## DEMOCRATS OF THE MORONGO BASIN GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING DECEMBER 11 2021



## MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Tolbert at 10:13 via Zoom.

We shared the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA: Matthew Campos rose to state that the election could not be held until January because of our bylaws. The Agenda was amended to change the word 'election' to 'report' of the Nominating Committee. Liz Neff moved and Matthew seconded that the Agenda be accepted with the amendment. The motion passed.

MINUTES: Deborah Dunaway moved and Liz Neff seconded that the minutes of the November meeting be approved as presented. The motion passed.

TREASURER: Yolanda Brown reported that the club has \$3121.67

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE: PRESIDENT – JO ANN BOLLEN FIRST VICE PRESIDENT – CARRIE WILLIAMS SECOND VICE PRESIDENT – CODY BRIGGS SECRETARY – DEBORAH DUNAWAY TREASURER – MATTHEW CAMPOS MEMBER AT LARGE – DEBRA SAVITT MEMBER AT LARGE – PAULA DURRANT

VOTER REGISTRATION: January 6<sup>th</sup> has been chosen as a date to work hard to register voters – in response to the attempted coup. We discussed a rally or other event and were reluctant to sponsor given the political climate in the basin.

HI DESERT STAR AD: It was moved by Paula Durrant and seconded by Jo Ann Bollen that the club purchase an ad in response to the Lincoln Club ad. The club will designate \$500. The motion passed.

Edited to add: There was considerable discussion about this ad, and the funding. The Morongo Basin Coalition for Social Justice (now disbanded) had accumulated funds for messaging in the Morongo Basin (billboards). That money will be added to the DMB advertising funds for messaging. From Paula Durrant:

1. The December ad was paid fully by a donation from a club member. No club funds were used.

2. When the club voted \$ 500 for these ads our treasurer, Yolanda Brown, deposited that money into the Coalition for Social Justice account - because we understood that the ads would be paid from that account until it reached a zero balance.

There is currently (Feb. 7, 2022) \$1,459.61 in the MBCSJ account that will go towards DMB messaging.

REDISTRICTING: There is still time to object to the latest version of the map. wedrawthelinesca.org.

CANDIDATES: Carrie Williams spoke of the importance of finding school board candidates. She & her sister are both considering running.

RACISM: Nothing has happened in the Basin in response to the Board of Supervisors declaring racism a public health issue.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Jo Ann Bollen moved and Deborah Dunaway seconded that we adjourn at 11:15 the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted Paula Durrant Club Secretary *Revised by Deborah Dunaway, 2022 Club Secretary*