



January 19, 2021 General Membership Meeting

## Minutes

1. Pac chair update from Edward
  - a. We held a virtual rally in solidarity of removing trump with a bunch of unions and democratic clubs
  - b. We also held a pac meeting on January 12th
    - i. Welcomed president of the BOS Shamann Walton, Connie Chan, Aliya Chisti and Alan Wong
    - ii. We passed 2 motions
      1. "The expulsion of all members of congress who voted against Bidens confirmation"
      2. "The expulsion of California assemblyman Randy Voepel of San Diego who incited violence.
      3. A motion was made to vote for both.
      4. Taken without objection
  - c. We also had a little reclamation of Hibernia Beach in tribute to Ken Jones as well as other recent dearly departed activists
    - i. We were covered in ebar and hoodline
2. Myrna Melgar
  - a. Was anticlimactic first few days due to everything being virtual
  - b. Has a strong group of women working for her
  - c. Was assigned to Land Use committee
  - d. Once we reopen schools, things wont go back to normal.
    - i. Is working on legislation with Ronen to push for the community school model; where youths and family can come together and make schools better at addressing students and parents needs; using state and local funding. Bring down class sizes.

- ii. The legislation will be to have a working group to make this happen for 5 years.
    - iii. Then see how to make this model sustainable in the long term
  - e. Background is in city planning and is happy to work with Peskin and Preston
    - i. District is fairly conservative
    - ii. Focused on transit and getting rid of exclusionary zoning.
    - iii. Was many peoples second choice.
    - iv. How can we as a city better use evidence based interventions to address mental health problems. How do make these service more accessible.
    - v. Will do more to support department of children youth and families.
    - vi. Supervisor Preston moved to extend the eviction moratorium until September. We need federal funding relief to come
  - f. Would favour decrimiaizing sex work
  - g. Approve more market rate housing?
    - i. Depends on where and what the context is.
    - ii. Would prefer all new housing to be affordable
    - iii. We need affordable source of housing
    - iv. Public housing as well
  - h. Making sure small businesses, hospitality and arts are able to recovery is important.

### 3. Matt Alexander

- a. Has been an sfusd teach and principal
- b. School Board is an amazing group of people
- c. Wants to hear what we would like to see from the school board.
- d. Has spent 9 hours in labour negotiated close doors meetings since being on the board in discussing the issue of reopening.

### 4. Nominations

- a. Raya Steier for Recorder
- b. Seamus McGeever
- c. Nomvula O'meara
- d. Alvin Lee
  - i. Was working in tech, but wanted to go into organizing
  - ii. Worked for Bernie Sanders campaign
  - iii. Wired for John Avalos
  - iv. Will miss Kevin
- e. Michael Rouppet
  - i. Grew up in the Bay Area, in SF since 1992
  - ii. Involved with Actup and queernation
  - iii. Was homeless for 3 years
- f. Kurti Wu
  - i. Did organizing with Sf public bank
  - ii. Organized tenants on the westside

- iii. Deepen the the level of engagement
  - g. Lee Hepner Pac seat 1
    - i. Has been involved with the club for years
    - ii. Been involved especially after the 2008 crash
    - iii. Will be working with Jackie on Pac chair
  - h. VP Internal Brad Chapin
    - i. Jerry Fenske
      - i. Grew up in Wisconsin
      - ii. Moved to Houston and got involved there.
      - iii. Moved here 4 years ago.
      - iv. Was treasurer for the Houston lgbt democratic caucus
      - v. Is a professional dweep
    - j. Jeffrey Kwong VP events
      - i. Wants to expands funding
    - k. VP political Jackie Thronhill
      - i. Was an intern at usf and volunteered for Jane Kim for state senate
      - ii. Now works at the department of emergency management
      - iii. Been on the board for 2ish years
      - iv. Has already worked on events
      - v. Was the one who organized to make sure we didn't take money from Juul for the gala
      - vi. Was instrumental in organizing to oppose a lot of themayros bad appointments
    - l. Reid Coggins VP internal affairs
      - i. Been on the board for internal affairs
      - ii. Explains what VP internal does
      - iii. Online website development and expanding membership.
    - m. Presidents
      - i. Kaylah Williams with Kevin Bard, running with Edward
      - ii. Edward is running. Has big shoes to fill. Is excited about 2021 because we'll not be bogged down by elections but also to work on legislation. Direct action and mutual action, and lobbying and legislating works, member empowerment.
- 5. Open comment
- 6. Open-seat nominations
  - a. There are 3 nominations
  - b. Joe Adkins is nominated
    - i. Joe accepts
  - c. Jasper Wilde is nominated by Kaylah Williams
    - i. Jasper accepts
  - d. Luca Mineo Marinello is nominated
    - i. Luca accepts
    - ii. PHD candidate, interned for Peskin, worked for Connie Chan.
    - iii. Interested in using data for social justice

7. Milk club membership retreat
  - a. 2021 community planning
  - b. Wants to really include all members
    - i. 4 areas of planning
  - c. Advocacy and lobbying
  - d. Community service
  - e. Direct action
  - f. Coalition building
8. Coordination of the board
  - a. Internal team
    - i. Vp internal
    - ii. Correspondent
    - iii. Recorder
    - iv. Eboard internal
  - b. Political team
    - i. Vp political affairs
    - ii. Eboard political
    - iii. Eboard outreach
    - iv. Eboard organizing
  - c. Events and fundraising team
    - i. Vp events and fundraising
    - ii. Eboard events and fundraising seat 1
    - iii. Events and fundraising seat 2
    - iv. Treasurer
9. Community service survey
  - a. Joe Adkins reminds us to take the survey
  - b. Shannon Bolt brings up advocacy around safe consumption sites
  - c. Brad brings up that mental health problem and suicide are rampant right now.
10. Joe Adkins brings up that some mutual aid options require money
  - a. Are there funds that we could use for that?
  - b. Jackie mentions that the gayla this year could help fund mutual aid projects
11. New business
  - a. Castro surveillance CBD update from Lee Hepner
  - b. Castro CBD is sending out survey that's very slanted towards the CBD to get the cameras