



MINUTES OF STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, April 5th, 2018

Location: Plummer Park Room 4, West Hollywood, CA

- I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Aponte at 7:03 P.M.
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A written agenda was presented and approved.
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the last Steering Committee meeting held on March 1st, 2018 was presented and approved.
- IV. PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Lester Aponte
 - A. Stoneys, Stoneys, Stoneys
 1. Thank you to the committee for all their hard work. Please continue to make calls and collect sponsorships.
- V. POLITICAL VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Jane Wishon
 - A. AD 45: Jesse Gabriel Endorsement Recommendation to membership.
 1. Seconded and approved.
 - B. Legislative Committee Report
 1. Action items will be reviewed and the committee is acting to further our approved legislation. The committee is reviewing a number of newer state and federal bills for submission to the Steering Committee.
 2. Motion to approve the support positions
 - a) Seconded and approved.
 - C. Judicial and Sheriff Endorsement interviews
 1. There are a number of interviews being schedule with candidates towards the end of this month. A number of candidates have submitted their applications. The questionnaire is being finalized.
 - D. Westside Democratic HQ Pep Rally & Fundraiser
 1. Funding a brick-and-mortar place to try and flip the house. Phone banking and more. Please volunteer! There will be swag for sale. Please see the flyer or website at westsidedemhq.org
 - E. Appointments Committee Report
 1. Short google form has been made and will be sent out. This if for training/help getting appointments. Please share it! It will be sent out again.
 - F. Katie Hill Fundraiser
 1. We have endorsed her, and are looking into additional support. Possible a wine and cheese with Heart of L.A. Dem club. We will try to make calls in the election area, tentatively set for May 6th.
- VI. COMMUNITY VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Amanda Smash Hyde
 - A. Pride Committee Report
 1. It's that time of year! Pride season. The team has grown. This year we will be participating in the parade and the festival. We have submitted our applications to L.A. pride. Unfortunately we will likely have to pay a higher registration fee, due to new categories for fees. We will also have a new model that involves a marching contingent with several pickup trucks and giant balloons. We will be



selling swag and building our brand. The committee has drafted up a high level budget, estimated cost for L.A. Pride being around \$6,000. Including Long Beach Pride, the committee is asking for \$7,000.

2. Motion to raise and spend \$7,000 for the various Pride events.
 - a) Motion seconded and approved. Goes to membership.

B. Stoneys Report

1. Please review the sponsorship spreadsheet and make your calls. Please help us get as many donors as possible. There are a number of ways to inform others about our various sponshipn levels. Lester will be giving a certificate to whomever raises the most money. We need volunteers to call through the document list, doing about 20 calls each. Current volunteers are Nadia, L. Buisson, Barbara, and Marcus. Please contact Michael Barth for further details. There are many options for donations, supporting and even attending.
2. Motion to direct Brandon to take Wells Fargo's blood money to help cover costs.
 - a) Seconded and approved with 13 for, 4 against, and 4 abstentions.

C. Appointment.

1. Special Events Chair - Samantha Myles
 - a) Motion to appoint Samantha Miles as Chair of Special Events
 - b) Motion seconded and approved. Congratulations!

VII. COMMUNICATIONS VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Sean Kolodji

A. Podcast Update

1. Katie Hill is our headline interviewee this month. The podcast is doing great, thank you to the team.

B. DP/SFV Report

1. DPSFV is hosting its annual picnic soon. Please see their website for details. They have taken up a number of endorsements.

VIII. CONTROLLER'S REPORT - Reuben Zadeh

- A. We have \$18,420 in state fund. Federal fund has\$448, just spent \$2,000 for contribution to westside Dem headquarters. \$500 more will be spent soon.

IX. DISCUSSION

- A. Mediating our Internal Disagreements

X. ADJOURNMENT - Meeting was adjourned at 9:0P.M.

Our next Steering Committee is Thursday, May 3rd at Plummer Park Room 4 at 7 P.M.