April 28, 2024 PL Democratic Club Meeting:

Attendance

The meeting was attended by 24 members and 5 guests in person.

Agenda

1.0 Welcome

2.0 Guest Speaker: Sexual Assault Awareness Month - Discussion with Lori Saldaña

3.0 Officer Election and Reports

4.0 Electeds, Representatives and Candidates

5.0 Announcements: DesBorders Cleanup Project and The Roosevelt Dinner

6.0 Adjourn

1.0 Welcome

Dave Fisher President, called the meeting to order at approximately 4:05 pm

Motion

Approval of Agenda

DISPOSITION: Passed by unanimous consent

No meeting minutes available to approve at this time.

2.0 Sexual Assault Awareness Month - Discussion with Lori Saldaña

Discussion about Sexual Assault Awareness Month with our fellow club member Lori Saldaña. She discussed the various issues and resources available for those who need them. Some of the challenges sexual assault survivors have here in San Diego are waiting on the testing of the sexual assault kits. There is a backlog of over 2800 rape kits. She has been very vocal about the testing backlog and has urged for more efficiency and expediting the testing of these kits. There are still many challenges that sexual assault survivors currently endure. You can learn more about Sexual Assault Awareness Month and ways to support survivors of sexual assault through the National Sexual Violence Resource Center at https://www.nsvrc.org/.

3.0 Officer Reports

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Angela Hawkins stated the club bank account balance currently is $11,669.00.

We have 104 members in our club.

4.0 Electeds, Representatives and Candidates

None.

5.0 Announcements

Mandy Havlik presented the DesBorder project concept and club opportunity for consideration.

A sculpture in the shape of a whale is being created from repurposed materials, and it will be at the heart of the first cleanup in OB and will be the start of our whale's migration to neighboring coastal community cleanup events throughout the year. **DesBorder** brings communities together to tackle our waterway pollution. The whale will be used as a collection receptacle for donated cans and bottles to be collected and the CRV will be used to purchase books and donate them to local schools with the non-profit Cans4Books. Learn more about the project at Desborder.org. They are looking for donations to go towards the construction of the whale and donors who make a contribution of $1,000.00 will have their organizations name placed on the whale permanently.

Discussion was had about interest in donating to this project. It would potentially provide us with public marketing exposure. Club members were concerned about the lack of details about future proposed cleanups that would feature the whale. Club members wanted to prioritize our investments in to the local candidate campaigns that we endorsed.

Motion

Motion to donate $1,000 to DesBorder Project.

Motion made by Ruth Rollins and seconded by Mandy Havlik.

DISPOSITION: Failed

The Roosevelt Dinner is May 31

The Event will be held on May 31st at the Hilton San Diego Bayfront, 1 Park Blvd, San Diego, CA 92101. The reception begins at 5:30 pm with program starting at 6:30 pm.

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Club/Go team member tickets $155 through April 30, $175 thereafter.

Nonmembers may purchase general admission now at $175. Chicken or vegan dinner is included. Specify your club's name so we can be seated together. Tickets are available for purchase online.

AB2924 Update

Mandy Havlik, child marriage survivor, provided the club an update on AB2924. It has been co-sponsored by Assemblymember Tasha Boerner and Chris Ward. It is currently going through committee and hopefully it will continue on for approval. You can find more information about the work she is doing to abolish child marriage at unchainedatlast.org.

Club Membership Renewal

Club members reminded to renew their club membership if they have not done so already. If they have not already renewed their membership, please do so as soon as possible. All memberships were DUE IN JANUARY. If you did not renew by January 31, you lose your club voting privileges until you renew your membership.

6.0 Adjourn

Dave Fisher adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:23 p.m.

Respectfully sent,

Mandy Havlik, Secretary

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