



## Harvey Milk Democratic Club

General Membership Meeting

April 15, 2014

Chair: Laura Thomas

7:00 pm – 9:00pm

- I) Sue Englander
  - a. Renaming of part of Turk St to Vicki Marlane
    - i. On the agenda to come before the board of supervisors April 22. This will be the first transgender street naming in SF and probably the nation.
    - ii. Remember our roots
    - iii. June 25<sup>th</sup> Dedication
- II) June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Third Annual Howard Grayson Conference
  - a. Get up to speed on what growing old means so you can prepare for a happy healthy elder hood
- III) Alex Walker, PAC Update
  - a. PAC voted to sign onto a letter to Rec and Park requesting soccer field construction contracts not be approved
  - b. Voted to endorse AB 1517, Re: Untested Rap Kits
  - c. Campos phone banking went great
- IV) Max, Transgender Law Center, AB 1266
  - a. Since the passage, schools are making changes to improve the quality of life for trans students
  - b. Effort to oppose law by ballot failed
  - c. Respect After Death Act, trans death certificates marked with appropriate gender

### **Motion to support Respect After Death Act passes unanimously**

- V) Jamie Wolfe, Running for San Francisco Board of Education

### **Endorsement of Jamie Wolfe for the Board of Education passes unanimously**



- VI) Keith Baraka, SF Firefighter
  - a. Castro Station 6 Homophobic Atmosphere
  - b. Left after 11 years to join Station 21, a more accepting and diverse station
  - c. Steps are being taken and LGBT Commissioner was recently appointed - Kim Cleveland

**Motion to send a letter iterating goals for a tolerant and inclusive SF firefighter organization passes unanimously**

- VII) Just Causes, Gentrification Impact Report
  - a. Defined gentrification and details neighborhoods at risk
  - b. Illustrates root causes and addresses steps to move forward
  - c. Prioritizing the needs of people over profit
- VIII) Anti-Displacement Coalition
  - a. Tenant Conventions October through February
  - b. Increase in visibility of crises resulted in greater public activism and legislation passed
  - c. Rally Planned, Act Now Our Cities Our Homes April 26 12-3 in front of City Hall
  - d. Anti-speculation tax, increasing fees the sooner a property is sold after being bought
- IX) Maxine AB 1517
  - a. Nancy Skinner's legislation to turn over all rap test kits within five days to a lab and offer results to the state's DNA database within thirty days
    - i. Currently in appropriations, investigation into current backlog of kits

**Motion to support AB1517 and issue a letter in support**

- X) Connor, Leg Aide for Supervisor Breed
  - a. Affirmative action in higher education
  - b. Prop 209 says state universities cannot consider race or ethnicity
    - i. Disproportionately low African American and Latino population in higher education
  - c. Diverse student bodies benefit everyone
  - d. Resolution of support unanimously for SCA5???
    - i. Not a quote bill

**Motion to officially support SCA5 passes unanimously**



PAC Endorsements  
Sat March 18.docx

Motion to adjourn