

Tuesday 4/1/08 Meeting Minutes: Club Business and The REST of the June 3rd Primary Ballot

- 1. Lauren Wechsler called the meeting to order at 7pm.
- 2. We made the front page of the Potrero View for our State Senate Debate.

You can see the issue at http://www.potreroview.net/PV_April_08.pdf. Congratulations - our contributions to the community are being recognized!

- 3. The minutes from the March 4th meeting (a transcript of the debate) and the minutes from the February 5th meeting (primary watch) were approved.
- 4. Financial report: as of March 26th 2008 was \$2149.24. From February to March we collected \$660 of membership dues.
- 5. Nomination of Barbara Schrader as club Treasurer, 2nd and no other nominations. Barbara Schrader elected treasurer by acclamation.
- 6. Amendments to Bylaws
 - a. Initially the membership of the club was confused why the item was on the agenda. The exec staff said it was because of confusion in the past especially in regard to the use of the club membership list.
 - b. It was decided that the discussion of actual proposed amendments will occur at the May 6th meeting and voted on in the June 3rd meeting.
 - c. Proposed ideas for amendments
 - We should define how to properly handle the termination of the club, what is the process and where does the balance of the treasury go after the club has ended. (proposed by Rachel Schapira)

ii. We should define specifically what club business requires a quorum.

(proposed by Rachel Schapira)

iii. We should define that the membership list, directly or indirectly, should never be used by club officers or members for non-club approved activities. This includes marketing of goods, services, political candidates, state and city propositions, or anything else that is not directly club business.

(proposed by Patrick Doyle)

- iv. We should define a way for the membership to approve communication to the members for a particular candidate if a certain percentage of the membership approves (like 30%).
- v. We should have a method for taking immediate actions (an escape clause) to add a non agenda item at the next meeting.
 (proposed by Jim Wachob)
- vi. The Bylaws shall be amended to read, at the end of Article III, "Membership shall commence immediately upon payment of dues. The membership list shall be available only to Officers of the Club, and to the Democratic Party as necessary for chartering. The list shall not be made available to the general public, and it is not to be used for any purpose other than official Club business."

 (proposed by Joni Eisen)
- 7. Rachel Schapira spoke about the need for the club to get people in our district to vote! Only one third of the population in our district votes. Less that the rest of the city and too low to be a representative democracy. We need to change this and it's up to us to change it.

Give a few hours of your time to volunteer for our voter registration program.

Ruth brought up that we need to be strategic and think about demographics!

- 8. The **YES on A** speaker, Dennis Kelly started as the first speaker at 7:20.
- 9. For the details of the speakers, refer to the audio and photos page.
- 10. The meeting ending just before 9pm.