

Building the Democratic Party in Summerlin and the Western Valley

RED ROCK DEMOCRATIC CLUB GENERAL MEETING MARCH 22, 2017

President Dan Kruger called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Norman Paley lead the Pledge of Allegiance for the membership. New members were recognized.

In the absence of Treasurer Edith Byrd Ginni Kruger read the Treasurer's Report. A detailed Treasurer's report is available upon request by current members. Bruce McLeod made the motion to approve as read. Shirley Koegel seconded the motion. Members approved the motion.

Frank Fopiano made the motion that the General Meeting minutes from February not be read and it should be approved. Kris Kolhoss seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the membership.

President's Report – Dan announced the addition to the Red Rock Democratic Club board of Apryl Lyttle. She will be taking over many of the social media functions. He asked that the members and guests please "Like" the Club on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. The by-laws of the Club need some updating and the Board is looking into potential changes. These will be brought forth to the membership for approval if there are any changes. April 8th will be the next Clark County Central Committee meeting. It will be located at the Tropicana beginning at 10 AM. If you are not currently a member and would like to become one, please contact Rich Cornstuble who is present tonight. He will need your name, address, email and phone number to put you on the Central Committee member listing. Dan spoke about the many political protests and gatherings are occurring around town. He then talked about the trip to Carson City that he and Ginni had just returned from. The Nevada Women Lobby group conference was held there over the weekend. He spoke on the instructions the attendees had on how to lobby your elected officials. There is another trip being planned by Battle Born Progress for early May. Everyone interested was asked to contact Verna Mandez with Institute for Progressive Nevada. Dan reminded everyone to please pay their 2017 membership dues and to make sure everyone verifies their information is up to date.

Howard Beckerman, the chair of our upcoming fundraiser – "Beat the Heat" spoke about what will be happening. It will be a brunch on August 12th at the Temple Sinai from 9:30 until Noon. A sign-up sheet was passed around as many helpers are needed to make this fundraiser a success.

Speaker for the evening was Chris Miller from Clark County Democratic Party. There are 21 clubs and caucuses with 2 more in the process of being chartered. The mission of the Party is to assist in the election of Democratic candidates, assist with leadership training, registration of voters and to raise money. Chris spoke about how the Clark County Democratic Party functions, what the money that is raised is used for and how endorsements are made.

Dates to remember are April 8th – Central Committee Meeting

July 8th – Elections of officers of the Central Committee

Dan introduced local candidates and gave them time to speak on behalf of their campaign. City early elections are going on right now. Everyone that is eligible is encouraged to vote early and get as many of your neighbors to vote as well. These elections have fewer voters and literally, a single vote can determine a winner.

Winners of the "Bring a Friend Challenge" were Jason Braun and Mini Bergman. They received a gift certificate to Starbucks and Coldstone Creamery.

Crystal Eller was the winner for Pot of Gold and received \$31.00. Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Submitted by Ginni Kruger, Recording Secretary