

**APPROVED**

**CORONADO DEMOCRATIC CLUB GENERAL MEETING**

**February 23, 2022, 7:00 p.m.**

**In Person at the Winn Room, Coronado Public Library**

1. **Call to Order** - by President Susan Marrinan at 7:00 pm
2. **Moment of Silence** – President Susan Marrinan spoke regarding the current COVID numbers in San Diego.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** - led by President Susan Marrinan and Vice President Brian Trotier
4. **Approval of the Agenda** – approved as presented.
5. **Introduction of Elected Officials and Candidates**
  - Whitney Antrim, CUSD School Board Trustee, spoke of the issues facing the CUSD school board. She states she is available for anyone who wants to reach out to her. Our schools are doing well even though there have been distractions. There will be four open seats on the school board in November 2022. We need people to run for school board. She shared the book, School: The Story of American Public Education, as a resource.
  - Alexia Palacios-Peters, candidate for CUSD School Board, spoke regarding her candidacy, what is happening at the school board currently, and the need for civility at the board and in board meetings.
  - Shaina Tiger spoke on behalf of Congressman Scott Peters. She is here to collect signatures to get him on the ballot.
  - Adam Schindler, candidate for the 50<sup>th</sup> district for Congress, is a scientist running on behalf of the everyday people. He states we need new people in our primary elections.
6. **Program** – An Evening with a Friend – meet Tina Friend, Coronado’s new city manager
  - Vice President Brian Trotier introduced Coronado City Manager Tina Friend. She updated the group about Coronado and how we are doing. We are on a rebound right now, and time will tell if it sticks to be a true recovery economically. There is opportunity to build partnerships regarding the sea level rise. With regards to the Tijuana Sewage issue, she took a tour and saw the amount of debris and sewage that comes down. It is an environmental disaster. She is pleased that there is movement on this issue, our congressional delegation is strong on this issue – including Congressmen Peters and Vargas. There is a suicide deterrent project and this is under the environmental review project. Then it will go to design – it is a 15 ft mesh railing and goes underneath the bridge. Major capital projects include: a) Coronado Ave project, Parker Pump station new stormwater and sewage pump, \$18M; b) projects in the Cays; c) wastewater maintenance; d) water recycling plant for the golf course instead of potable water; e) undergrounding projects

around town. In recreation, there is the Cays park master plan process and Winn Room project. She then took questions from the audience.

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8. **Approval of Minutes of January 29, 2022** – approved as distributed

9. **Treasurer’s Report** – presented by Patrick Callahan

- Our total assets are \$5,979.50. Expenses last month was \$4,565.41.

10. **Standing and Special Committee Reports**

- Membership team – President Susan Marrinan presented we have 243 members.
- Nominating committee - Judy Bambace presented that the nominee for President is Marelly Ramirez. Bill Seager is nominated for Vice President. Voting will be at the Blue Wave Brunch. An email will go out to explain how the election will occur.
- Hospitality – presented by President Susan Marrinan. The Blue Wave Brunch is on March 19, 2022. There are a few seats left, so please buy your tickets. The link to purchase tickets is in the newsletter. Congressman Scott Peters will be the speaker. Toni Atkins and Terra Lawson-Remer will be present.

11. **No unfinished business**

12. **New business** – presented by President Susan Marrinan

- Vice President Brian Trotier is our softball coach. The Battle of the Bay softball tournament is coming up, date TBD in April or May 2022. Contact Brian Trotier if you are interested in playing.
- On March 12, 2022, at 10:30 am, there will be training in the Winn Room by the SD Democratic party GO team. Ways of canvassing has changed due to the pandemic. If you are interested in getting trained, please attend. Everyone is encouraged to sign up in advance.

13. **Announcements** – president Susan Marrinan thank the pre-endorsement delegates for their work.

14. **Meeting adjourned** at 8:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Alexia Palacios-Peters, Secretary