debated and voted, failing to pass 8-18-1.
 - vi. Glenn proposed adding “bilateral” after each occurrence of “permanent” (third whereas and first resolved clauses).
 1. Cyndi accepted this as a friendly amendment.
 - vii. Adam proposed adding “and our congressional delegation” after “Biden administration” in both resolved clauses.
 1. Cyndi accepted this as a friendly amendment.
 - viii. Debate continued and Glenn called the question, which passed.
 - ix. Vote on the main motion passed 24-3-0
 - x. Final text:
 1. WHEREAS all human life is precious, and the targeting of civilians, no matter their faith or ethnicity, is a violation of international humanitarian law;
 2. WHEREAS, since October 7, 2023, armed violence has claimed the lives of thousands of Palestinians and Israelis, including Americans, and wounded thousands more;
 3. WHEREAS the Federal Government holds immense diplomatic power to save Israeli and Palestinian lives and hundreds thousands of lives are at imminent risk if a permanent bilateral cease-fire is not achieved and humanitarian aid delivered without delay;
 4. NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED, That the Santa Cruz County Democratic Central Committee
 5. (1) urges the Biden administration and our congressional delegation to immediately call for and facilitate de-escalation, release of all hostages and a permanent sustainable bilateral cease-fire to urgently end the current violence; and
 6. (2) calls upon the Biden administration and our congressional delegation to promptly send and facilitate the entry of humanitarian assistance for civilians in Gaza.
- VII. DCC Reports – **Please keep all reports to 2-minutes**
 - 1) Chair – Andrew Goldenkranz
 - i. Thanked everyone who came out to the MLK parade.
 - ii. Thanked everyone who participated tonight in a civil discourse about a difficult subject.
 - 2) Vice Chair – Jenni Veitch-Olson
 - i. No report.
 - 3) Treasurer – Keith Gudger
 - i. Shared Treasurer’s Report. Income is in excess of expected and the only expense that is in excess of expected are the credit card fees that match the increased income.
 - 4) Secretary – Glenn Glazer
 - i. Stated that he will share detailed voting results with the minutes.
 - 5) Ways and Means – Akin Babatola and Leslie Steiner
 - i. No subcommittee meeting over the last several months.
 - ii. Plans are continuing in progress for the March fundraiser
 - 6) Communications – Gigi Kelbert and Tony Russomanno
 - i. No report.
 - 7) Events – Diana Alfaro
 - i. Plans are in progress for an election watch party event at DCC HQ.
 - 8) E-Board – Rene Bloch, Glenn Glazer
 - i. Next Eboard is May 17-19, 2024 in Anaheim.
 - ii. Organizing committee is hiring staffers.

- 9) Legislative –Stacey Falls
 - i. Presented the three legislative ideas they want to discuss with local legislators (see group archives for these in email).
 - ii. Discussion around ideas and the timeliness of getting this done before legislation starts.
 - iii. Glenn moved that the Legislative Committee be authorized to speak on behalf of the Committee on these three matters.
 1. M/S/P without dissent.
 - 10) Voter Reg/Engagement – Keith Gudger and Rene Bloch
 - i. No report
- VIII. Chartered Club Reports- **Please keep all reports to 2-minutes**
- 1) College Democrats at UCSC – Kameron Tessier
 - i. I promised that I would update you all with my membership experiences at the state convention back in November. Since I haven't seen most of the DCC members since before the convention, with the exception of the folks I saw at the holiday parade, now is a great time to update. Because of the DCC, we were able to bring a delegation of 7 folks from the College Democrats, including three freshmen. The freshmen were thrilled that in their first quarter of their college education, they got to attend the democratic convention as well as meet all three leading candidates for senate. For all of us on the trip, it was incredible to be under the same roof as so many young democrats looking to get involved has been motivating for us all.
 - ii. Other than that, we have been meeting with candidates running for local office as well as current electeds as part of our endorsement process. We have currently endorsed Joe Thompson, Joy Schendledecker, and Measures K and L. We are still working on other endorsements. College Democrats have also been working to help get Joe Thompson elected to the city council, with quite a few of us joining the official campaign staff. We are ramping up efforts to get out the vote on the UCSC campus so that Joe can get elected. Finally, we also had a great time marching in the holiday parade alongside the DCC and local candidates and really appreciate the opportunity!
 - 2) Democratic Club of North Santa Cruz County– Monica Martinez (Lara)
 - i. We had our endorsement meeting and endorsed Monica Martinez for Supervisor and Yes on Measure K.
 - ii. Next meeting will be John Laird speaking on future propositions and legislative priorities.
 - 3) Democratic Women's Club – Cindy Jaconette
 - i. Will be having an Inspire Her event to celebrate women in Santa Cruz. Details to follow.
 - 4) MDCD – Denise Elerick
 - i. Not present
 - 5) PVCCDC – Cyndi Valdez
 - i. PVCCDC endorsed the following measures:
 1. Measure K
 2. Measure N
 - ii. The club has endorsed the following individuals for the Democratic Central Committee:
 1. Celeste Gutierrez
 2. Jenni Veitch-Olson
 - iii. PVCCDC passed a Ceasefire Resolution
 - iv. The Club will be sponsoring table at the DCC table in March for club members
 - 6) People's Democratic Club- Franco Picarella
 - i. Not present.
- IX. Allied Group Reports - **Please keep all reports to 2-minutes**
- 1) Region 9 – Dominic Dursa
 - i. Expressed admiration for the civility of our discussion earlier as compared to some DCCs that yell and scream at each other.
 - ii. Announced the opening of DNC District Level Delegate applications. Form here: <https://delegateapplication.com/home> .
 - iii. Announced that the next regional meeting will be hybrid from San Luis Obispo, but will return to the Santa Cruz area before next summer.
 - 2) CDP Rural Caucus – Glenn Glazer
 - i. Caucus has formed a working committee to explore creating a parallel chartered organization.,
 - 3) Labor – TBD
 - i. Andrew mentioned that there should be a new MBCLC political director soon.
 - 4) Swing Left – Rene Bloch
 - i. Phonebanking and other opportunities are still available, supporting Democratic candidates in various places.
 - 5) Housing Santa Cruz County – Tim Willoughby
 - i. No report.
- X. Public Comment and Announcements
- 1) None
- XI. Adjournment 2146

Next E-board Meeting: February 14th, 2023 6:30pm Next General Meeting: February 28th, 2023 7:00p