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CDP Veterans Caucus Executive Board Meeting
Saturday, November 18, 2017; 6:45 PM – 7:45 PM
Location: The Westin SF Airport, 1 Old Bayshore Highway
Millbrae, CA 94030

MINUTES

	ITEM
	Meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM. Quorum verified.
1.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Jody Feldman call motion to set up agenda items for the executive board meeting on February 23-25, 2018; Rick Greene second the motion.<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. Mike Martinez requested a discussion on SB 562.b. Rick Barreto suggested a discussion on “Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell” and its impact on Veteran documents.c. Basil Kimbrew addressed the Veterans Caucus to discuss the Veterans who are members of the Broken Soldiers.d. Basil Kimbrew suggested a Veterans Ball and to have a Veteran reception at each Executive Board.e. Rich Greene discussed the denial and lack of access to the VA Health System:<ol style="list-style-type: none">i. Veterans do not have insurance;ii. Veterans do not have employment; and/oriii. Some Veterans are too young to collect Medicare.

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2.	<p>1. Robert Leahy called for the establishment of committees; Rick Barreto seconded the motion; Ron Cohen objected pursuant to the provisions in the Veteran Caucus’ 2012 Bylaws.</p> <p>a. Ron Cohen wants to member on the Bylaws Committee.</p> <p>b. Jody Feldman requested Basil Kimbrew to be part of the Action Committee.</p> <p>c. Cullen Tiernan suggested a committee to promote “No More War” initiative.</p> <p>d. Jody Feldman noted the caucus needs more time to discuss the committee.</p>
3.	<p>Candidates for different offices approached the Veteran Caucus for two minutes each:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eleni Kounalakis running for Lieutenant Governor • Dave Jones for Attorney General • Jeff Bleich for Lieutenant Governor • Tom Tarantino for Assembly 16th District • Ed Hernandez for Lieutenant Governor • Mike Levin for U.S. Representative 49th Congressional District • Kevin De Leon for U.S. Senate • Eric Dean spoke for Doug Applegate for U.S. Representative 49th Congressional District • Ruben Major for Secretary of State • Steve Dunwoody for California Assembly 54th District • Joseph LaJeunesse for Santa Clara Sheriff; and • Xavier Becerra for Attorney General
4.	<p>Robert Leahy opened motion to rescind the previous Veteran Caucus Executive Board’s endorsement of Joseph LaJeunesse in May 2017, which violated the 2012 Bylaws; Rick Barreto: motion; Susana Williams seconded the motion; Ron Cohen objected the motion per provisions in the bylaws.</p>
5.	<p>Ellen Thomas requested a moment of silence in the remembrance of Gemel Moore.</p>

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6.	Announcements: None
7.	Meeting adjourned at 7:45 AM

Other caucus reporting:

Treasurer's Report : Two new members joined the Veteran Caucus and paid \$20.00 each: Evelyn Thomas and Jessica Self. The membership forms and funds were given to Cullen Tiernan, Chair.