

Minutes of the Regular Meeting Potrero Hill Democratic Club Held March 5, 2013

1. The regular meeting of the Potrero Hill Democratic Club (the “Club”) was held at the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House on March 5, 2013.
2. Joni Eisen, President of the Club, called the meeting to order at 6:57 pm local time.
3. The Club, at Ms. Eisen’s request, approved by affirmation the minutes of the February 7, 2013, meeting of the Club. The Club further approved by affirmation the agenda for the current meeting without amendment.
4. Ms. Eisen then introduced the program for the meeting . The following panelists participated in a discussion entitled “Saving City College:”
 - Inder Grewal, of the Save CCSF Coalition, a City College of San Francisco student and Participatory Governance Council Coordinator.
 - Rafael Mandelman, a Trustee of the City College of San Francisco.
 - Steve Ngo, a Trustee of the City College of San Francisco.
 - Rodger Scott, of the Save CCSF Coalition, a professor in the City College of San Francisco Department of Transitional Studies.

Officers of the Club moderated the discussion; Club members submitted questions to be asked of the panelists.

5. Ms. Eisen then excused the panelists so that the Club could discuss the issues raised in the program. The members of the Club debated how the Club could best support the City College of San Francisco. Upon vote of seven members in favor and five members abstaining, a motion, which had been duly made and seconded, was approved to support the “Rally to Save City College,” to be held March 14 at City Hall, and to encourage Club members and neighbors to attend the rally. Hilary Cohen volunteered to serve as a liaison to the City College of San Francisco and to keep the Club updated on any developments related thereto.
6. Officer reports were then given. Monisha Mustapha, the First Vice President and Chair of the Membership Committee, announced that the Club had 49 members, four of which were new. Bob Boileau reported that he had volunteered to make phone calls to Democratic voters on Potrero Hill to solicit new Club members and asked that other Club members participate. Ms. Eisen reported on her attendance at the San Francisco Democratic County Central Commission meeting, where a resolution she submitted in support of the California DISCLOSE Act was passed, as well as a resolution on gun violence, and voter registration at naturalization ceremonies was discussed.
7. Ms. Eisen then turned to old business. She and Ms. Mustapha reported on Ms. Mustapha’s op-ed piece regarding the March 5 gun control program hosted by the Club, which was published in the current issue of the Potrero View. They also encouraged Club members to contact their representatives, whether at the local, state or national level, to express support for gun control legislation. Ms. Eisen informed the Club of the following California DISCLOSE Act events:
 - The Bay Area Campaign Kickoff on March 9 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Unitarian Universalist Church located at 505 E. Charleston Road in Palo Alto.
 - Sunday Streets Tabling on March 10, from noon to 3:00 pm across the street from the Ferry Building.
 - A Meeting of the San Francisco Working Group on March 16 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm at the Potrero Branch Library.
 - A possible Lobbying Day at the Senate Election Committee on April 2 at the State Capitol.

8. Ms. Eisen next made announcements. A sign-up sheet was passed for volunteers to table in support of the DISCLOSE Act and register voters at Sunday Streets.
9. Ms. Eisen announced that the next meeting of the Club would take place on April 2, 2013, with a topic to be determined. There being no further business before the Club, Ms. Eisen adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
J.R. Eppler, Acting Secretary