

Tuesday July 7th 2009 Meeting Minutes:

Guest Speakers: Don Bechler - Chair, Single-Payer Now; Justin Davis M.D. - Potrero Hill primary care physician; Catherine Dodd, RN - Mayor Newsom's Deputy Chief of Staff overseeing Health; Linda Leu - Northern California Regional Organizer, Health Access; volunteer organizer, Organizing for America (formerly Obama for America)

Moderator: DeWitt Lacy, VP Potrero Hill Democratic Club

- 1. Joni Eisen called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.
- 2. The agenda and June 2009 minutes were approved.
- 3. Officer Reports:
 - Treasurer Pat Cleveland broke down the current state of the Club's finances:

For June:

In: \$183.23 (\$138.23 membership; \$45 T-Shirts)

Out: \$222.68 (\$15 Website Blue Utopia; \$57.68 2-months of misc meeting expenses; \$150 the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House rental for meetings for 6 months)

\$802.39 balance

(also note; the T-Shirt account is \$156 in the red)

- Membership Rachel Schapira talked about the membership party on Saturday July 25th we're holding at Dewitt's place. Rachel asked the membership to try and think of items we can get from local merchants for donation for the event's silent auction.
- 4. **Discussion Panel:** National Health Care Reform

Don Bechler – Chair, Single-Payer Now

Justin Davis, M.D. – Potrero Hill primary-care physician

Catherine Dodd, RN – Mayor Newsom's Deputy Chief of Staff overseeing Health, Human Services, Aging Services and Children Youth and Family Services

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The panel discussion opened up to questions for all panelists from the membership. Full Audio of the event can be found on the website: http://www.phdemclub.org/index.php?page=display&id=124

5. **Next meeting August 4th** - Topic: San Francisco Assessor-Recorder Phil Ting on "Closing the Loophole" in Prop 13: Property tax reform initiative(s). Other topics TBA.

Quint King, Secretary