

DEMOCRATS OF THE MORONGO BASIN GENERAL MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 9, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Dianne Greenhouse at 10:07 a.m.

Johnny Tolbert led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda: Phyllis Moss moved and Dru Coiner seconded that the agenda be approved with the addition of consideration of the support letter for AD 273, the ban on fur trapping.

Minutes: Rich Mettling moved and Bill Masters seconded that the minutes be approved as presented. The motion passed

Treasurer Report: The Club has \$3527. There is one outstanding check for \$50. The income from the SteaknShake dinner evening has not yet arrived.

Election: The nominating committee presented their slate of officers for election. Each candidates name was presented individually and President Greenhouse asked three times if there were nominations from the floor. The following officers were elected for two year terms; President, Rebecca Unger; First Vice President, Johnny Tolbert; Second Vice President, JoAnn Bollen; Secretary, Paula Durrant; Treasurer, Yolanda Brown; Members at large, Deborah Dunaway and Gayl Swarat.

Speaker: Newly elected President Rebecca Unger introduced Tom O'Key who spoke about his work in getting legislation passed at the state level to ban the trapping of furry animals. It is cruel and is not profitable. There is a facebook group, Yes on AB273. Everyone is encouraged to join.

Community Outreach: We discussed the Peace Pole, Border Kindness, our Democratic values; participating in the Adult Literacy Commission Spell-a-thon & more. Francis and Phyllis Moss, Dru Coiner, Deborah Dunaway, Gayl Swarat, Jennifer Decker all volunteered so we will have two teams.

Motion of support: It was moved by Paula Durrant and seconded by Matthew Campos to pledge \$100 in support of the Spell-a-Thon. The motion passed.

Political Research and Strategy: President Unger is hoping to find volunteers to attend every meeting in the Basin in order that the club have a visible presence and a working knowledge of the work being done. We need to know about the decisions made as well as what Democrat might be a good fit for that board of committee. JoAnn Bollen shared that the MB Haven should be added to the list as should the SB County Supervisors meetings.

SB County Central Committee. Our Club now has several people who are also members of the Central Committee: Matthew Campos, Dianne Greenhouse, Marc Greenhouse, Marge Doyle, Hector Vara, and JoAnn Bollen who is attending as an observer.

ADEM 42 Election Complaint: Paula Durrant reported that we filed a complaint with CADEMS about the procedural errors in that election. We do not expect a new election but we do expect that those errors will not be made again.

Chambers: Beverly Scott is attending the YV chamber for us. She was warmly welcomed.

Fundraising: Dinners are the easiest way to make money. All we need to do is go out for dinner on the designated night and the club makes money. More events are coming, including June 11th at Las Palmas. Gayl Swarat has made club stickers which are \$3.00 each.

JoAnn Bollen reported that there is a training session on voter registration February 16th that she plans to attend. She also reported that there is a phone app called "5 calls" which notifies you of actions on issues of concern to you and with one click communicates your opinion to the proper individuals.

Adjourn: Gary Biggs moved and Dianne Greenhouse seconded that the meeting adjourn at 11:55 am.

Respectfully submitted, Paula Durrant Club Secretary.