SAN PEDRO DEMOCRATIC CLUB Minutes of September 24, 2018 Meeting

The meeting was held at Think Café, 302 W. 5th Street, San Pedro, CA 90731, and was called to order at 7:10 PM.

A motion was made by Linda Bassett to amend the agenda by adding the AQMD meeting, seconded by Pat Stanyo, and the amended agenda was approved unanimously.

REPORTS:

President: Carrie Scoville discussed the FDR Banquet honoring volunteers of the year, including our own Tom Butler for AD70. The CDC is asking for reaffiliation of the clubs. Julian Burger moved to reaffiliate. Pat Stanyo seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The dates for our November meeting and December party will be discussed at next month's meeting.

Pat Stanyo reported that CARA (California Association for Retired Americans) is doing drives to Orange County and that State Senator Steven Bradford was at their meeting.

1st VP Programs: Linda Bassett reported on the Women's Pledge to Vote Rally.

2nd VP Membership: Shannon Ross is forming a holiday party committee. There was a motion to approve the holiday party committee by Linda Bassett. Tom Butler seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Shannon discussed her successful beach cleanup, Club T-shirts, and the Parents of Murdered Children event. She said we have 3 new members, 9 renewals, and a total of 99 members.

Secretary: Jim Dear moved to approve Susan Tucker's minutes of the August meeting. Robert Farrell seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer: Tom Butler reported expenses of \$36.45 for photocopying and \$255 for Random Lengths advertising, for a total of \$291.45. Our beginning balance was \$2,361.94, and the ending balance is \$2,070.49. Pat Stanyo moved to accept the Treasurer's report. R.G. Wong seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

PROGRAM:

Endorsements:

- Lt. Governor We had presentations by Senator Steve Bradford on behalf of Dr. Ed Hernandez and Dallas Fowler on behalf of Eleni Kounalakis. We held a vote, and the results were 32 ballots, no spoils or abstentions. 17 votes for Dr. Ed Hernandez, and 15 votes for Eleni Kounalakis, so there will be no Club endorsement for Lt. Governor.
- L.A. County Assessor Jeffrey Prang is the only Democratic candidate. Jim Dear moved that we officially endorse him by acclamation. Julian Burger seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.
- Carson City Council Jim Dear and Louie Diaz spoke. There are 2 seats available. Joseph Pinon moved to endorse both candidates. Harold Williams seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- West Basin Municipal Water District Division 1 Harold Williams was present and described their purpose as the delivery of wholesale water to our region. Darryl Sweeney moved that we endorse Harold Williams. Pat Stanyo seconded. The motion passed with one nay vote.
- L.A. City Proposition B, Public Bank Ben Hauck spoke in favor, and Jack Humphreyville with the Greater Wilshire Neighborhood Council spoke in opposition. The proposition would allow the City to pursue creating a public bank. We voted to support Prop B, with 16 yes votes, 2 no votes, and 3 abstentions.

OLD BUSINESS: Linda Bassett and R.G. Wong attended the AQMD meeting. The board members were split on MHF, with 2 opposing it and 3 wanting more studies. There a lot of Wilmington community members there who spoke. Linda and R.G. and others walked out.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Stacey Michaels passed out signs in support of UTLA. She said the Superintendent doesn't want to meet with him and that strike authorization support is high.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 PM.