

DEMOCRATS OF THE MORONGO BASIN GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING JANUARY 9, 2021 MINUTES

The ZOOM meeting was called to order by President Johnny Tolbert at 1:06 pm.

President Tolbert led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA: Jo Ann Bollen moved and Dianne Greenhouse seconded that we approve the agenda as distributed. The motion passed.

MINUTES: Beverly Scott moved and Deborah Dunaway seconded that the Minutes be approved as written. The motion passed

TREASURER REPORT: Yolanda Brown reported that the club has \$1530 in the bank and \$70 in the Good Trouble Fund.

CONVERSATION: The club had a long conversation about the attempted coup and the context in which it took place. We want to schedule a special meeting to discuss racism. The Board will work on that. We were all in shock that the President so boldly incited the attack, that the attack was so violent, and that our elected officials were in very real physical danger. We were also concerned that in spite of the obvious racist and uncaring President 70 million people voted for him.

BYLAWS: The proposed amendment to bring our club calendar in alignment with the Central Committee calendar was again presented to the membership. The changes proposed mean that the dates for the nominating committee to begin, the club to receive the report and the election to be held will be moved back one month. Nominating begin in October, present in November and December and vote at the January meeting.

MOTION: Paula Durrant moved and Deborah Dunaway seconded that the bylaws be amended as presented. The motion passed.

OUTREACH: Rich Mettling reported on a zoom gathering for the Inauguration. It was decided to drop our car parade idea due to the insurrection last Wednesday.

The ADENDA was approved with several additions; AD42 candidate endorsements, an online gathering on Inauguration Day, a parade that day, and programs at meetings.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE: The AD42 delegate elections are underway. Ballots may be requested until January 11th. There is a slate that includes three club members: Jo Ann Bollen, Brad

Napientek and Dave Weiner. Biographical statements on all candidates are on the CADEM website.

ENDORSEMENT: Paula Durrant moved and Dianne Greenhouse seconded that the club endorse Brad Napientek and Jo Ann Bollen. The motion passed. [Dave joined the club a day before our meeting and the board did not have the opportunity to vote on endorsing him. We can highly recommend voting for him.]

SCHOLARSHIP: Krista Canales, a new club member, has volunteered to serve as chair of the Scholarship Committee. President Tolbert then appointed her to that job.

FUNDRAISING: Debra Savitt has trees available. The online auction site is set up. We are waiting for Matthew Campos to provide pictures and descriptions of the items.

GENERAL COMMENTS: New member David Weiner spoke to introduce himself and speak of his goals should he be a CADEM delegate. Mark Westwood who attended our meeting as a visitor also spoke on his work for the Democratic party.

Respectfully submitted Paula Durrant Club Secretary