

## **San Francisco for Democracy**

Minutes for Wednesday, September 19, 2007, at 7:00P.M.  
630 Valencia Street Police Station Community Room

### **1. Attendance:**

Of the fourteen members in attendance for the PAC General Membership meeting, thirteen remained for this meeting: Tom Brown, Erich Albrecht, Susan Pfeifer, Tim Hsu, Jeff Whittington, Maxine Anderson, Steph Feiring, David Giesen, Natalie Jones, Greg Kamin, Raihah Ruckert, Eric Storey, Kevin Yee

2. Members approved the minutes from the July 25, 2007 General Membership meeting.

### **3. Should SF for Democracy support the strike of SEIU Local 24/7 ?**

Earlier in the evening, we heard from SEI 24/7 spokespersons Jessica Bell and Olga Vargas about their plans for a strike the following week. Olga reported that their contract expires on June 30<sup>th</sup>. She said that security workers have poor training and no retirement benefits. We were asked to officially support their strike.

San Francisco for Democracy members voted; 11 Yes and 2 Abstain. The measure passed, to support the SEIU local security workers' strike.

### **4. Committee Reports**

Membership: Tim reported that the current membership count is ninety-six members in good standing.

Treasurer: Tom reported that our bank balance was well below \$1,000 due to recent legal fees needed to form our State and Federal PACs and that we were delaying the start of a formal budget process for the current year. All matters should be resolved in time for the next meeting, at which point we will decide on a budget.

### **5. California's 2008 Electoral votes:**

The Republican Party is working on a way to change California's electoral votes in the next 2008 presidential election via an initiative. Members were told how if the initiative succeeded, this would affect the 2008 Presidential elections by splitting the votes between Republican and Democratic candidates. There was discussion of how different groups were responding to this initiative, some with on-line pledges not to support it and others with a program to educate the public at the street level. Members agreed we needed to develop our own materials to hand out as part of our outreach effort.

Minutes recorded by Eric Storey