

DOLPHIN DEMOCRATS GENERAL MEETING

February 8, 2017

Pride Center at Equality Park

MINUTES

1. The Meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by President Noah Kitty.
2. Quorum – Secretary Jesse Monteagudo confirmed that there was a Quorum.
3. Pledge of Allegiance – Michael Albetta led the Pledge of Allegiance
4. Moment of Silence – There was a Moment of Silence in memory of LGBT dead.
5. Elected Officials – President Kitty recognized the Elected Officials present.
6. Approval of Minutes – Moved by Michael Albetta and seconded by Naomi Siegel to approve the Minutes of the January 11 Meeting. Motion approved.
7. Treasurer’s Report – Moved by Patti Lynn and seconded by Naomi Siegel to table the reading of the Treasurer’s Report, in the absence of the Treasurer. Motion passed.
8. Nominating Committee – Election of Officers and Directors – Stephen Muffler chaired this portion of the Meeting. Officers and Directors were elected to two year terms.

Officers – Noah Kitty was nominated for President and Brooke Locke Marx was nominated for Vice President. Moved by Michael Albetta and seconded by Jesse Monteagudo to close nominations and elect by acclamation. Motion passed.

Secretary – Jesse Monteagudo was nominated for Secretary. Moved by Tim Ross and seconded by Michael Albetta to close nominations and elect by acclamation. Motion passed.

Treasurer – Adam Sabin was nominated for Treasurer. Moved by Tim Ross and seconded by Brooke Locke Marx to close nominations and elect by acclamation. Motion passed.

Directors – Six candidates were nominated to fill six positions: Tim Hart, Patti Lynn, Paul Rolli, Tim Ross, Jowharah Sanders, Mitch Weisbrot. Moved by Tim Ross and seconded by Michael Albetta to close nominations and elect by acclamation. Motion passed.

9. Newly Re-elected President Noah Kitty gave her vision for the Dolphins club. She hopes the new board would: (1) improve internal efficiency (2) promote Dolphins throughout Broward County and (3) "really get crackin'."

10. Campaign Committee – Endorsement of Candidates – Tim Ross chaired this portion of the meeting. Candidates for the March 14th municipal elections were considered. The following candidates have Democratic opponents and need a 2/3 super majority to be endorsed:

Patricia Dubayes for Coconut Creek Commission, District C

Bernard Parness for Deerfield Beach Commission, District 3

Richard Rosenzweig for Deerfield Beach Commission, District 3

Gwyndolyn "Gwyn" Clarke-Reed for Deerfield Beach Mayor

Jim Norton for Weston Commission, Seat 3

The following candidates do not have Democratic opponents and only need a simple majority to be endorsed:

Rob Durham, Deerfield Beach Commission, District 4

Maxwell Chambers, Miramar Commission, District 1

Jall's Dalton Bonheur, Miramar Commission, District 3

Candidates Parness, Rosenzweig and Norton spoke on their own behalf. Mitchell Stollberg spoke on behalf of Clarke-Reid. Members then voted, and all the candidates received the amount of votes needed to be endorsed. Tim will print palm cards and distribute them to the candidates.

11. Newly-Elected Vice President Brooke Locke Marx urged the members to get involved. He asked for volunteers to work the Dolphins booth at the Feb. 26 Pride Fest.

12. Patti Lynn gave announcements on behalf of the Broward Sheriff's Office.

13. Post Card Campaign – Amy Cagle spoke about a new plan, taken from the group Indivisible, to send post cards to elected officials on behalf of the Dolphins club.

14. Good of the Party – Announcements were made for the Good of the Party. Fort Lauderdale Vice Mayor Dean Trantalis spoke to the group. Gwyn Clarke-Reed arrived at this time and also addressed the club.

15. Meeting Adjourned. Moved by Brooke Locke Marx and seconded by Naomi Siegel to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Motion passed.