

March 2, 2010 Meeting Minutes

1. Joni Eisen called the meeting to order at approximately 7:10 pm.
2. The agenda and minutes from the Feb '10 meeting were approved.
3. Officer Reports:

Membership: Joni Eisen reported that there are a total of 85 members; 1/2 of which have renewed as of meeting

Finance: Pat Cleveland reported that this past month we had \$530 in income from memberships, \$35 for meeting expenses, and \$2082 in the bank.

4. Program:

A) India Basin Shoreline: Community Vision. Kristine Enea from the India Basin Neighborhood Association presented the group's proposed redevelopment vision of India Basin. Her proposal included:

I) The IBNA seeks to find a balance between: residential and commercial zoning along with open space and a shore that is accessible to everyone.

II) The IBNA seeks to create more open space in south east San Francisco, an area that currently has little open space.

III) Additional information can be found at www.indiabasin.org

B) Attorney General Candidates:

I) Liz Larder spoke on behalf of Chris Kelly

a) Mr. Kelly has been active in the Democratic Party since college

b) Mr. Kelly's credentials include combination of experience in: law, public policy and business.

II) Chris Cunnie spoke on behalf of Kamala Harris (speaker appeared out of order)

a) Ms. Harris advocates not only being "tough on crime" but "smart on crime"

b) Ms. Harris hopes to be an innovative, inclusive and communicative AG.

C) Judicial Forum: Introduction given by SF City Attorney Dennis Herrera explaining that judges must make decision on law not politics and the importance of an independent judiciary to a functioning. Candidates were introduced by PHDC 1st VP DeWitt Lacy, and the forum was moderated by 2nd VP Bill Barnes.

The following candidates participated in a panel discussion: Linda Colfax (colfaxforjudge.com), Harry Dorfman (www.dorfmanforjudge.com), Roderick McLeod*, and Robert Retana*, Dan Dean (dandeanforjudge.com), Michael Nava (navaforjudge.com), and Richard Ulmer (incumbent; www.judgerichardulmer2010.com).

All candidates explained their own qualifications, philosophies that would guide them on the bench and reasons for running. Candidates also discussed what, if any, procedural changes they would like to see made to our judiciary system.

* PHDC was unable to find a website.

5. Endorsements: Club members submitted ballots for phdc endorsements for: Attorney General and Judicial Seats 6 and 15. Club endorsed:

- A) California Attorney General: KAMALA HARRIS
- B) Superior Court Judge, Seat 6: No Position
- C) Superior Court Judge, Seat 15: MICHAEL NAVA

Next meeting Apr 6 – the rest of the endorsements for the June 8, 2010 Primary Election. State & local ballot measures. The Club has already endorsed YES on statewide Proposition 15, the CA Fair Elections Act.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Schapira, Secretary