

MAY General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, May 18th @ 7pm

Board Members Present: Edward, Seamus, Alvin, Reid, Raya, Jeffrey, Jasper, Joe, Zahra, Michael, Jackie, Kurtis, Jupiter, Kevin, Kaylah, Lee, Brad, Jerry

Draft Agenda:

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- Introductions
- In Memoriam -Felicia Flame moment of silence
- Membership Committee Reportback(Reid)
 - -Tonight's quorum 12
 - -Vaccination update
 - -Announcing July 2021 in person membership meeting
 - Nina Turner endorsement vote instructions and ballot shared
- Events and Fundraising Update(Jeffrey)
 - Harvey Milk Day Community Recovery Celebration May 22 201
 11AM-6PM
 - Cinch Saloon event Pride Happy Hour June 21 Monday 6PM
 - o QTAPI Week May 22-29 2021
- Susan Stryker+Jupiter+Mano Raju 111Taylor(Compton Cafeteria) Panel
 - 111 Taylor acquired by GEO group
 - Running for profit transitional housing
 - Geo group runs for profit detention center for ICE
 - Calls them "processing centers"
 - "Transitional Housing" is code but still inhumane
 - Viewing of Adachi Project documentary on 111 Taylor

- Mano introduces Adachi Project
- PLAN: To get GEO group out of SF and reclaim building for Trans cultural district
- AB 32 by Rob Bonta to ban private prisons but doesn't include half-way houses.
- State and Federal Probation owns the contracts
- Still exploring different avenues on how to build campaign around this
- Request to spread the word about the issue
- Plan to expand to state-wide campaign, let Assemblymembers know, Pelosi etc
- Raise awareness and expose the issue: Goal of Adachi Project

Honey Mahogany

- Running for DCCC President
- Shares campaign platform
- Kevin's Q: Angela Alioto was not censored but Alison was- how does the policy work?
- Honey's answer: It's up to the bylaws, decision made by vote.
- Does not agree with Alison's tweets, apology was not acceptable, but DCCC vote was rushed (72hr notice), does not agree with everything Alison has done or said, acknowledges the work Alison has done for schools.
- Wants party to support progressive candidates

Castro Surveillance Update: Lee Hepner

- Castro Group raised \$700,000 private donation for surveillance cameras
- Board includes people who don't live in SF but own property in the Castro
- \$200,000 from donations going to self enrichment
- Board member Chris Larsen will benefit from the surveillance
- Applied Video Solutions owns the cameras, they go to big expos in security Las Vegas, their clients may have backdoors to the Castro cameras.

New Business:

 Maxine: budget proposal \$3.7 million for research on sex industry, wants Milk Club letter of support. (motion passed)

- Jess: Administrators in city college have made it hard for students to access to COVID resources. The Chancellor is taking a 25% pay increase despite austerity and severe budget and pay cuts for teachers. Students need help this budget season-- students do not want Trustees to approve Chancellor's salary. Ask: come organize with students
- Raya: donation drive link
- Pat: Prop I petition for London Breed to allocate the funds
- Chris: Janani 4 CA endorsement, SEIU 1021 protest tomorrow

MOTIONS(UNANIMOUS):

- The Harvey Milk LGBTQ Democratic Club condemns the use of 111 Taylor, the historic site of the Compton's Cafeteria Riot, by a private prison corporation, and seeks to transform and reclaim this space for the transgender community.
- One week from today we will hold an endorsement vote for Honey Mahogany for DCCC President.
- Support for the budget proposal (\$3.7m) submitted by the Erotic Service Providers Legal, Education and Research Project (ESPLERP), a 501(c)3, to fund statewide research on the sex industry as an upcoming budget item for the State of California.
- Endorsement vote for Janani Ramachandran for Assembly 2022
- To ask Board President Shanell Williams and Vice-President Tom Temprano not to extend Chancellor Vurdien's contract at any price and instead to install Anita Maritinez for three months (July 1-September 30) so that she can turn City College in another direction and "set the table" for a permanent chancellor who will stand up to the trends that benefit the student loan industry, the real estate industry, the tech industry, and the privatization movement ("The City College Struggle Made Simple").
- Motion to adjourn in honor of Felicia Flame