

**Minutes of the Potrero Hill Democratic Club  
August 2, 2011**

1. The meeting of the Potrero Hill Democratic Club (the “PHDC”) was held at the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House on August 2, 2011.
2. Joni Eisen called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm local time.
3. The agenda for the August meeting and the minutes of the June 7, 2011 meeting of the PHDC were approved by acclamation.
4. Monisha Mustapha delivered the Political Action Report. The PHDC registered voters and solicited California DISCLOSE Act signatures at (i) the Sunday Streets event held on Potrero Hill and in the Bayview on June 12, 2011, (ii) the SF Mime Troupe event held in Dolores Park on July 4, 2011, and (iii) the Stern Grove Festival held on July 31, 2011. Ms. Mustapha then presented Ms. Eisen with an award from the Potrero Boosters Association.
5. Hilary Cohen delivered the Treasurer’s Report. As of August 2, 2011, the PHDC had \$1786.78 in funds.
6. The PHDC hosted a program on the future of the Sharp Park Golf Course. The following participants presented their views of the environmental concerns and restoration alternatives for the park:
  - Dawn Kamalanathan, Capital Division Director, SF Recreation & Parks
  - Neal Desai, Pacific Region Associate Director, National Parks Conservancy
  - Michelle Myers, Conservation Program Manager, Sierra Club SF Bay Area Chapter

The participants answered questions, and a lively discussion followed. A motion was made to support the Sierra Club SF Bay Area Chapter’s position on the redevelopment of Sharpe Park. The motion was seconded. After discussion, a motion was made and seconded to table the motion. The motion to table passed on a 13 to 2 vote.

7. Tom Gallagher, representing Progressive Democrats of America, discussed HR 780, the Responsible End to the War in Afghanistan Act, a bill presented in the Congress by Rep. Barbara Lee, supporting the withdrawal of all members of the armed forces from Afghanistan. Mr. Gallaher presented a “Resolution on Afghanistan Exit Strategy” of support for HR 780 to the PHDC. Upon a duly seconded motion and a vote of 16 to 0, the PHDC voted to adopt said Resolution.
8. Ms. Eisen then discussed the PHDC Membership Party, to be held August 14, 2011, at The Bottom of the Hill. Sign-up sheets for the potluck, the solicitation of donations and setup of the event were circulated.

9. Ms. Eisen then presented a sponsorship opportunity for the 2011 Potrero Hill Festival to be held on October 15, 2011. For \$300, the PHDC would receive logo placement on event signage, mention from the stage, and 2 tickets to the New Orleans Brunch (which tickets will be auctioned at the Membership Party). Upon a duly seconded motion, the membership of the PHDC voted 14 to 0 to sponsor the 2011 Potrero Hill Festival.
10. Ms. Eisen announced that District 10 Supervisor Malia Cohen, who was scheduled to give her periodic City Hall update to the PHDC, was unable to attend the meeting due to a family emergency.
11. Announcements:
  - On Sunday, August 14, 2011, from 2:00 to 5:00 pm, the Third Annual Members Party and “Shop Local” Silent Auction will be held at the Bottom of the Hill, 1233 17th Street.
  - On Tuesday, August 30, 2011, from 6:30 – 9:00 pm, the PHDC and Potrero Boosters Association will sponsor a Mayoral Candidate Debate at the International Studies Academy, 655 De Haro Street. Tony Kelly, President of the Potrero Boosters Neighborhood Association and member of the PHDC, will moderate.
  - On Tuesday, September 6, 2011, at 6:30, the PHDC will host a District Attorney Candidate Forum. The forum will be moderated by J.R. Eppler, Secretary of the PHDC. Following the forum, the candidates for Sheriff will speak and take questions. At the end of the meeting, the PHDC will vote on endorsements for Mayor, District Attorney and Sheriff. The meeting will be held at the Neighborhood House.
  - On Tuesday, September 13, 2011, the PHDC will hold a meeting to hear speakers discuss the November ballot measures. At the end of the meeting, the PHDC will vote on endorsements for the ballot measures. The meeting will be held at the Neighborhood House.
12. There being no further business before the PHDC, Ms. Eisen announced that the next regular meeting would take place on September 6, 2011, and, at 8:44 pm, adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
J.R. Eppler, Secretary