General Membership

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

7:00 - 9:00pm

The Women’s Building

3543 18th Street, 2nd Floor

1. The General Membership Meeting was called to order by Mahnani Clay (VP Political/PAC Chair) at 7:15.

2. PAC Update (Mahnani Clay)
   a. #Vote16SF Panel: represented voices of youth, SF Youth Commission, and community leaders who work with SF youth.
   b. Black Lives Executive Leadership: Sgt. Yulanda Williams spoke on ways Club could support her work within the SFPD.
   c. Tim Hester spoke on Sup. Scott Wiener pushing a ballot initiative suppression measure.
   d. No votes were taken at the April PAC Meeting.

3. Late Night Transportation Working Group Update (Tom Temprano and Nick Josefowitz – BART Board)
   a. SFYD hosted a late-night transit panel last week, including Tom Temprano.
   b. A working Group is developing recommendations for Bay Area transit agencies on late night transportation.
   c. This is an issue of workers’ rights primarily.
   d. Director Josefowitz introducing resolution that directs BART staff to provide solutions for how BART can run late-night trains. It will lead to a study with recommending solutions around two buckets: 1) infrastructure upgrades necessary and 2) maintenance process improvements.
      i. Going before the BART Board on Thursday at 5pm in Oakland
      ii. Email boardofdirectors@bart.gov

   e. BART Pilot Program: Transit pass for SF State students.

A motion was made by Tom Temprano for the Milk Club to send a letter of support of Dir. Josefowitz’ resolution to the BART Board. The motion was seconded by Nathaniel Owen. The motion passed with unanimous support.
i. 69 higher ed institutions in SF, Alameda, and San Mateo counties; every student at institution could buy into a discount pull with Fast Pass and then every student could get discounted rides; current pilot at SF State because 30% of students are BART riders.

f. BART Art Policy Proposal: Turn BART stations into places of art through place-making.
   i. Devote 2% of visible capital projects to art and devote 1% of non-visible capital projects to art.

g. #BlackFriday14: Compromise measure of the BART Board to dismiss fines but still refer for criminal charges to DA
   i. This was reached through consensus between more progressive BART board members and more conservatives board members from the East Bay.

4. Michael Lyon (Medicare California)
   a. He spoke on behalf of a resolution to support the “Medicare Turns 50 Celebration”

   A motion was made by Laura Thomas for the Milk Club to sign on to support the resolution. The motion was seconded by Carmen Simon. The motion was passed with 9 ayes, 0 nays, and 1 abstention.

5. Angel VanStark
   a. He spoke on the envisioning the future of the LGBT movement.
   b. How do we move queer movement into intersectionality?
   c. Proposing monthly town halls to explore the future of the movement.
      i. First topic: do we want to identify as LGBT anymore?
      ii. Video component: accepting casting from diverse queer perspectives and experiences

6. John Caldera – Veterans Affairs Commission
   a. He is asking the Rules Committee to allow for his re-appointment
   b. He is asking the Club to send a letter to the Rules Committee in favor of John’s re-appointment.

   A motion was made by Laura Thomas in support of the Milk Club sending a letter of support to the Rules Committee for John Caldera’s re-appointment on the Veterans Affairs Commission. The motion was seconded by Nathaniel Owen. The motion was passed with unanimous support.

7. Thea Selby – Vice President of City College SF Board of Trustees
   a. Howard Grayson Conference Panel – Harvey Milk Recreation Center, 50 Scott Street, this Saturday, April 25 at 2pm.
   b. City College Update: 7th and final member appointed (Alex Randolph) last week; by July 1st the board will have powers back.
   c. SF Transit Riders Union: Gave Mayor and Board of Supervisors a 22-day Muni challenge; starts June 1
i. Sups. Campos, Avalos, Kim, Wiener, Christensen, and Mar have signed on to the challenge.

ii. The hashtag for the challenge is #OnBoardSF.

8. Club Updates – (Katy Birnbaum – VP Internal, Carmen Simon – Milk Club Board Member)
   a. Wednesday, April 22 – Hump Day with Harvey – Last Drink at the Lex
      i. Raffle for CUAV
      ii. 6:30 – 9:30 at Lexington Club
   b. Saturday, April 25 – SF Tenants Rights Fair 2015
      i. Sponsored by SF Anti-Displacement Coalition
      ii. 10am – 4pm at Tenderloin Neighborhood School, 627 Turk Street
   c. Tuesday, April 28 – Earth Day CleanPower SF Rally
      i. 1:30 at City Hall
   d. Wednesday, April 29 – SF Tech, Queers, and Progressives Panel
      i. 7 – 9 at LGBT Center, Rainbow Room
   e. Thursday, April 23 – Planning Commission Meeting
      i. Resolution by Sup. Farrell and supported by Mayor Lee: toothless Airbnb regulation
      ii. We need progressives to be counterweight at the meeting.
      iii. 3pm at City Hall, Room 400

9. New Business
   a. Mahnani Clay – Project CHEER; expanding on May 1
   b. Angel VanStark – True Colors Fund
      i. Youth Homelessness Fund – April 29

10. The meeting was adjourned at 9:07.