

# DEMCCO Executive Board Minutes

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August 10, 2023

MEMBERS PRESENT: Michele Cyr, President  
Linda Slater, Past President  
Denise Saiz – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
Barbara Collins, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President  
Mary Meyers, Treasurer  
Esther Sanchez, Political Action Chair  
Jan Neff-Sinclair, Communications Chair  
Janet Bledsoe Lacy, Fundraising Chair  
Angie Knappenberger, Secretary

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

GUESTS: Patti Slack  
Daniel Dominguez  
John MacDowell (Parliamentarian)  
Phyllis Dominquez  
Ann Crosbie

- I. The meeting was called to order by Michele Cyr at 5:30 pm.  
The agenda was approved without objection.
  
- II. The Minutes of the July 13, 2023 EBoard meeting were approved without objections.
  
- III. **Voting in of new EBoard Membership Chair :**
  - Michele has received an official letter from Ann Crosbie resigning as Membership Chair
  - Janet Bledsoe Lacy moved to approve Patti Slack as Membership Chair; Barbara Collins seconded; There was no discussion. The motion was approved without objection.
  - ⊖ Linda Slater moved that the new membership chair provide a report at every EBoard meeting with an update on DEMCCO membership and provide information for newsletters; Barbara Collins seconded. The motion was approved without objection.

## IV. New Business

**A. Discussion of Endorsement of Phyllis Dominguez for Treasurer of Oceanside 2024; Neal Meyers for Olivenhain Municipal Water District Director, Division 5; any other possible candidates identified**

- Phyllis Dominguez addressed the EBoard about why she was running for Treasurer of Oceanside; A candidate questionnaire is required as this would be a new endorsement and a 14 days notice is required for a vote by our membership. Any consideration of an endorsement in any race requires giving all Democrats running in that race to be considered for endorsement. If Victor Roy wants to be considered for endorsement, he does not have to complete the questionnaire because he's an incumbent.
- Discussion of Neal Meyers moved to the next EBoard meeting

**V. Officer and Chair Reports**

Reports were given.

- Past President, Linda Slater, noted that the Ad Hoc Committee to revise the bylaws has not met yet ((John MacDowell, Ann Crosbie, Linda Slater, Michele Cyr)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Denise Saiz, noted that she is working on the August General Meeting and the topic will be the affordable housing crisis.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Barbara Collins, will be attending the Council of Clubs Summit on August 26<sup>th</sup> so Denise will take on her responsibilities for coordinating set-up and take down at the General Meeting.
- Political Action Chair, Esther Sanchez, advised that the Garden Party is set for August 27<sup>th</sup> from 2-4 pm; Michele Cyr moved that \$250 be approved for sponsorship along with the North Coastal Area of the San Diego County Democratic Party for this event, Esther Sanchez seconded. The motion was approved without objection.
- Communications Chair, Jan Neff-Sinclair, will put a "Save the Date" in the newsletter for the Garden Party
- Treasurer, Mary Meyers, reported on the amount in our account as \$5102.
- Membership Chair (outgoing), Ann Crosbie, will meet with incoming chair, Patti Slack, to ensure a smooth transition; we currently have 167 members
- Fundraising Chair, Janet Bledsoe Lacy, is working on a fundraising party for DEMCCO for September or October

**VI. Unfinished Business**

- A.** Draft Resolution regarding replacing July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks with laser shows
- Michele Cyr will meet with Ann Crosbie to work out the wording

**VII. New Business (continued)**

**A. Discussion of Club Rep Selection Process**

- Per our bylaws, our representatives to the Pre-Endorsement Conference in October will be determined at our August General Meeting

**B. Discussion of Polices & Procedures/Bylaws/Committees**

- Angie Knappenberger moved that any committee chairs that have a committee bring a list of their committee members to the next EBoard meeting to be approved; Michele Cyr seconded. The motion was approved without objection. Linda Slater said this interpretation conflicted with the bylaws requirement that standing committee chairs are elected by the members and suggested further investigation is needed.

**C. August Meeting planning for General Meeting August 26, 2023**

- See reports; Michele will meet with Denise about details

**VIII. Announcements**

**IX. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 pm. Next meeting is September 14, 2023 @ 5:30pm

Submitted by Angie Knappenberger, Secretary

Approved September 7, 2023