



## Official Minutes

Democratic Club of the Santa Clarita Valley

September 20, 2007

**Convened:** By Mike Cruz at 7:25 P.M.

**Location:** El Trocadero in Newhall

**Minutes:** Taken by Marianne Bailey, Recording Secretary

1. Members present: Michael Cruz, Carole Lutness, Minerva Williams, Todd Hoover, Kris Daams, Bill Bailey & Marianne Bailey. We were joined by three newcomers: Catherine Satourian, Sylvia Santiago and Susan Christopher.
2. Old Business - Mike recapped the code of ethics for the City of Santa Clarita.
3. Treasure Report - We have \$515.00 in our account.
4. Review of recent Dem events...Labor Day BBQ sponsored by DPSFV - About 120 attended in the record heat (115 degrees!). This group is looking to get involved in SCV Dem club activities.
  - Peace Rally was held on Sept 15<sup>th</sup>. 120- 150 young people attended this!
  - DAA meeting - to be held on Thurs Sept 27<sup>th</sup>.
  - 2 weeks ago the SCV Hispanic Chamber of Commerce held their annual awards dinner. Hilde Solis spoke.
  - Volunteers are needed to register Democrats - Please contact Joyce Evans. She has 2 hour shifts on Oct 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 - 11:00.
5. Susan Christopher spoke about the Obama campaign and how she became involved.
6. Bill gave an update on Casino night. Minerva will send out invitations and we will have a weekly head count on rsvps.
  - We will have a Black Jack table, Texas Hold em and Salsa lessons and dancing!
7. Young Dems - we discussed having a Pizza Party at Jonathan's house. Justin is working with Minerva on this and other ideas. We all agreed to support Justin's efforts and will contribute \$50.00 from our funds for Pizza Party.
8. Round Table ...Homeless Shelter - Carole reviewed the current status of a homeless shelter in the SCV. She has been working with Senator Sedillo on this and on transitional housing. Carol suggested the 3 dem clubs of the SCV have a Christmas Party to support the shelter. The shelter opens in mid- December and will be on San Fernando road. Carole will keep us updated on this.
  - Carole also informed us of the bill that is being organized by the Republican's to "steal the state". Carole also gave us information on the Minority Outreach event in October.
  - We discussed the increase in rents in Newhall and what could be done about this.
  - Kris talked about SB120 and Alex Padilla. We are urged to call or fax Governor Schwarzenegger to sign this bill. This will require chain restaurants to post nutritional information on menus and menu boards.
9. Our next meeting is on September 20<sup>th</sup> at Mulligan's in Valencia.
10. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM