

New Members

Paschal Iwuh Kathy King Olga Smith Florent Wamba Mofo

Renewing Members

Anita Roberts Bonnie Tucker

MCDC General Meeting Minutes (draft) June 9, 2024

- 1. Call to Order
 - a. The meeting was called to order at 2:10 PM
- 2. Agenda Review and April Meeting Minutes
 - a. The agenda was approved by acclimation
- 3. Approve Minutes of the April Executive Board Meeting
 - a. Approve Minutes: By acclimation
- 4. Announcements:
 - a. Carolina recognized former President Shannon Skinner and presented her with a commemorative clock with plaque suitable gift of the clubs appreciation.
 - b. Linda Smith announced that is invited to join she and Don after the meeting for an early dinner at Jalisco's Restaurant located at 8335 Brentwood Blvd
 - C. Carolina reminded the club of the effort that field workers undertook during the fire season several years ago. When most folks sheltered indoors, the local farm workers still had to go work out in the fields for minimal pay. Hijas del Campo was formed to help farmworkers and are collecting school supplies including backpacks notebook, pens etc. drop at Wanna Waffle

5. Carolina Villaseca – President

- a. Celebration of Life for Willy Mims proponent of equity and opportunity for BIPOC (Black Indigenous people of color). One of his final requests was that we try to get student educational. He asked that we try and get Shanelle Scales Preston elected to County Board of Supervisors.
- b. Mark DeSaulnier said he would be coming to visit our club. He said we could send him a list of who DPCCC and MCDC endorses. We hope he might also endorse the same candidates. Has agreed to endorse our candidates this time around
- c. Loki Mulholland who wrote directed and produced the documentary "Dying to Vote: willing to come and do a Sunday Zoom. The exec bd agreed to August 11th to show the film, which will be in lieu of a scheduled guest.

6. Ian Cohen – Vice President

- a. June: Peggy O'Neal, Founder, Unite for Democracy, Inc.
- b. July and September through November are currently open.
- c. August: Loki Mulholland via Zoom.
- d. December Accomplishment party!

e. If you have a person who would like to come and speak (speaker aligns with democratic values and the goals of the club) to our club, please contact Ian Cohen at (510) 650-6444 or via email: ianscohen@hotmail.com

7. Membership – Elinor Bell, Co-Chair (report below, not in attendance)

- a. Membership stats: 90 as of June 4, 2024; renewal and 4 new members.
- b. Outreach efforts: Looking for volunteers to improve outreach efforts beyond the Supporters/Members list and Farmers Market.
- c. Continue to update interest forms Looking for volunteers to improve outreach efforts beyond the Supporters/Members list and Farmers Market.

8. Voter Outreach: Linda Smith

- a. Postcard/Letter Writing for Swing States starting NOW
 - i) We have done **4200** "get out the vote" postcard/letters for the November election. To be mailed in October.
 - ii) Currently preparing GOTV postcards for Nevada November ballot.
 - iii) Letter Writing for November Elections in the Swing States of Arizona, Georgia, Michigan, Nevada, North Carolina, Wisconsin, and Pennsylvania has begun. Letters are due October 1, 2024.
 - iv) Postcard/Letter Writing Parties will be held on the following Wednesdays: June 19th, July 3rd, July 31, Aug 14, and 28th. 10am to 12pm
 - v) Contact Linda at lismithtech@gmail.com for an appointment to make a postcard sample or to pick up letters.
- b. Farmer's Market Help staff our booth on Saturdays from 8 am to 12 noon at the corner of 1st and Oak in front of Bank of America. Email marshCreekDems@gmail.com to volunteer.

9. Webmaster – Joe Ely

a. Joe is working with Bill Nussbaum to update the website with the authoritarian piece put together by the Issues Committee

10. Social Justice - Ray Cole, Chair

- a. Finishing the book reports.
- b. Will likely focus on homelessness or criminal justice property crimes, and Prop 1. Open to suggestions from the board as well.

11. Issues and Legislation - Bill Nusbaum, Chair

- a. Meetings are held via Zoom on the first Saturday of the month at 11:30 am. Prepared 3 new papers, immigration, autocracy and the one on crime is still in the works.
- b. The next meeting is Saturday, July 6th, 11:30 a.m. If interested in joining, email Bill Nusbaum at billnusbaum13@gmail.com.

12. DPCCC District 3 Update - Carolina Villaseca, DPCCC District 3 Director

13. Carolina Villaseca, Chair of Publications and Social Media Committee no new news 14. Swing Left – Doug McClelland

a. 2300 letters printed. Another meeting at the wine bar at Trilogy this coming week. Spent the week in Sparks, Reno canvassing. 40 out-of-state volunteers participated in the process in Sparks. Knocked on a total of 2800 doors!