



May 19, 2020 (virtual) General Membership Meeting

Draft Agenda:

- 1) A discussion on eblast-gate.
 - What will come out of the eblast? Are tent cities the compromise? Is that enough?
 - Made clear that we are working towards improving communications protocol.
- 2) The nomination of **Kaylah Williams** to Co-President.
 - Tabled for next month
 - Updated process for nomination. Email the President to ask
- 3) PAC Update.
- 4) Harvey's Birthday Update.
- 5) Discussion with **Joe Eskenazi** on City Hall scandals.
- 6) New Business.

Meeting Minutes:

1. Discussion of E-blastgate
 - a. **Kevin Bard** brings up the controversial eblast email from two weeks ago which caused quite a stir
 - b. Generally agreed that the wording/delivery was inappropriate but that the intent was great.
 - c. Mayor **London Breed** still hasn't delivered in housing the homeless population in hotels.
 - d. Opportunistic for **Scott Weiner** to call out the club for our email eblast when he done so little to remedy homelessness
 - e. The club has taken action to prevent a similar incident from happening in the future.
2. Nomination of **Kaylah Williams** as co-president
 - a. Brings up that we are holding off on nomination of other board seats for now
 - b. Issues with technology is part of the issue
 - c. We don't yet have a good process to allow for private votes
 - d. Will be voted on at the next GM

3. Pac update

- a. Pac meeting discussed the upcoming nominations.
- b. Last Pac meeting we had a panel focused on queer leadership in the past. Fabulous discussion.
- c. Charter amendment update; from “vote 16” and the “commissions for all”.
- d. One motion passed was in support of the effort to put the commissions for all initiative on the November ballot.
- e. Passed a motion to support the effort to stop use of natural gas in new developments.
- f. We are doing a phone bank for **Jackie Fielder**
- g. Putting together a panel on labour rights and leadership coming up on June 2nd from 7-8pm
- h. Legislative update
- i. *A motion was made for the club to support the back-to-work legislation on the board from **Gordon Mar**. motion was passed without objection*
 - i. If you were laid off, if/when your employer is able to rehire they have to hire you back. It's based on seniority
 - ii. Rights to be offered a similar position if your former position is no longer available
 - iii. Provision requiring the pay to be the same and a family care hardship to provide compensation for childcare.
 - iv. Will last 60 days, but working to expand the measure for 2 years.
 - v. Not a ballot measure, but at the board.

4. Update from VP E&F

- a. Virtual event for Harvey Milks Birthday on May 22nd. 5:30

5. **Joe Ashkeanzi** discussion on the Nuru-Breed Scandal

- a. Nuru was arrested in January twice;
 - i. Long running investigation into wiretapping
 - ii. Said he wouldn't talk about fight club and Nicky Bovis
 - iii. A Chinese billionaire developer was giving him favours
 - iv. Lots of leads to follow
 - v. Nick Bovis and Mohammad Nuhru have long been known to have shady business dealings.
 - vi. Nuru paid for \$5,600 to repairs to London Breeds car,
 - vii. Covid-19 had take attention away from the scandal but it's still being investigated
 - viii. Nick Bovis has pleaded guilty to charges he's been accused of.
 - ix. There was a slush fund for various parties, including public works department parties.
 - x. Rodrigo Santos scandal. No connection to the Nuru Scandal. But connection to Dennis Richard exists. Sued department of building inspection.
 - xi. How did \$1000 to supervisor **Asha Safai** end up in Rodrigo Santos bank account?

- xii. **Asha Safai** is in real estate, and Rodrigo Santos issued it to Safai but may have kept it.
- xiii. **Walter Wong** and his connections...
- xiv. Department of building inspection is weirdly tribal between Irish American and Chinese American.
- xv. San Francisco Politics thrives on backslapping familiarity.
- xvi. Would recommend the LA Times as a reliable and fair news source.
- xvii. Public records have been disregarded during the pandemic.
- xviii. **London Breeds** Pride float briefly discussed.

6. New business

- a. Legislation to decriminalize sex work is being worked on with Supervisor **Ronen's** office during the pandemic. Sting operations have continued despite the shelter in place ordinance.
- b. It's a draft resolution.

7. New business.

- a. "Workforce education and recovery fund" for city college. It's a set-aside of \$20 million to fund city college. \$27 million dollar cut from state budget this season for education.
- b. The creation of the office of public advocate was on the agenda at the BOS today.
- c. *A motion was made to support the workforce and education and recovery fund ballot measure to get it on the ballot, to help city college. Passed without objection.*
- d. *A motion was made by Peter Golatta to endorse the effort to create the charter amendment to support getting the office of public advocate on the ballot. Passed without objection.*
- e. *A motion was made to support the vote 16 ballot measure on the ballot. Passed without objection.*

Meeting adjourned