

**CORONADO DEMOCRATIC CLUB
SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING
MINUTES
10 September 2022**

I. Call to Order by President Marely Ramirez at 11:13 a.m.

Marely thanked everyone for their patience as we set up our live stream for the first time today.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Dawn Richards

II. Adoption of the Agenda – Approved as amended to move the Program portion to follow immediately after the Adoption of the Agenda, allowing candidates to leave promptly as needed to attend other commitments.

Susan Marrinan moved to approve the amended agenda, and the motion was seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

III. Program – Brian Trotier

Thanks to Rebecca and Marely, the program was streamed live to the Club's YouTube channel and recorded for future reference. Candidates for countywide office had 3 minutes each to introduce themselves.

Assessor:

- Jordan Marks, Chief Deputy Assessor-Recorder-Clerk
- Barbara Bry
 - Democratic party endorsed candidate for San Diego Assessor-Recorder-Clerk
 - Served on Board of Planned Parenthood
 - On City Council, first for an independent audit of Ash Street proposal/contract and water department

Judicial Races:

For Superior Court Judge No. 35

- Rebecca Kantor
 - Assistant US Attorney in San Diego

- UCLA School of Law
- Both civil and criminal background, came to SD to become a federal prosecutor
- Civil Rights Coordinator in her office and an Ethics Advisor
- Outside the office, volunteer judge pro tem
- Boards: Lawyers Club, Women's Bar Association, Reproductive Rights Committee of the WBA
- Endorsed by 34 current and former judges, elected leaders
- Mike Murphy
 - SD native from Chula Vista
 - USD School of Law
 - Trial work in our Superior Courts since 1995. First trial in front of Susan Marrinan (Judge Finley). Currently a prosecutor.
 - Also does appellate work in California Court of Appeal and California Supreme Court

For Superior Court Judge Office 36

- Peter Singer
 - Current Commissioner of the Superior Court - criminal infraction court
 - Background in civil litigation, during which he represented many clients with mental illness in involuntary medication cases
 - Broad mix of criminal and civil experience
 - Pro tem judge for 22 years, full time as Commissioner 7 years
 - President of the CA Court Commissioners' Association
- Representative for Pete Murray, Patricia Leahy, read a statement from Mr. Murray, who had a prior commitment today.
 - Placed first in June primary
 - Graduate of Duke University, undergraduate and law
 - Former Naval Aviator
 - Has been an attorney in CA for 31 years
 - Deputy District Attorney for 12 years
 - CA Deputy Attorney General for over 10 years
 - Also had his first trial before Susan Marrinan

Treasurer/Tax Collector:

- Daniel McAllister, the incumbent, did not respond to our invitation to speak.

- Greg Hodosevich
 - Endorsed by the SD County Democratic Party
 - Immigrated to the US
 - Expertise in finance (he's CFO for a company) and financial technology
 - He says the Treasurer's Office has been using an outdated computer system for too long, with no upgrades for years. Using an updated system is vital. He will complete the much-needed computer system upgrade.

The live stream was stopped following the countywide candidates' introductions.

IV. Introduction of Elected Officials and Candidates

Local Officials:

- Whitney Antrim, CUSD Board of Trustees
 - She urged us all to help our candidates for School Board and City Council. There are only 59 days until the election.

Local Candidates:

- Carry Downey –running for City Council
 - This is her fifth election!
 - Previously served on Coronado City Council
 - Her website is carriedowneyforcoronado.com – go there to ask for yard signs
- Stephanie Anderson –running for School Board
 - Born in Coronado, a graduate of CHS (and so are her three sons)
 - Running to provide future generations the same quality education she and her family received.
 - She is a member of CDC, but agrees our local offices should be non-partisan
 - Find her at <https://stephanieandersonforcoronado.com/> to request a sign.

V. Approval of Minutes of June 9 and August 10, 2022 – approved as distributed

Judy Bambace moved to approve both sets of minutes. The motion was seconded. Approved unanimously.

VI. Treasurer's Report – Pat Callahan

- Expenses were \$749 (for the Angelle Maua online presentation and technology subscriptions)
- Income was \$56.45
- Current bank balance is \$3,721.24

VII. Standing Committee Reports

Membership – Report from Terry Zack and Patti Flores on the project to contact members who had not renewed their memberships as of May 2022. They made phone calls and sent emails to the target audience in June and July 2022. Eighteen renewals were received. As of Sept 7, 2022, the club has 196 members.

Go Team – Frank King

- He has a write-up in the latest club newsletter, with a link to sign up to assist with the Go Team. Please go there and sign up to help. Training is provided.
- Kickoff is Saturday, October 10, at Patti Flores' house, 442 I Ave.

Legislative – Susan Marrinan

- Susan Marrinan, Member-at-Large and Chair of the Legislative Committee, gave the background of why the Board believes the name of the Committee should change to the Public Policy Committee and explained its work, and introduced the members of the Committee.
- Judy Bambace from the Bylaws Committee advised that the proposed bylaws' amendment language change was emailed to all members. She read it again to those present.
 - Judy noted that we have a quorum for the vote.
 - A motion was made by Ron Mandelbaum to approve the amendment to the Bylaws.
 - The motion was seconded by Brian Trotier.
 - The motion passed unanimously.

VIII. New Business

Membership Ratification of the appointment of Secretary. Alexia Palacios-Peters is running for CUSD and, therefore, resigned from her position as Secretary. Therefore, the Board appointed Rebecca King as Secretary in August. Our Bylaws require ratification by the membership of the Club.

Moved by Frank King
Seconded by Susan Marrinan
Passed unanimously.

IX. Announcements

Hospitality Committee thanks those who brought snacks today. Jenna asked for volunteers to assist with the Club's Holiday Happy Hour, which will be on December 9, 2022.

Susan Marrinan

- announced to the Club that the Public Policy Committee is providing handouts not seen in mid-term calendar, please get a copy from the registration table.
- Also thanked all for non-alcohol hand sanitizer and hand lotion for incarcerated women at Las Colinas. Success Inside and Out is a program to assist incarcerated women, many of whom feel hopeless.
- Because of her work with the judicial evaluation committee, she cannot discuss any of the candidates for judicial office.

Brian Trotier

- We are hosting the non-partisan CUSD Board of Trustees Forum on Sept 17 at 2 pm and City Council Forum on Sept 19 at 5:45 pm. Both in the Winn Room. Both will be streamed live to our YouTube channel.

X. Adjourned at 12:34.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca King, Secretary