



Political Action Committee

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 14, 2015

7:00 - 9:00pm

LGBT Community Center

1800 Market Street, 3rd Floor

- 1. PAC Meeting was called to order by Mahnani Clay (VP Political/PAC Chair) at 7:07.**
- 2. Black Lives Matter Update (Sgt. Yulanda Williams – President of Officers for Justice)**
 - a. Sgt. Williams has bravely stepped up to lead the charge demanding law enforcement accountability in San Francisco.
 - b. She spoke about the history of Officers for Justice, including the consent decree that gave rise to their power, the poorly negotiated end to the consent decree, and the response to the Text-gate controversy within SFPD.
 - c. She requested for Club members to show up on Wednesday nights at 5:30 for Police Commission meetings to force accountability for the SFPD.
 - d. Officer Marquita Booth (President of SFPD Pride Alliance) also briefly spoke on racism, sexism, and homophobia within the SFPD.
- 3. #VOTE16SF Panel Discussion (Jose-Luis Mejia – Transitional Age Youth San Francisco, Joshua Cardenas – San Francisco Youth Commissioner – District 11, Adele Carpenter – Director of San Francisco Youth Commission, Caitlin Paul – Generation Citizen, Angel VanStark – Campaign for a Presidential Youth Council)**
 - a. Spoke on origins of the movement and rationale for lowering the voting age.
 - b. Discussed ways to support civic education and engagement that should supplement lowering the voting age.
 - c. Emphasized the importance of individual agency for youth and representation in our democratic decision-making.
 - d. Answered specific critiques of lowering the voting age.

- e. Sups. Avalos, Mar, Campos, Kim, and Yee currently support. Mayor has not taken a position yet. Several Board of Education members are open or supportive, including Matt Haney.
- f. Campaign is still deciding whether to put on ballot in 2015 or 2016.

4. Sup. Scott Wiener's Potential Ballot Measure Reform (Tim Hester)

- a. Sup. Wiener is proposing "stabilizing" the number of signatures required for ballot measures, which would decidedly increase the number of signatures required (currently requires 5% of last Mayor's Race turnout).
- b. Potential proposal would also try to curtail June ballot measures by introducing a 30-day review process to delay them.
- c. Potential proposal must be introduced by 3rd Tuesday in May, and it hasn't been introduced yet. Tim Hester will keep the Club apprised of any movement on this measure.

5. Grayson LGBT Elder Life Conference Announcement (Kevin Bard)

- a. Conference is focused on saving LGBT senior citizens
- b. Taking place at the Harvey Milk Community Center this Saturday.

6. Upcoming in April

- a. Milk Club Tabling in D3, Saturday, 11am – 3pm
- b. Sunday, April 19th – Barney Frank speaking at Norse Theatre, with Milk Club member discounts
- c. General Membership Meeting on April 21st
- d. Happy Hour, April 22nd, Last Drink at the Lex; holding fundraiser for CUAV
- e. Tenants Rights Fair, April 25th; Tenderloin School, 10am – 4pm
- f. Clean Power SF Rally with Sierra Club, April 28th, City Hall at noon
- g. Tech Panel, April 29th, SF LGBT Community Center, 7-9pm

7. Meeting adjourned at 9:10.