

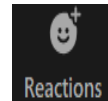
**Agenda**  
**January 17, 2021**  
**29 participants**

**2021 Members:** Yolanda Mendrek, Bill Nusbaum, Harry Thurston, Valerie Thurston, Susan Burleson, Don Smith, Linda Smith, Carolina Villaseca, Susana Williams, Monica Wilson. Thuy DaoJensen, Troy Jensen, Marivel Mendoza, Angela Lowrey, Shannon Skinner, Haleigh Jones, Dave Hartman, Karen Rarey, Barbara Pilling, Barbara Coffman, Bob Coffman

**I We count 2 mayors:** Antioch, Lamar Thorpe and Oakley, Sue Higgins, **2 City Council Members:** Brentwood, Jovita Mendoza and Karen Rarey and Antioch, Monica Wilson, **1 Brentwood School Board member,** , Thuy DaoJensen, **1 Liberty Union School District member Yolanda Mendrek,** **2 Ironhouse Sanitary District Members,** Dawn Morrow and Angela Lowrey, and **1 Community College Trustee,** Fernando Sandoval, **and 1 BART Director, Mark Foley,** among our members.

**II Call to Order and Introductions (New members, Dignitaries)**

- A. All Attendees have been muted.
- B. Please rename your Zoom to your first and last
- C. At the end of the presentation, our speaker will
  1. Use Chat or click Reactions and Raise



name.  
take questions.  
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**III Adopt Agenda** Motion SS 2<sup>nd</sup> MF -

**IV Don Smith, MCDC President**

- A. **Election of Officers Today**
- B. **Committees will elect Chair at the first committee meeting of the year.**
  1. Membership – Tuesday, Jan 26<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm
  2. Issues – Feb 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am
  3. Voter Outreach – Feb 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm
  4. Precinct Captains – Jan 14<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm
  5. Publicity – TBA
  6. Diversity Outreach TBA

**V Shannon Skinner – Vice President**

- A. DPCCC -Elections Thursday – Carolina is running for District 3 – Shannon is our rep and Harry is the Alternate –
- A.B. Susana Williams – There are open slots on the ballot for California Democratic Party Convention – Susana is running for Vice-chair of DPCCC You can see who is running for DPCCC elections here and also sign up for a Committee! <https://contracostadems.com/2021-2022-dpccc-officer-elections-and-committee-interest/>

**VI Guest Speaker: Diana Becton, CCC District Attorney**

- A. **Introduced by Shannon Skinner – Diana talked about how she can reduce our Footprint, with Youth and Adult Justice Divrsion, adding Neighborhood Community Courts, Metal Health Diversion and Post Donviction Resentencing – We are spending \$550,000 a year to house Juvenile offenders. She wants to lower that cost. March is her primary. She is beginning her fundraising. Hard to affect change when you have people in your office who are working against criminal justice reform. They are pairing officers with mental health professionals to deal with problems. Need more funding. To show her success, she measures the crime rate and juvenile recidivism – Both of these has gone down. Some but not many**

people that are on parole that are committing crimes. Has COVID made a difference in crime? Haven't seen this in Contra Costa County. She wants a better tracking for sexual assault – She has fixed the back log on sexual assault.

**VII Issues Committee – Susan Burleson** Next meeting: Sat. Feb 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 via Zoom

- A. Committee is working on a new survey for 2021 – To go out this week – Hopefully results by end of January.
  - 1. Issues and Priorities – Local, state and national
- B. Board will develop goals based on the results of the survey.

**VIII Communications – Carolina**

**IXVIII Membership – Asqual** Next meeting - Tuesday, Jan 26<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm

- A. 2020 91 members 88 MIGs 3 Assoc Member
- B. 2021 Dues can be paid now. \$20 for 2021 membership from February 21, 2021 to Feb 19, 2022
- C. Ways to join — Credit Card at <https://www.marshcreekdems.org/all-products> or Venmo MarshCreekDems or Check (Write MarshCreekDems@gmail.com for mailing address)
- D. Make sure you fill out a membership form (available at. <https://www.marshcreekdems.org/all-products> or e-mail marshcreekdems@gmail.com

**IX Communications – Carolina Villaseca** – Posting on Facebook important news and call to action. Send any call to action to Carolina at marshcreekdems@gmail.com or

**XA. Third Wed at 10 AM is the meetings.**

**XIX Secretary – Linda Smith**

- A. Zoom chat will now be held the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month at 10am Jan 23<sup>rd</sup>

**XXXI Swing Left Director – Doug McClelland** – Swing Left is finalizing what to work on this year. 7.9 million\$ raised – Wrote 8.7 million letters. In Georgis – 2.6 million letters to Georgia!! Thank you Doug for orgainizing the Movie on theWall.

**XXII Precinct Task Force – Harry Thurston** – Carolina is the New Chair Next meeting Thursday Feb 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00

- A. Precinct Captains – Carolina Villaseca, Linda Soliven, Linda Smith, Shannon Skinner, Michael Dupray and Gary Chambers
- B. Precinct Captains are needed for all of our cities.
- B-C. New Activity – Urging our Democratic friends in other states with Republican Senators to encourage them to vote for Impeachment.
- D. Election of New Chair - Carolina Villaseca has volunteered
- E. Don mentioned that Vote Values research showed that the most effective way to change opinions is “boots on the Ground”
- E-F. Harry mentioned that even literature drops make a difference and we did thousands of literature drops.

**XIVXIII Elections: Valerie Thurston**

- A. Election of Officers are scheduled for today's meeting
- B. Offices up for election: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer
- C. Intent to run forms were received from the following
  - 1. President -Shannon Skinner
  - 2. Vice President – Harry Thurston
  - 3. Secretary – Barbara Coffman
  - 4. Treasurer – Thuy DaoJensen

- D. Our Bylaws state that if there is only one candidate for an office, no election is necessary but the candidate shall be declared the winner by acclamation – Winner by acclamation
1. THEREFORE, THE NEW OFFICERS FOR 2021 SHALL BE;
    - (a) PRESIDENT – SHANNON SKINNER;
    - (b) VICE PRESIDENT- HARRY THURSTON,
    - (c) SECRETARY – BARBARA COFFMAN
    - (d) TREASURER – THUY DAOJENSEN

**XVXIV Treasurer’s Report – Thuy DaoJensen**

**Marsh Creek Dems Treasurer's Financial Statement  
December 7, 2020 - January 3, 2021**

Date	Description of INCOME	Amount
	<b>BALANCE as of December 7, 2020:</b>	<b>\$ 2,421.39</b>
21-Dec-2020	SQUARE deposit	\$ 38.24
28-Dec-2020	SQUARE deposit	\$ 19.12
	<b>Total INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 2,478.75</b>

Check #	Description of EXPENSES	Amount
	<b>Total EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

<b><u>BALANCE as of January 3, 2021:</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 2,478.75</u></b>
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**XVIXV Closing remarks by President Shannon Skinner – Shannon thanked Don Smith, President and Linda Smith, Secretary for their service.**

**XVIXVI Adjournment – 3:30**