DACN PRESENTS





Agenda

August 16, 2021

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• Special Elections, GILTI, DPCA Proposals 10 minutes

Volunteer Forms, Events, Call to Action

Swag Sales, Finance, New Business

• Welcome, Attendance, Minutes Approval 5 minutes

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5 minutes

20 minutes



US Special Elections CA, OH, FL, NJ, VA

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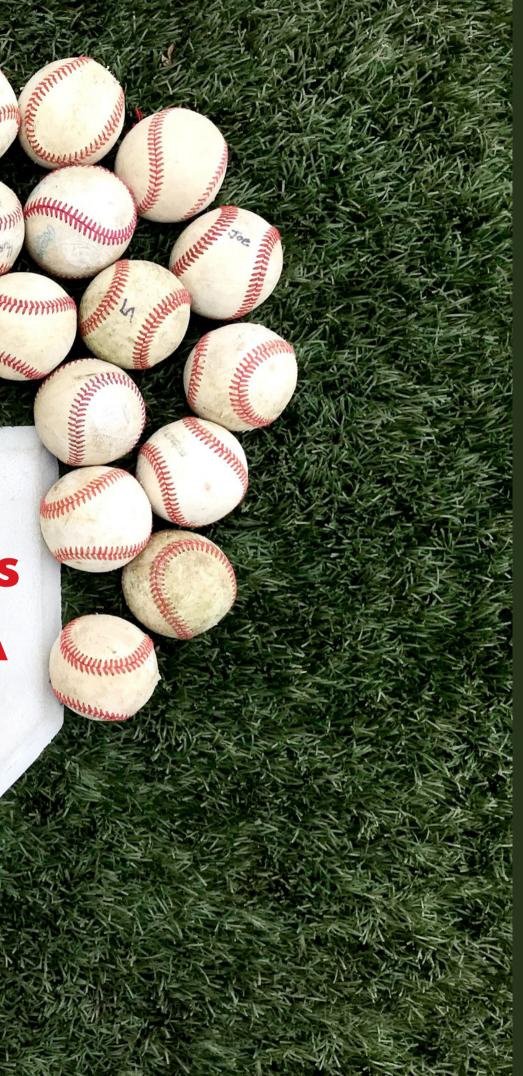
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DA's Taxation Task Force is promoting reforms to re-focus the GILTI Tax on U.S. multinational corporations and provide much needed relief to Americans abroad whose businesses are supporting their families and creating their retirement nest egg. Sumbit your feedback to Congress as they are looking at tax law <u>NOW</u>:

https://www.democratsabroad.org/carmelan/let s get gilti tax reform this year congress needs data take this survey

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<u>The DPCA Global Meeting will be held over two days:</u>

Saturday, August 21st at 8:30PM Beijing (8:30AM EST), and Sunday, August 22nd at 8:30PM Beijing (8:30AM EST).

RSVP:

https://www.democratsabroad.org/august2021_global_meeting

DPCA Home for Resolutions and more:

https://democratsabroad.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/AugDPCA2021/overview

Please pay close attention to proposed resolutions 9, 17, 19, and 20. These four resolutions relate to foreign policy, which is directly at odds with the Democrats Abroad's mission to adhere to domestic politics for the safety and security of all Americans abroad. DA China's DPCA members would like to simply state they plan to vote "nay" on all resolutions pertaining to international relations. We welcome all feedback regarding the proposed DPCA resolutions.

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Agenda.

BYLAWS & RULES COMMITTEE

Introduction to Process

• DPCA Amendment Proposal

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• Leadership Board Proposal

20 minutes

arassment Amendment Proposal 10 minutes

10 minutes

10 minutes



Bylaws & Rules

Committee



Open call for amendments & additions to DACN Bylaws

"The one constant through all the years, Ray, has been baseball. America has rolled by like an army of steamrollers. It has been erased like a blackboard, rebuilt and erased again. But baseball has marked the time. This field, this game: it's a part of our past, Ray. It reminds us of all that once was good and that could be again." **Field of Dreams**



The Bylaws Committee consists of appointed committee members who are assisting with time-intensive, detailed drafting work.

The Committee will consider any DACN-member submitted proposals and have established and announced a submissions process that is open to all members.

Bylaws committee will meet for closed deliberations; internally, the bylaws amendments will be divided up between members of the bylaws committee for detailed review. The full committee will review each proposal and deliberate

The Committee has the scope to make edits to reconcile proposals with the Bylaws and make proposals more clear for DACN members to vote on.

The Bylaws Committee will prepare to report on each amendment to the membership; the Committee will also hold an open meeting for public comment and feedback

Bylaws will be voted on by DACN members

Amendments that are made to the DACN Bylaws will be recorded during the meeting and a final, amended version of the DACN Bylaws will be prepared within 30 days after adjournment.

Committee Meetings

Group formed and announced by DACN Chair Liz Blackbourn on May 29, 2021. E-mail and WeChat groups created for the purpose of continuous Committee correspondence.

Meeting 1: June 21st

• Main Outputs: Establish format and structure

Meeting 2: July 14th

- Cory Stroik not present, cancelled due to a natural disaster.
- Meeting 3: August 12th
- Main outputs: Jacob Aldaco not present, reported back. Discussion centered on submissions and changes.

Meeting 4: August 15th

- Main outputs: Discussing of time sensitive DPCA Bylaw amendments.
- Discussing previously submitted Amendments from the last term, and newly received Amendments.
- Formulate a suggestion to the Board for voting at the next meeting(s).

Tentative August 22nd

• Dividing up all previously submitted amendments/suggestions/proposals. Differentiating between style and substantive changes. Organizing a workflow.

Tentative August 29th

• Working on first portion of divided amendments submitted.

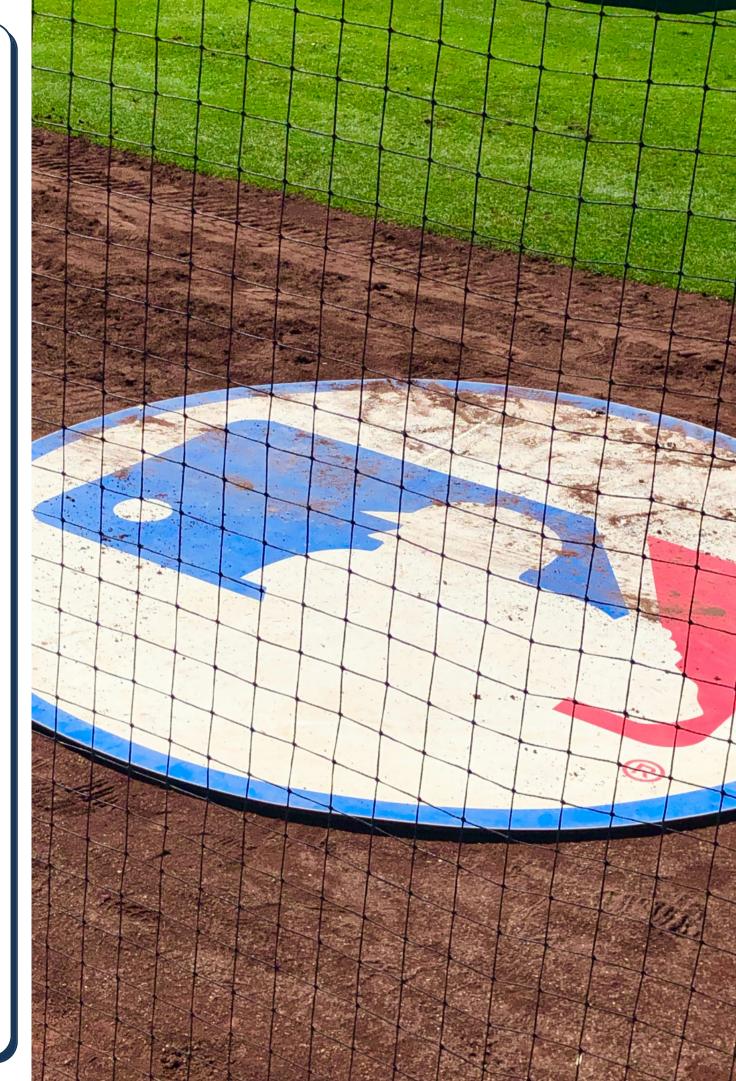
Tentative September 12th

• Finalizing first portion work, and prep before next leadership meeting to present to the Board.

Present Focus:

- August 16th Vote on time sensitive DPCA Bylaws Amendment.
- DACN Group Formation & Moderation Guidelines/Procedures, submitted as a set of rules, not as Bylaws.
- Confirming schedule
- Making recommendations on any new and previously submitted Bylaws carried over from the last term.
- Announcements for voting on any new and previously submitted Bylaws carried over from last term.

Central Record Depository: <u>https://democratsabroad.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/ccChina/overview</u>



12.1 Purpose. The DPCA Voting Representatives shall represent the views of DACN at the international meetings of the DPCA. The Country Chair and the Vice Chair are DPCA Voting Representatives by virtue of their offices. 12.2 Attendance. All DPCA Voting Representatives pledge to attend the AGM of DPCA. In the event that a DPCA Voting Representative is unable to attend a DPCA meeting, an alternate shall be appointed by the Chair with consent by a simple majority of the Board.

12.3 Election Procedure. DPCA shall inform DACN, upon request of the DACN Secretary, of the number of DPCA Voting Representatives to which DACN is entitled at any given AGM or other properly called meeting of DPCA. To elect the remaining DPCA Voting Representatives there will be a single slate of female, male, and non-binary candidates. Candidates may run for both a Board position and on the DPCA slate.

12.4 Election Process. DACN members vote for the Board positions and, simultaneously, for the additional number of DPCA Voting Representatives and alternates, to which DACN is entitled. Once the Board positions have been declared elected: a. The elected names, if also appearing on the slate of DPCA candidates, will be removed.

b. Based on the self-declared sex distribution of the Board, the candidates with the most votes of each sex will be declared winners such that the DPCA representation is sex balanced. If the number of allowed DPCA Voting Representatives for DACN is an odd number, the imbalance on the elected DPCA Voting Representatives shall be of the opposite sex of the larger sex comprising the Board. If the number of elected DPCA Voting Representatives is an odd number, the final DPCA Voting Representative position will go to the candidate who received the most votes.

12.5 Alternates. In the event that a DPCA Voting Representative is unable to fulfill duties of the position, a candidate of the same sex as said representative, who shall have initially run for the position on the slate, shall serve as the alternate. If no such alternate is available, the Board shall elect the alternate by majority vote.

12.6 Counting of Non-binary Sex or Gender Representatives. A non-binary DPCA Voting Representative shall not be counted for the purposes of gender parity, but the remainder of the delegation shall be equally divided between male and female. 12.7 Vote Extension: If the number of allowed DPCA Voting Representatives for DACN extends past 2 votes, the remaining DPCA Voting Representative duty will be given to DACN Secretary, then DACN Treasurer, etc. in order of elected officers of the Executive Committee. If this balance cannot be maintained by the elected Executive Committee members, the Chair, with a simple majority approval from the Board, shall assign the DPCA Voting Representative duties to an appropriate member of the Board.

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3.7 DACN recognizes the right of all DA members to volunteer in an environment free of harassment and to attend events free of harassment. DACN will consider behavior to be harassment when such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive environment for DA members or volunteers, or interfering with a volunteer's performance. Harassment can include behavior or communications (verbal or non-verbal) and can include statements or actions that are offensive or objectionable to the recipient, cause the recipient humiliation, or interfere with the recipient's ability to participate in an event or activity. Sexual harassment occurs where the perpetrator engages in unwanted conduct of a sexual nature and that conduct has the purpose or effect referred to above. DACN Board members will be held responsible for protection of the entity. Any reports, consequences, and situations regarding harassment and sexual harassment will be dealt with seriously.





Discussion points:

- A bylaws amendment for the adoption of 3.7 was received prior to the May AGM, but not voted on.
- This new clause is intended to address issues of harassment experienced in the past year, both by indicating unacceptable behavior and outlining a means of responding to such behavior.
- Article 3.7 was authored by members of the previous Leadership Board and the amendment was proposed offically by former Chair Kim Wong. It is being reassessed and feedback can be issued directly to the Bylaws Committee and current Chair Elizabeth Blackbourn.







Article IX Role of the Treasurer & Rules for Finance

9.1 Responsibilities: Together with the Chair, the Treasurer shall manage the finances of DACN, prepare financial reports for approval at monthly Board meetings, and prepare budget and cash flow forecasts for approval by the Board. Additionally, the Treasurer shall maintain the financial records of DACN and make and maintain such additional financial reports as may be required by law. The Treasurer shall consult with the International Treasurer of Democrats Abroad on matters concerning the maintenance of financial records and financial reporting (notably to the United States Federal Election Commission, and any successor thereto). The Treasurer shall prepare and present to the Annual General Meeting of DACN a Statement of Income and Expenses and a Balance Sheet based on a fiscal year ending within two weeks of the date of the Annual General Meeting, including documentation of any ongoing expenditures or financial dealings. All such records shall be available for review by the Board and the International Treasurer of Democrats Abroad.

9.2 Bank account authority: The Chair and Treasurer shall have joint signature authority on any and all DACN banking accounts.

9.3 Authority for spending and reimbursements: Any expenditures in excess of or equivalent to Chinese RMB 300 (or equivalent) must be approved by both the Chair and Treasurer, and any reimbursement in amounts in excess of this level requires their pre-approval. Any expenditures or reimbursement in excess of Chinese RMB 1,000 (or equivalent) require prior approval by the majority of the DACN Executive Committee. Any expenditure below these amounts may be approved for spending or reimbursement by the Chair or Treasurer.





Article X Role of the Treasurer & Rules for Finance

Discussion points:

- A bylaws amendment on expenditure approval was received prior to the May AGM, but not voted on.
- Note the addition of a new clause concerning rules for approving spending and reimbursement, which could help prevent issues experienced with the recent unapproved request for spending on a parliamentarian for the AGM.
- Note that DA China currently has no bank accounts or plans to establish any in China at this time.
- DACN's expenditure approval and spending limits as addressed in new proposals were precedent and furthermore discussed in at least two prior calls.
- This text also outlines additional responsibilities for the Treasurer based on: Global guidance, DA Canada bylaws, DA Germany bylaws, and other CC bylaws.
- Perceived need

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• Treasurer and Finance rules have been reassessed and rewritten in coordination with Treasurer Anders Hove, Chair Elizabeth Blackbourn and the Bylaws Committee.

Batter up for Big Changes!

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OFFICERS

CHAIR VICE CHAIR SECRETARY TREASURER DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR OF IT BOARD MEMBERS AT-LARGE - ASSIGNED ROLES (2)

AT-LARGE - GENERAL ROLES (2) GOTV COORDINATOR

The Leadership Board is Ready for a Change-Up!

APPOINTED NON-VOTING BOARD MEMBERS

DEPUTY COMMUNICATIONS OFFICERS (UP TO 3)

GENERAL COUNSEL



PROPOSED CHANGES TO ARTICLES IV & V



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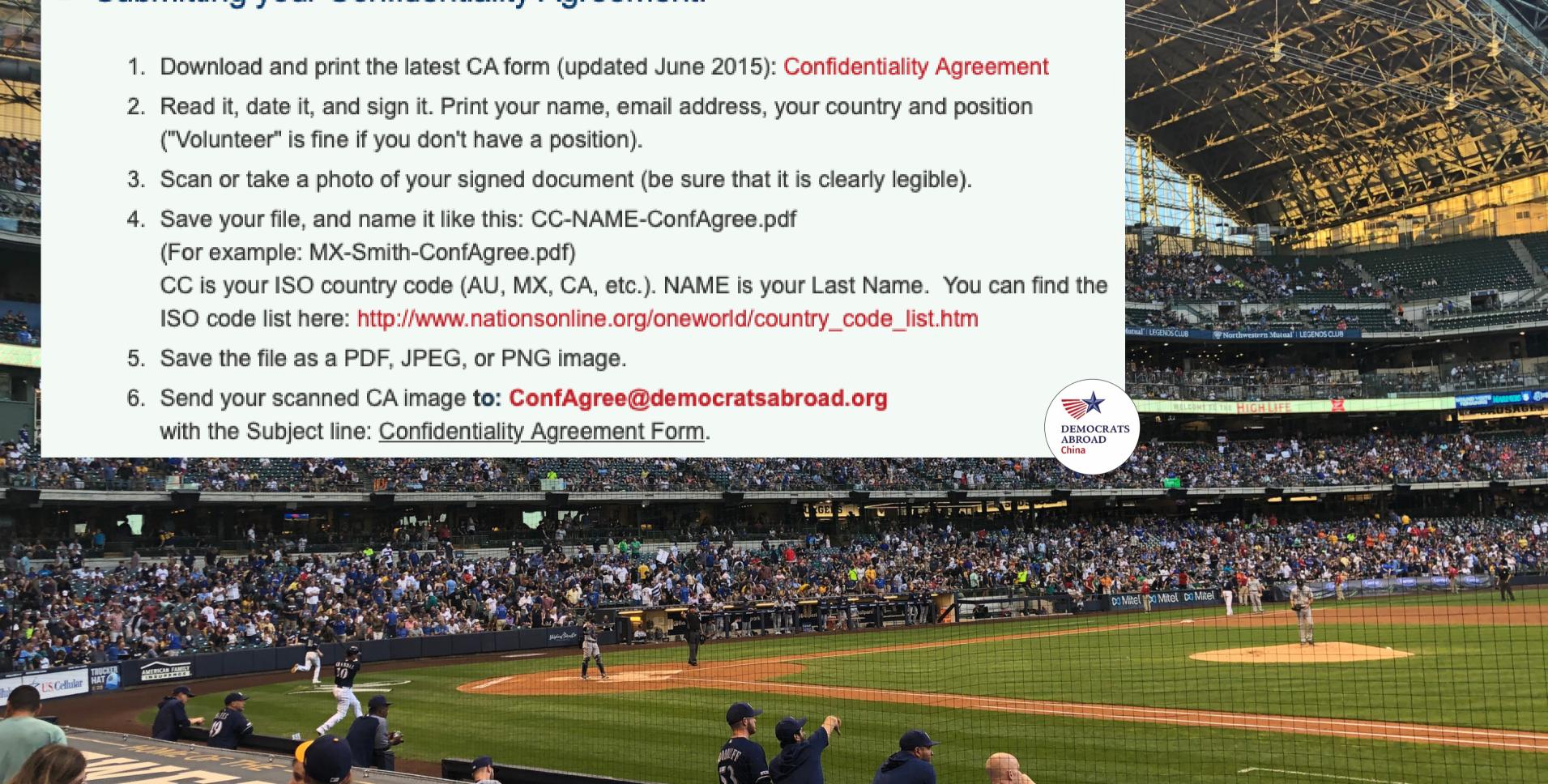






Submitting your Confidentiality Agreement:

- ("Volunteer" is fine if you don't have a position).
- (For example: MX-Smith-ConfAgree.pdf)
- with the Subject line: Confidentiality Agreement Form.





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BREWERS VS. CUBS 1:20 P.M. Funds on August 16, 2021

RMB 12,279

Total Revenues (Jul 1-Aug 16) • RMB 1,800

Total Expenditures (Jul 1-Aug 16)RMB 9,358

• Excludes one

reimbursement request regarding AGM parliamentarian (US\$600)

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JUNE, 1998 SOSA HITS 20 HOME RUNS, THE RECORD FOR ANY ONE MONTH IN MAJOR LEAGUE HISTORY.

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AUGUST 20, 1998 -SHEA STADIUM vs METS-MC GWIRE BECOMES THE FIRST PLAYER TO HIT 50 OR MORE HOME RUNS IN THREE STRAIGHT SEASONS.

> SEPTEMBER 20, 1998 -CAMDEN YARDS VS YANKEES-CAMDEN VOLUNTARILY ENDS RIPKEN VOLUNTARILY ENDS CTREAK OF A RECORD

MARK MC GWIRE ST. LOUIS CARDINALS

> SEPTEMBER 8, 1998 -BUSCH STADIUM vs CUBS-MC GWIRE HITS HIS 62ND HOME RUN OF THE SEASON, BREAKING ROGER MARIS'S COVETED RECORD.

> > SEPTEMBER 27, 1998 BUSCH STADIUM VS EXPOS-MC GWIRE HITS A 370 FT. HOME RUN, ENDING THE SEASON WITH 70.









