

Minutes of the Regular Meeting Potrero Hill Democratic Club January 8, 2013

1. The regular meeting of the Potrero Hill Democratic Club (the “Club”) was held at the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House on January 8, 2013.
 2. Joni Eisen, President of the Club, called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm local time.
 3. The Club, at Ms. Eisen’s request, approved by affirmation the minutes of the December 4, 2012, meeting of the Club. The Club further approved by affirmation the agenda for the current meeting without amendment. Ms. Eisen announced that a quorum (twelve voting members) had been achieved.
 4. Ms. Eisen then moved to old business.
 - At the December 4, 2012 meeting of the Club, Ms. Eisen presented two proposed amendments to the Club’s Bylaws. Both amendments, having been duly moved and seconded, were up for discussion and vote at the January meeting. The first proposed amendment to the Bylaws would create the two positions of “Officer At-Large” on the Executive Committee, which such officer shall attend monthly Executive Committee meetings and participate in planning Club meetings and other activities. After a discussion, Ms. Eisen called for a vote on the proposed amendment. Eight members voted in favor of the amendment, one member opposed the amendment, and three members abstained from voting; the amendment passed.
 - The second proposed amendment to the Club Bylaws clarified the voting process for endorsements, specifying in relevant part that “[e]ndorsement requires gaining 60% or more of the votes cast by Regular members present and members voting by absentee ballot.” The proposed amendment passed on a vote of twelve members in favor and no members opposing or abstaining. Ms. Eisen verified that votes on propositions and ballot measures would include a “no endorsement” option in the future.
 5. Ms. Eisen then moved on to new business, and called for the nomination of officers for 2013. Nominations were as follows:
 - Joni Eisen, President
 - Monisha Mustapha, First Vice President and Chair of Membership
 - Mike Maffei, Second Vice President and Chair of Political Action (pending Mr. Maffei’s acceptance of the nomination)
 - J.R. Eppler, Secretary
 - Hilary Cohen, Treasurer
 - Maulik Shah, Officer At-Large
 - Bob Boileau, Officer At-Large
 - John O’Neill, Webmaster
- Members will have an opportunity to make additional nominations at the next regular meeting of the Club.
6. The Club then participated in a program entitled “Can Actions Speak Louder than Money.”
 - First, Ms. Eisen, as the Coordinator of the San Francisco Working Group of the California Clean Money Campaign, presented on that group’s efforts to pass the new version of a campaign finance disclosure law. Ms. Eisen reported that the Senate Bill 52, to inform voters who specifically is really paying for political ads, had been introduced recently by Senators Leno and Hill. A member of the Club moved that the Club endorse Senate Bill 52; such

motion was duly seconded. The Club voted to endorse Senate Bill 52 with twelve members in favor of the motion and no members against the motion.

- Helen Grieco, the Northern California Organizer for California Common Cause, presented on the political action that would take place on the third anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *Citizens United*. Ms. Grieco encouraged the Club to participate in her group's action at the Chevron refinery in Richmond on January 19.
- Kierith Jones, a Volunteer Leader with the Presidential Inaugural Committee, presented on the National Day of Service observed on the weekend of observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday. She encouraged the Club to participate in a Habitat for Humanity event taking place in Daly City on January 19th.

7. Ms. Eisen then announced that:

- The election of delegates to the 2013 and 2014 California State Democratic Convention for the 17th Assembly District would take place at the African American Arts and Cultural Center (762 Fulton) from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm on January 12;
- On January 16, the Noe Valley Democratic Club would host David Binder, a research consultant to the Obama campaign, who would discuss the research and psychology behind the campaign's messaging (7:30 pm, St. Phillips Church at 725 Diamond);
- Tickets, at \$50 per person, were available for the Inauguration and MLK Jr. Day Breakfast and Celebration on January 21, hosted by the San Francisco Democratic Party and the San Francisco Labor Counsel, at the West Bay Conference Center at 1290 Fillmore; and
- The San Francisco Planning Commission would hold a hearing and vote on the demolition of the Concourse Exhibition Center at 1:00 pm on January 24 at City Hall Room 400.

8. Ms. Eisen then opened to floor for additional announcements. Angelique Mahan from the Southern District Neighborhoods Committee introduced herself and her organization to the Club, thanking the Club for inspiring her (at its World Café – style meeting December 4th) to organize in her own neighborhood.

9. Ms. Eisen announced that the next meeting of the Club would take place on February 5, 2013. Then, there being no further business before the Club, Ms. Eisen adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
J.R. Eppler, Secretary