

Cañada Crescenta Club Meeting Minutes
Sunday, February 21, 2021
Virtual General Meeting Minutes

Welcome: VP Susan Mastrodemos opened the meeting at 3:03. President Lora De La Portillo had the day off.

Minutes: January Minutes were approved as read.

Controller's Report: Bud Slotky reported we have 77 paid members so far this year. The balance is \$4,750.52.

Membership Report & Postcarding Update: Suzanne Goldberg reported that we have 98 members and 2 students. Please pay membership dues. We sent out 2,300 postcards for Flip the West to 7 Congressmen.

ADEM Election Results - CCDC boasts of 4 Delegates: Susan Mastrodemos reported that the Dem Party is taking the effort to recall Gavin Newsom very seriously and is putting lots of resources into helping the Governor. Our Club has 4 delegates in the California Democratic Party: Lora, Susan, Suzanne Goldberg and Desiree Portillo Rabinov.

Guest Speaker: Rick Eaton, Director of Research at the Simon Wiesenthal Center and the Museum of Tolerance, discussed "A New Era of Hate Online: The 2020 Election and Beyond." He talked about how social media is fueling this hate. When FB and Twitter ban the Proud Boys, the Boogaloo Boys, etc., they just jump to a new site like Telegram, Parlar, and UK.com (a Russian site), and acquire even more members. They make saints out of mass murders and post about them online.

Sandra Chen Lau, Board of Trustees, Pasadena City College gave a recap of a forum on reopening of schools. AB10 was just proposed to require public school students to physically return to school in stages by early spring. La Cañada and La Crescenta Pre-K and early grades are doing so. SB89 will provide \$6.5 billion to help schools reopen.

Desiree Portillo Rabinov, Board of Trustees, Glendale Community College discussed GCC reopening in the fall. The Nursing and Firefighting programs remain open to in person classes.

New Business: Carol Fodera discussed AB1400, the Guaranteed Health Care for All Act by Laura Friedman, which would provide single payer healthcare, leaving out insurance companies. Federal ACA and Medicare monies combined would fund it.

The meeting adjourned at 4:53 with 46 attendees.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Carolyn Young, Secretary