

## **Tuesday September 1st 2009 Meeting Minutes:**

- 1. Joni Eisen called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.
- 2. No officer reports were made in this meeting due to the time contraints of an endorsement meeting.
- 3. **Endorsement speakers** for the NOVEMBER 3, 2009 Municipal Election:

David Noyola YES on A (Budget Process)
Bill Barnes NO on A

Jake McGoldrick YES on B ( Delete requirement for 2 aides for each Supervisor ) Howard Epstein NO on B

Nicolas King YES on C (Candlestick Park Naming Rights)
Ian Fletcher NO on C

David Addington, Dee Dee Workman, David Addington YES on D ( Mid-Market Special Sign District )
Ian Fletcher NO on D

Jake McGoldrick YES on E ( *Limiting* Advertisements on City Property )
Joni Eisen ( reading ballot arguement from SF Chamber of Commerce ) NO on E

José Cisneros for re-election to City Treasurer (running unopposed) Dennis Herrera for re-election to City Attorney (running unopposed)

Full audio of the speakers: <a href="http://www.phdemclub.org/?page\_id=872">http://www.phdemclub.org/?page\_id=872</a>

5. **Featured Speaker: Alan Dechert on Open Source Voting** The current touch screen voting systems are controlled by large corporations like Diebold and ES&S that claim "trade secrets" when private citizens want to find out how their votes are actually counted. This lack of transparency leads to a lack of voter confidence in the voting system, which in turn risks the validity of our elections. Also, many of the early electronic voting machines produced no paper trail that can be audited. The Open Voting Solution stops secrecy in vote tabulation, provides a paper trail, is scientifically verifiable, saves money, is multi-lingual, and is handicap accessible.

The Open Voting Consortium is able to draw on the huge open-source software

development community of our area. Please come to a house party to show your support this Friday September 4th 7pm - 9pm at Eric Smith's home ( RSVP 415-441-8640 ).

For more information visit the Open Voting Consortium at <a href="http://www.openvoting.org/">http://www.openvoting.org/</a>.

## 6. Announcements:

- On the back of tonight's endorsement ballot is the "Public Option Health Care Resolution", please read and consider
- RALLY for Health Care Reform: Weds Sept 2nd 5pm 7pm at Civic Center at the steps of City Hall
- "Potrero Hill's Hidden Gems" Garden Tour tickets for sale, available at Farley's (1315 18th Street) or contact Joni. More info: <a href="http://www.friendssfpl.org/?Event&id=180">http://www.friendssfpl.org/?Event&id=180</a>
- Tabling for the CA Fair Elections Act at Power to the Peaceful Sat Sept 12th GG Park <a href="http://powertothepeaceful.org/?page\_id=54">http://powertothepeaceful.org/?page\_id=54</a>

## 7. Next meeting October 6th - Topic: TBD

Quint King, Secretary