



EYD Statement to the Press:

The Escondido Young Democrats (EYD) stand with the San Diego County Democratic Party's (SDCDP) Censure of Matthew "Matt" Corrales, issued last year, prior to recent allegations of pedophilic behavior. As the Censure notes, Corrales has shown a pattern of harassment toward women. Recently Corrales has been identified in a CC Unit YouTube video alleging he sought to solicit sex with a minor. We vehemently condemn Matthew Corrales and his enablers. We are thankful and respect the party's guidance on this issue, and hope that the Escondido Democratic Club follow's the party's leadership in this matter.

A member of EYD and the EDC brought the issue of Corrales' harassment toward himself and others to the EDC Executive Board on January 23rd, 2021. The EDC Executive Board refused to pursue removal in spite of the Party's censure and a significant body of evidence of the harassing and intimidating behavior demonstrated by Corrales. As a result of this decision, Corrales remained a member of EDC until Tuesday, June 15th at 8:59am, per an email from members of the Escondido Democratic Club executive board.

EYD has known for months about Corrales' propensity for harassment and incivility towards those he disagrees with. We condemn his harassment, as well as his alleged actions in the CC Unit Video. Some members of the EDC Executive Board failed to act to terminate Corrales'

membership thereby exposing their members to months of vitriolic attacks. This is in stark contrast to the leadership of the SDCDP and other Democratic organizations where decisive action was taken to separate Corrales from their membership. Therefore, we strongly urge the EDC Executive Board Members who refused to take action resign effective immediately.

We have actual work to do in improving our communities, and harassment like this distracts us from the issues that push our government forward in an equitable direction.

Factual Sheet:

- Matthew Corrales is not a member of the Democratic Party.
- Matthew Corrales left the Democratic Party after voters rejected him in his races for Vallecitos Water District and after Democratic voters rejected him in his bid to be a Party delegate.
- The only affiliation Matthew Corrales had with the Party was as a member of the Escondido Democratic Club as a result of the actions of some members of the EDC Executive Board. Otherwise, he is not a Democrat and has no affiliation with our Party.
- Matthew Corrales voted for Republican Congressman Darrel Issa.