



## General Meeting Agenda April 16, 2023, 2:00 – 4:00 pm

Conducted via Zoom

Any Questions: MarshCreekDems@gmail.com

### New 2023 Members:

Patty Bias

Karen White

Susana Williams

### Renewing Members

Joan Budne

Ted Elwell

Dominique King

Jaguanana Lathan

Marivel Mendoza-

Matheu

### I Call to Order and Introductions (New members, Dignitaries) (3 minutes)

#### A. Zoom:

(1) All Zoom Attendees will be muted

(2) Please rename your Zoom to your first and last name.

(3) To ask questions: Raise Hand

### II Minutes for March (3 minutes)

A. Motion to Adopt Minutes: Motion \_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_

### III Agenda Review (3 minutes)

A. Any changes to the agenda?

B. Motion to Adopt Agenda: Motion \_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> \_\_\_\_

### IV Shannon Skinner – President (5 minutes)

A. General update: All MCDC committees are looking for additional help

B. Gary Chambers has volunteered to be Chair of the Precinct Captain Taskforce. Ray Cole has volunteered to be chair of the Social Justice Committee. Liz Fuller will be organizing Farmer's Market Volunteers

C. Vote to elect a new Secretary.

### V Carolina Villaseca – Vice President (3 minutes)

#### A. Upcoming Speakers:

May – Tim Grayson, California State Assemblyman

June – Dr. Sara Levin, Contra Costa Deputy Health Officer on women's reproductive rights

July – Cheryl Sudduth, regarding participation on Environmental panel, Susannah Day of Giving

August – Lori Wilson, California State Assemblywoman

B. If you have a person who would like to come and speak to our club, please contact Carolina Villaseca at (216) 570-1270 or mcvillaseca@yahoo.com

### VI Today's Guest Speaker – (15 minutes)

A. **Barbara Lee, U.S. House Representative representing California's 12<sup>th</sup> Congressional District and Candidate for State Senate**

### VII Membership – Elinor Bell, Co-Chair (3 minutes)

A. To date, we have 63 members;

B. Dues are \$20 \$10 for students

C. Ways to join — Credit Card at <https://www.marshcreekdems.org/all-products> or Venmo MarshCreekDems (3416) or Check sent to Thuy DaoJensen/MCDC, P.O. Box 521, Brentwood, CA 94513

B. Renewing Members become Members in Good Standing and may vote as soon as dues are paid. New members become Members in Good Standing and may vote 30 days after their dues are paid.

**VIII Voter Outreach: Linda Smith (5 minutes)**

- A. Farmer’s Market Update – We tabled March 18<sup>th</sup> but not March 25<sup>th</sup> (It was toooo cold)  
We have signups to table all the way through May 27<sup>th</sup>
- |            |         |              |            |         |               |
|------------|---------|--------------|------------|---------|---------------|
| March 18th | Linda   | Sue Higgins  | April 1st  | Linda   | Ray Cole      |
| April 8th  | Linda   | Liz Fuller   | April 15th | Joe Ely | Tamela Hawley |
| April 22nd | Joe Ely | Liz Fuller   | April 29th | Linda   | Sue Higgins   |
| May 6th    | Linda   | Suzanne Cook | May 13th   | Linda   | Ray Cole      |
| May 20th   | Linda   | Liz Fuller   | May 27th   | Linda   | Ray Cole      |
- B. 1000 Postcards and Letters sent for WI Supreme Court seat election April 4<sup>th</sup>
1. Cindy Blitz, Beverly Brown, Kathleen Bohnsack, Barbara Coffman, Bob Coffman, Suzanne Cook, Kathy, Ely, Luci Flynn, Beau Gannon, Brenda King-Randle, Clifton Louie, Barbara Lutz, Martha Steel-Spellman, Marsha Tellier, John Tomei and Judy Zuckert
  2. Center for Common Ground sent 148,00 postcards to WI
  3. Vote Forward send 360,000 letters to WI
- C. June 20<sup>th</sup> Virginia Primary next
- D. Website [www.MarshCreekDems.org](http://www.MarshCreekDems.org) – 2308 Visitors this year
1. Website Editor Needed - Linda will train

**IX By Law Changes: Democratic Party of Contra Costa County requested these by-law changes to qualify for rechartering. (5 minutes)**

**A. Existing By Laws AMENDMENTS section**

- a. Amendments to the By-laws may be initiated by the Executive Board, By-Laws Committee, or by written petition signed by ten percent (10%) of the MCDC members eligible to vote.
- b. The Executive Board shall consider any such petition and make a recommendation at the next MCDC general membership meeting following receipt of the petition.

**B. Changes To Be Voted On**

- a. To align with DPCCC/CDC requested changes in our By-laws necessary to qualify for rechartering, the Executive Board may approve those changes by a majority vote.
- b. All by-law changes during the chartered period must be submitted to the DPCCC Club Development Committee within 30 days of the change.
- c. Any roster submitted to the California Democratic Party (CADEM/CDP) for participation in the CADEM pre-endorsement caucuses will only have members in good standing, as defined in these bylaws, as of the date set by the CADEM Chair prior to the caucuses.

**X Issues and Legislation – Bill Nusbaum, Chair (3 minutes)**

- A. Meetings are held via Zoom on the first Saturday of the month at 11:30 am. The next meeting will be on May 6, 11:30

Topics for Development – Basis for recommendations.

**Voter suppression**

**Zoning and Growth**

**Ethics Rules for Courts**

**Gun Control**

**Civics in the Classroom**

**Poverty in Contra Costa County**

**Infrastructure of Climate Change**

**Political Homelessness Publications and Social Media**

**XI Carolina Villaseca, Chair of Publications and Social Media Committee (3 minutes)**

- B. **Contact Carolina at (216) 570-1270 or [mcvillaseca@yahoo.com](mailto:mcvillaseca@yahoo.com).**

- C. We are continually posting important items on Facebook regarding news and calls to action. Send any call to action to Carolina at [marshcreekdems@gmail.com](mailto:marshcreekdems@gmail.com). **Check our Facebook page often for our frequent updates, and post your comments and “likes” whenever you can!**

**XII DPCCC District 3 Update – Carolina Villaseca, DPCCC District 3 Director (3 minutes)**

- A. Brentwood: I would like to send a sincere thanks to our young people in Brentwood for showing with amazing public comment for extending the moratorium on oil/gas drilling in Brentwood. Our future is bright because of them! Thank you Ian Cohen, Alison Chiu, Alexi Lindeman and Rohan Taigy! We now have a continuation for 1 year of the moratorium.

**XIII Swing Left – Doug McClelland (5 minutes)**

- A. <https://lincolnproject.us/Never-Again-Campaign>

**XIV Treasurer’s Report – Thuy DaoJensen, Treasurer (5 minutes)**

**XV Brentwood Community Center Movie Event – Co-Chairs – Don Smith and Bill Randall (5 minutes)**

Who We Are (1 hour and 22 minutes) – Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30

Movie followed by discussion led by Bill Randall

Suggest donation: \$10.00

**XVII For the Good of the Order (comments/suggestions) (3 minutes)**

**XVII Adjournment**

**Marsh Creek Dems Treasurer's Financial Statement**

**March 5 - April 2, 2023**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Description of INCOME</b>	<b>Amount</b>
	<b>BALANCE as of March 5, 2023:</b>	<b>\$3,243.02</b>
8-Mar-2023	SQUARE deposit of (1) membership dues	\$38.54
10-Mar-2023	SQUARE deposit of (1) membership dues	\$38.24
14-Mar-2023	SQUARE deposit of (1) membership dues	\$19.12
15-Mar-2023	CHECKS deposit of (2) membership dues	\$40.00
20-Mar-2023	SQUARE deposit of (1) membership dues	\$19.12
20-Mar-2023	SQUARE deposit of (2) membership dues	\$38.24
31-Mar-2023	CHECKS deposit of (1) membership dues	\$20.00
31-Mar-2023	CHECKS deposit of (1) membership dues	\$20.00
	<b>Total INCOME</b>	<b>\$3,476.28</b>
<b>Check #</b>	<b>Description of EXPENSES</b>	<b>Amount</b>
1080	Zoom invoice, MS Office 12, 1000 Postcards Vote Your Power	\$269.25
1081	Postage stamps by Doug McClelland	\$72.00
1082	DPCCC 2 year charter dues	\$40.00
	<b>Total EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$381.25</b>

**BALANCE as of April 2, 2023:**

**\$3,095.03**