

**Minutes of General Membership Meeting  
San Francisco for Democracy  
Mission District Police Station  
September 24, 2008**

All votes in format for-against-no endorsement, unless otherwise noted.

Initial membership attendance for voting purposes: Enrique Asis, Tommy Avicelli-Mecca, Chuck Bierworth, Thomas Brown, Catherine Cusic, John Daniel, Maxine Doogan, Tim Durning, Howard Grayson, Tim Hsu, Greg Kamin, Luke Klipp, Carolyn Lee, Rainah Ruckert, Greg Shaw, Jeff Whittington, Peter Wong. A quorum of 12 members was obtained.

I: Welcome: Tim Durning 7:20

II. Membership vote on election of Luke Klipp as Political Affairs Director. Luke had been appointed by the Steering Committee as the Acting Political Affairs director in July. The membership voted unanimously to elect Luke.

III. Adjourn

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Additional members who showed up during this meeting: Alec Bash, Glenn Davis, Joni Eisen, Michael Goldstein, Eric Mar and Bruce Wolfe.

I. At about 7:25, Luke Klipp began a discussion of the special agenda item for this meeting concerning the endorsement position San Francisco for Democracy Federal Action had previously taken in the congressional race for District 8. Each member in good standing was given a secret ballot with the following two questions:

a) Shall San Francisco for Democracy PAC retract its endorsement of Nancy Pelosi for the 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District? (Yes or No)

b) If San Francisco for Democracy PAC retracts its endorsement of Representative Nancy Pelosi, who should the SF for Democracy PAC endorse? (Nancy Pelosi, Cindy Sheehan or No Endorsement)

II. Tim introduced CD 8 District Director Dan Bernal who spoke and answered questions for about 10 minutes.

III. Tim introduced CD 8 independent candidate Cindy Sheehan, who spoke and answered questions for about 10 minutes.

IV: After Cindy and Dan had left the room, membership engaged in a lively discussion of each candidate. Voting was done on the secret ballot and turned in on a continuous basis.

IV. Adjourn

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I. At about 8:20, Luke Klipp began a discussion of selected state and local propositions. Members had ballots which indicated the recommendations that had come from the PAC Coordinators' meeting on Sunday, September 21.

II. Voting was done on the secret ballots and turned in on a continuous basis.

III. Adjourn and vote at 9:25

**Results of ballot counting  
San Francisco for Democracy Federal Action**

1. Should endorsement of Nancy Pelosi for CD 8 race be retracted? YES (18-5-0)
2. Who should SF for Democracy Federal Action endorse? No Position (13-4-6)

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STATE MEASURES

1. High Speed Rail: YES (21-0-0)
2. Standards for Farm Animals: YES (23-0-0)
3. Children's Hospital Bond YES: (20-0-0)
4. Waiting Period and Parental Notification: NO (0-21-0)
5. Non-Violent Drug Offenses: YES (21-0-0)
6. Police Funding: NO (0-20-0)
7. Renewable Energy Generation: NO (0-19-0)
8. Anti-Marriage Initiative: NO (0-23-0)
9. Criminal Justice System Victim's Rights: NO (0-21-0)
10. Alternative Fuel Vehicle & Renewable Energy Bonds: NO (0-18-1)
11. Redistricting Amendment: NO (2-20-0)
- 12: Veterans' Bonds: YES (21-0-0)

## LOCAL MEASURES

- A. General Hospital Bond: YES (22-0-0)
- B. Affordable Housing: YES (22-0-0)
- C. No City Employees on Boards/Commissions: NO (1-17-3)
- D. Pier 70: YES (19-1-1)
- E. Number of Signatures for Recall: YES (20-0-0)
- F. Elections in Even Years: YES (13-6-2)
- G. Credit for Unpaid Parental Leave: YES (20-1-0)
- H. Clean Energy Act: YES (21-0-0)
- I. Independent Rate Payer Advocate: NO (0-19-0)
- J. Historic Preservation Commission: No Position (8-10-0)
- K. Decriminalization of Prostitution/Sex Workers: YES (16-4-3)
- L. Community Justice Center: NO (0-19-1)
- M. Tenant Harassment: YES (22-0-0)
- N. Real Property Transfer Tax (21-0-0)
- O. Emergency Response Tax: YES (21-0-0)
- P. Transportation Authority NO (0-20-0)
- Q. Payroll Expense Tax: YES (21-0-0)
- R. Oceanside Water Treatment Plant Name Change: No Position (6-11-4)
- S. Budget Set-Asides: NO (1-17-1)
- T. Substance Abuse Treatment: YES (20-0-0)
- U. Policy Statement on Iraq: YES (23-0-0)
- V. Policy Statement on JROTC: NO (0-23-0)

Minutes submitted by Vice President Thomas Brown acting as Secretary, September 26, 2008