



Planning for Elections and Engagement Panel

Monday, September 18, 2017
6:30 – 8:00 pm

Clerk-Recorder-Elections Office
555 Escobar Street
Martinez, California
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MINUTES

Attendees:

City Clerks Association, Margaret Wimberly	CoCo Young Democrats, Victor Tiglao
City of Brentwood, Bob Taylor	Democratic Party, Mike McGill
City of Richmond, Brandon Evans	Democrats of Rossmore, Carol Week
CoCo Democrats, Diddo Clark	ECAP Emeritus, Nancy Kaplan
CoCo Democrats, Scott Rafferty	ECAP Emeritus, Steve Goodman
CoCo District I, Joan Carpenter	LoWV Diablo Valley, Lee Lawrence
CoCo District II, Lauri Byers	LoWV West Contra Costa, Rita Xavier
CoCo Libertarians, Kevin Moore	Public Comment, D. Johnson III
CoCo Libertarians, Kurt Schultz	

Elections Staff:

Registrar, Joe Canciamilla
Asst. Registrar, Scott Konopasek
Elections Processing Supervisor, Travis Ebbert
Elections Processing Supervisor, Jose Gonzalez
Elections Processing Technician, Richard Woolever
Executive Secretary, Melissa Hickok

Following Up from June Meeting

- **Registration and Voting in Special Circumstances** – Handouts were provided to give information on voting from a nursing home or voting from jail.
- **Photo Contest** – The theme of the 2018 Photo Contest was Civic Engagement in Contra Costa, The winning photo will grace the cover of our June 2018 Voter Information Guide.

New Business

- **Website Redesign Presentation** – While our website is very content-rich, we are working to make it more user friendly.

- **Trilingual Approach to Planning an Election** – Contra Costa is now required to add Chinese as a third language to election publications including the official ballot. A very interactive discussion followed.
- **US Attorney/DOJ Accessibility Update** – In April 2016, Contra Costa was one of eight counties chosen by the DOJ for survey regarding polling place accessibility. The process included two-way correspondence, meetings, and site visits. We continue working with DOJ in reviewing the accessibility of our locations.
- **National Voter Registration Day** – September 26th is NVRD, and we are partnering with county high schools to register and preregister eligible youth. Kits were offered to attendees interested in setting up a registration drive.

Next Meeting January 29, 2018