

DEMCCO General Meeting

January 28, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Pro Tem, Bob Spencer, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda: It was moved/seconded (M.Bullock/Dalpe) to approve the Agenda. The motion passed.

Approval of Minutes: It was moved/seconded (S.Anderson/Dalpe) to approve the Minutes of the October 22, 2016 meeting. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report (Mary Meyers):

There is currently \$8500 in the bank. \$5700 political contributions was made last year. The proposed budget for 2017 will be presented at the next meeting.

Political Action Committee Report (Pat McFarlane): There were 65 attendees today. All were enthusiastic. We are working to get information out. PAC secretary, Amanda Mascia, will put together information and send it out to everyone who has given us their email address. An event this coming week is a rally on saving our healthcare on Jan 31 at Darrell Issa's office in Vista. *Note: there will be rallies at Darrell Issa's office every Tuesday during the month of February.*

Recognition of Guests, Visitors and New Members:

Elected Officials: Cipriano Vargas (Vista School Board Trustee), Esther Sanchez (Oceanside City Councilmember), Ann Corwin (Oceanside School Board Trustee), Zack Beck (Oceanside City Clerk), Cori Schumacher (Carlsbad City Councilmember)
Newly elected 76 Assembly District Delegates: Chris Barrosso (also elected to the state Executive Board), Marggie Castellano, Cori Schumacher, PJ Duke, Linda Hamilton Breen, Cipriano Vargas, Kyle Bright, Luke Tesluk, Barbara Mead.

Future 49th District U.S. Congressman Doug Applegate:

The 2016 election was short by 1,621 votes. We received just under 40% of the vote in Orange County (no Democrat had ever received more than 32% in the past) and a majority of the vote in San Diego County.

On December 28, 2016, Doug announced his intent to run again in 2018. It's incorrect to think that working harder will make the campaign successful next time. New strategies, a different effort is required. We need Democrats, Progressives, Liberals, Independents and some Republicans to vote for Doug. The 49th Congressional District is still a Republican District.

A precinct captain program has begun. Precinct captains are around all the time. They talk to neighbors and friends to convince/educate them about voting for the right candidate. Training will start in March. 400 precinct captains are needed both by geographical region and social groups. Go to ApplegateForCongress.com to sign up.

Announcements:

- Esther Sanchez announced she is running for Board of Supervisors in 2018.
- Cori Schumacher is actively working on issues important to the Carlsbad community, contact her to discuss how to run a campaign.

Millennial Political Activism (Kyle Krahel):

Today's millennials are the most diverse in history. Activism is as important as voting. They detest money corruption of politics and the establishment. They want passion.

DEMCCO Election Update:

According to the DEMCCO Bylaws, a member must have paid his/her dues 30 days before being able to vote in an election. Members paying today would be ineligible to vote in the election on February 25 as it is 28 days from today. It was moved and seconded (Kadah/Scott) that members who pay their dues today will be able to vote in the election on February 25, 2017. A substitute motion was made and seconded (Dalpe/Kadah) that the election be changed to the March 25 meeting. The substitute motion passed.

DEMCCO Candidates Statements:

President

- **Bill Fowler:** DEMCCO member for several years. Open, transparent and inclusive of all Democrats. We need to move forward now. Thrilled that several people from Cori Schumacher's campaign are participating because they are winners. Wants to improve infrastructure. #1 priority is electing Doug Applegate for Congress.
- **Barbara Mead:** Stepping forward now. Has been visiting clubs and finds that all are developing new members. Noted that other clubs are meeting in interest groups in addition to their general meetings. She describes herself as a campaigner person and was previously an elected member of the school board of Carlsbad.

Treasurer:

- **Mary Meyers:** Member since 2004 member. Treasurer since 2012. Has knowledge of bookkeeping and Federal Political Party Commission (FPPC) regulations.

Political Action Chair:

- **Ken Dalpe:** A nuts and bolts person. We need to get people out to vote—have more people, do work starting now. Wants to mobilize Oceanside and Carlsbad. Plans to have a Carlsbad co-chair.
- **Pat McFarlane:** She is getting out the Minutes. Now there's a different way of doing things -- more people, more energy.

Membership Chair:

- **Sheila Kadah:** Plan is to promote membership, hold meetings of Membership Committee once a month

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Communications:

- **Amanda Mascia:** A marketing professional, campaign director Cori Schumacher's campaign, did training and ran Facebook campaigns for Lilac Hills and Campaign A. Need to be welcoming and show our Democratic values.

Special Events:

- **Vince Loughney:** Special Events Chair since 2005. Expanded events to include Pride at the Beach, NAACP, and Women's March. Has people and organizational skills to get volunteers.
- **Destiny Savage:** First DEMCCO meeting. Background includes degree in Public Policy from USC, worked for Barbara Boxer, in the Navy for 12 years. Has background in events. Plans to work hand-in-hand with the political action committee.

Nominating Committee:

- **Pat Amador:** Member for one year. Has worked on Carlsbad Measure A and the Cori Schumacher campaign. Active in Carlsbad with Planning Commission and City Council. Will work to get good slate of candidates.
- **Donna Rencsak:** Member for 5 years. Looking for members with officer qualities that represent DEMCCO.
- **Andrea France Sanders**

Announcements:

- **The Borgen Project** (McKenna Lux): Grassrpts level to make sure political leaders know about community needs to end poverty and hunger. Asking for help to contact Senators, volunteering or participating in internships all over the country.
- **Ruben Major:** Encouraged by crowd, running for AD 76 Assemblymember. Plans to be nominated from the floor for the DEMCCO Nominating Committee. Background includes paramedic, law degree and owner of school. Is a native American. Contact: rubenmajor.com

50/50 Drawing: \$46 won!

Adjournment: It was moved and seconded (Dalpe/Slater) to adjourn the meeting at 12:08 p.m. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Slater, Secretary

Approved 2/25/17