

San Francisco Democratic County Central Committee  
450 Golden Gate Avenue  
Milton Marks Auditorium  
Draft Minutes of May 25, 2011

1. Roll Call began at 7:15 p.m.

Present: David Campos, Gabriel Haaland Bill Fazio, Hene Kelly, Melanie Nutter, Sandra Fewer, Michael Goldstein , Jane Morrison, Milton Marks, Aaron Peskin, Alix Rosenthal, Arlo Hale Smith, Debra Walker, Scott Wiener, Dianne Feinstein (proxy George Broder, Leland Yee (proxy Larry Yee), Fiona Ma (proxy Jason Wong), Tom Ammiano (proxy Kim Shree-Maufus), , Gavin Newsom (proxy John Sanley), Kamala Harris (proxy Matthew Rothschild), Mark Leno (proxy Keith Baraka)

Excused with Proxy: John Avalos (proxy Hene Kelly) David Chiu (proxy Alix Rosenthal), Rafael Mandelman (proxy Leah Pimentel), Eric Mar (proxy Chris Gembinski),

Excused without Proxy: Tom Hsieh, Mary Jung, Leslie Katz, Connie O'Connor, Carole Migden, Eric Quezada, Jackie Speier, Nancy Pelosi

DCCC Chair Aaron Peskin called the meeting to order at 7:18 p.m. and commented how pleased we were to have Milton Marks in attendance after his long absence.

Arrived after Roll Call: David Chiu (his proxy to Alix Rosenthal arrived at 7:50 p.m.), Gavin Newsom (proxy John Shanley 8:30 pm)

2. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved without objection.

3. Approval of April 27, 2011, minutes

Motion to approve the draft minutes of April 27, 2011. (This passed without objection.)

4. Presentation by Mayoral Candidate Leland Yee

State Senator Leland Yee presented.

4A. Presentation Mayoral Candidate Michela Alioto-Pier

Former Supervisor Michela Alioto-Pier presented.

4B. Presentation by Candidate for Sheriff Ross Mirkarimi

Supervisor Ross Mirkarimi presented

5. Public Comment

Susan Pfeiffer, Organizing for America, made comments.

6. Chartering of the Arts Democratic Democratic Club (Goldstein)

Michael Goldstein brought forward chartering of the Arts Democratic Club and indicated that they were qualified for chartering and that he had checked the signatures. Peskin announced that their check in the amount of \$20.00 had been received. Goldstein said

that Debra Walker was the President. Broder asked if they would endorse non-democrats. Goldstein answered that they would not.

Moved by Goldstein to charter the Arts Democratic Club, seconded by Walker. There was no discussion and the motion passed without objection.

7. Discussion regarding "Top Two" run-off system (Smith) After the discussion, Chairman Peskin proposed consideration of appointing a committee to further study the implications of "Top Two" and deferred this matter to the next meeting. Smith, Walker, and Kelly volunteered.

8. Proposed bylaw change to increase endorsement threshold to 60% (Newsom)

After discussion, the vote was 20 against, 4 in favor and one abstention as follows:

No: Avalos, Campos, Chiu, Fewer, Goldstein, Haaland, Kelly, Mandelman, Mar, Marks, Morrison, Nutter, Peskin, Rosenthal, Walker, Wiener, Harris, Yee, Leno, Ammiano

Yes: Fazio, Smith, Newsom, Feinstein

Abstain: Ma

#### 9. Reports

• 9A. Chair's report (Peskin)

Peskin thanked Emily Lowe for her work on the upcoming June 6 fundraiser and stated that the DCCC had \$25,000 in pledges of which \$14,000 had been received. Peskin also announced that John Burton would be our guest speaker on June 6. Peskin announced that former member, Gerry Crowley, would be honored by the Democratic Women's Forum on June 11 and encouraged people to attend.

• 9B. Executive Director's Report (Lowe)

Lowe announced the office is looking for interns. Lowe said that she was re-starting the bounty program.

• 9C. Treasurer's Report (Rosenthal)

Rosenthal handed out the balance sheet and profit and loss statement and reported there is \$19,000 in the account and thanked Chair Peskin for his fundraising work. (\$7,600 in federal account and \$11,500 in state account)

• 9D. Fundraising Report (Nutter)

Nutter had no new news to report

#### 10. New Business

Milton Marks asked that an item regarding the Committee's policies regarding rules of chartered democratic clubs be calendared.

#### 11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.