

CSFN Newsletter, Volume XLVI, NO. 1, January 2020





FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK: HAPPY NEW YEAR!

On December 4, CSFN diners reveled in a return to table service at the Patio Espanol at our 49th annual CSFN holiday party. Entrees included prime rib, paella, chicken and pasta. As recently elected President, I was the master of ceremonies for the evening. Keynote speaker Heather Knight (top row center) of the SF Chronicle told us of her journalistic career and answered our questions. Honorees included retired Fire Dept. Chief Joanna Hayes-White (top left) retiring Sheriff Vicki Hennessy (second row right) and President Emeritus George Wooding. (top right) A special recognition was given to Stop Crime SF (second row left) for their work in fighting auto burglary and promoting judicial accountability. Along with the annual fundraising came a special toy drive for the SFFD!

A New Year's Resolution

That was the good news. The bad news was this

year, as in previous years, the lead up to our event continued to be a problem. The dinner committee has been an ad hoc one on which some members try to work in harmony but wind up being quite contentious. Last year the past president even had to let the whole group go and work with an entirely new one! This year was a learning experience for this new President in particular, with many ups and downs from start to finish.

To try to even out the ebb and flow of this checkered past, I have the following proposal to make, abolish the short term dinner committee as it has stood and replace it with a full time standing committee. This new one, an Event Committee, would be charged with organizing events throughout the year, beginning with the lead up to the election and ending with the Holiday Party. Also, it would be involved in sponsoring town halls with other organizations having to do with common community concerns such as affordable housing, the homeless and crime/punishment. Its event work would thus be both internal for our group and external to liaison with others. For example, in the past we have co-sponsored forums with Stop Crime SF: we can also lead the way in discussions of SB 50, debates over policing and new directions for SFMTA.

Is this ambitious? Yes. Can we do it? I think we can. So let us talk about it, in your group's meetings leading up to our General Assembly and in our continuing conversation discussions.

Charles Head President of CSFN



CSFN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday, December 17, 2019 / 6:30 PM / Northern Station

Charles Head, Glenn Rogers, Greg Scott, Maurice Franco, Richard Frisbie and Claire Zvanski. Excused absence: Cindy Beckman.

6:36 pm II Officers Reports

- A. President: Dean Preston's swearing in ceremony was successful, Supervisor's voted against SB 50 with 10 to 1 record.
- B. Vice President: Claire suggests increasing email list.
- C. Recording Secretary: draft minutes provided.
- D. Corresponding Secretary: absent
- E. Treasurer: \$500 to the good after Holiday Dinner.

7:00 pm III Committee Reports

- A. Open Space. PG&E offer is refused by Newsom.
- B. Land Use and Transportation. Did not meet.
- C. Government and Elections. See report next page.
- D. Media Outreach / Membership Committee.
- E. Bylaws: Changes to be reviewed in NL.
- F. Holiday Dinner: December 2, 2020 room reserved next year at Patio Espanol, all money for raffle was given out in error, 60 guest instead of 150 guests as last year, a consensus of a better Honoree or Speaker is needed and volunteers unable to work well with others are discouraged from participating in Holiday Dinner.

7:30 pm IV Corrections to December 2019 General Assembly Meeting, GA did not meet.

7:30 pm V **Unfinished Business**

- A. Review past logo for improvement.
- B. Robert Feinbaum of SFMTA to present in January.
- C. Eugene Lew's architect to present in February.
- D. The Conversation Continues....

7:45 pm VI **New Business**

- A. Discuss CCHO or Peter Cohen as a future presentation.
- B. Discuss PLAN BAY AREA 2015 as a future presentation.

8:00pm VII Adjourn



DRAFT MINUTES FOR CSFN G.A. ON NOVEMBER 19, 2019

- President Charles Head (SHARP) called the meeting to order in the Northern Police Station at 6:45
 - A. Quorum declared: 12 delegates from 11 organizations signed in, along with 2 guests.
 - B. Host: SHARP. Delegate Charles Head provided food from La Mediterranee, and spoke about the hundred year old organization.

II. Program:

- A. Christopher Bowman provided an analysis of this month's election.
- B. George Wooding (MTHA) discussed the March ballot measures being in flux, and the GA decided to postpone voting until the Jan. meeting.

III. Officers Reports.

- A. President wrote report on Ballot Measures in NL; saw Rules Committee meeting on Sue Diamond for Planning Commission special Budget and Finance one on Vacancy Tax and full BOS on 3333 California.
- B. Vice President Glenn Rogers (PmAC) said Paul Webber passed.
- C. Recording Secretary The Draft Minutes are in the NL. Please take my job!
- D. Corresponding Secretary No report.
- E. Treasurer Financial sheets are available. Authority to write check to Patio Espanol for balance of dinner approved unanimously.

IV. Committee Reports.

- A. Ex Comm Downsizing for dinner and problems were discussed
- B. Bylaws Claire Zvanski (EDIA) said we would vote in Jan. on proposed changes when we have a 2/3 membership present.
- C. Government and Elections see Program B.
 - D. Land Use and Transportation in NL.
 - D. Newsletter good job!
 - E. Open Space Rec&Park Commission meets Thursday. AWASS came up.
 - F. Holiday Dinner Mari Eliza (EMIA) brought up issues to discuss.
- V. Approval of the Oct. 2019 minutes was unanimous.
- VI. Unfinished Business; The Conversation Continues.

VII. New Business:

- A. Jan. Program will include Robert Feinbaum to discuss SB 50 with an emphasis on transit rich definitions.
- B. Eugene Lew to discuss Dom-i-city new planning concept in Feb.
- VIII. Adjournment was at 9:05 in memory of Paul Webber (THD). Charles Head

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GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS REPORT

We met at Taraval Station on Friday Jan. 3, 2020 to consider these ballot measures for the March 3 Election:

Prop A: CCSF bond. Thea Selby spoke in favor, and Howard Epstein spoke against it. Committee recommendation was unanimous not to support it.

Prop B: ESER GPB. Already heard and approved by G&E and GA.

Prop C. Charter Amendment of Retiree health care benefits for SFHA. No consideration.

Prop D: Vacancy Tax. Lee Hepner spoke in favor of it. Ben Matranga opponent absent. Committee recommendation voted no position.

Prop E: Limits on office development. Calvin Welch spoke in favor. Opponent Daniel Herstein absent. Committee recommendation was unanimous to support.

LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION

No meeting in December 2019.

EXCOMM. - HOW TO REACH US:

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48TH ANNUAL CSFN HOLIDAY DINNER CONTRIBUTORS

PATRONS:

RECOLOGY, SHARP, SFMTA AND SUTRO TOWERS

BENEFACTORS:

COLE VALLEY IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, EXCELSIOR DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, LOURZEAU, DRURY LLC, MIDTOWN TERRACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, OCEANVIEW/MERCED HEIGHTS / INGLESIDE NEIGHBORS IN ACTION AND PACIFIC HEIGHT RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION SPONSORS:

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CSFN AND LUTC SCHEDULE

January 21, 2020	CSFN General Meeting	6 pm to 9 pm
January 29, 2020	LUTC Meeting	4 pm to 5;30 pm
January 29, 2020	Excomm. Meeting	5:30 to 7:30
February 18, 2020	CSFN General Meeting	6 pm to 9 pm
February 26, 2019	LUTC Meeting	4 pm to 5;30 pm
February 26, 2020	Excomm. Meeting	5:30 to 7:30
March 17, 2020	CSFN General Meeting	6 pm to 9 pm
March 25, 2020	LUTC Meeting	4 pm to 5;30 pm
March 25, 2020	Excomm. Meeting	5:30 to 7:30
April 21, 2020	CSFN General Meeting	6 pm to 9 pm
April 29, 2020	LUTC Meeting	4 pm to 5;30 pm
April 29, 2020	Excomm. Meeting	5:30 to 7:30
May 19, 2020	CSFN General Meeting	6 pm to 9 pm
May 27, 2020	LUTC Meeting	4 pm to 5;30 pm
May 27, 2020	Excomm. Meeting	5:30 to 7:30
June 16, 2020	CSFN General Meeting	6 pm to 9 pm
June 24, 2020	LUTC Meeting	4 pm to 5;30 pm
June 24, 2020	Excomm. Meeting	5:30 to 7:30
July 21, 2020	CSFN General Meeting	6 pm to 9 pm
July 29, 2020	LUTC Meeting	4 pm to 5;30 pm
July 29, 2020	Excomm. Meeting	5:30 to 7:30
August 18, 2020	CSFN General Meeting	6 pm to 9 pm
August 26, 2020	LUTC Meeting	4 pm to 5;30 pm
August 26, 2020	Excomm. Meeting	5:30 to 7:30
September 15, 2020 September 23, 2020 September 23, 2020		6 pm to 9 pm 4 pm to 5;30 pm 5:30 to 7:30
October 20, 2020	CSFN General Meeting	6 pm to 9 pm
October 28, 2020	LUTC Meeting	4 pm to 5;30 pm
October 28 2020	Excomm. Meeting	5:30 to 7:30
November 17, 2020	CSFN General Meeting	6 pm to 9 pm
November 25, 2020	LUTC Meeting	4 pm to 5;30 pm
November 25, 2020	Excomm. Meeting	5:30 to 7:30

9:15 pm



CSFN GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, January 21, 2019 / 6:30 PM / Northern Station Sign in and refreshments. 6:00 pm Call to Order / Ascertain Quorum 6:30 pm I Introduction of Delegates and Guests Α. B. Host SPEAK or Eileen Boken **PROGRAM** 6:40 pm Ш Robert Feinbaum of SAVEMUNI is to provide a discussion Α. about transportation issues including a definition of transit rich areas, SB 50 and the importance of transportation in Proposition E. G&E ballot measures discussed for March 3, 2020 Primary В. Election. **Officers Reports** 7:40 pm President Α. B. Vice President C. Recording Secretary D. Corresponding Secretary E. Treasurer **Committee Reports** 8:15 pm Ш Executive Α. B. Bylaws - Review for approval with your neigh. group. C. Government and Elections: See report. Land Use and Housing D Ε **Open Space** D. Newsletter E. Holiday Dinner Media and Outreach 8:45 pm IV Approval of November 2019 Excom. Minutes **Unfinished Business** 8:50 pm VΙ Committee report of Bylaw Amendments. 2/3 attendance Α. mandatory B. The Conversation Continues to Improve CSFN VII **New Business** 9:00 pm January Program includes Robert Feinbaum discusses Α. SB50 with an emphasis on transit rich definitions. B.` Eugene Lew to discuss Dom-i-City a new planning concept in February. VIII Adjourn

Glenn Rogers, Vice President CSFN

Bylaws Committee Report Amendments November 2019

Please, review and be able to comment at our next CSFN GA Meeting.

Committee Members: Claire Zvanski, Chair; Al Harris, Mary Harris, Leo Martinez, Charles Head. The following are the committee recommendations:

- 1. amend: VI. Elections. B. Term. 3. No person shall hold more than two offices one office at a time. [Robert's Rules suggests that this is most prudent.]
- 2. No deletions or changes: IV. Officers: If any position becomes or remains vacant, it can be filled per the bylaws when candidates become available. Each has a valid and necessary function. It is allowable for some of the functions of vacant positions to be assigned to other officers until the position(s) become filled.
- delete: V. Executive Committee: C. Meetings. The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the chair to: [The bylaws committee believes the Executive Committee should meet monthly to fulfill the functions of the committee as spelled out in the bylaws. The primary function to plan the agendas and programs for the meetings should come from committee members, be discussed within the committee and the committee should agree on the agendas, topics and programs. The bylaws are clear that this is a committee function and not the role of the chair to be solely responsible for programs, etc. Members of the Coalition should be encouraged to propose programs and topics. Feedback and participation from Coalition members is needed and encouraged.]
- 4. VII. D. Quorum: ...at least one-third of the member organizations. [This is currently seven (7) and the committee agreed that this is a prudent number; no changes recommended.]
- 5. **amend:** VII. E. Notice: Notice of meetings and agendas shall be mailed **or sent electronically** to the member organizations...
- 6. **amend:** VII. G. Policy Procedure. 2. The support of a minimum of one-third of the member organizations is required for adoption. The **chair shall determine if the** vote shall be taken by roll call **or standing/hand vote.** [the point is expediency without sacrificing representation.]
- 7. add: VIII. Committees. F. Committee chairs may allow electronic participation by committee members provided all can hear/see each other during the meeting. The Executive Committee and the General Assembly are excluded.
- 8. **amend:** XI. Amendments... B. Upon receipt of such a request for consideration, the President shall refer the proposed amendment to a-the bylaws committee for study and evaluation. [this is in keeping with the purpose and function of the bylaws committee]