



DOLPHIN DEMOCRATS

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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

February 13, 2019

Pride Center at Equality Park

MINUTES

1. The Meeting was called to order by President Scott Herman at 7 p.m.
2. Establishing a Quorum. Secretary Jesse Monteagudo said there was a Quorum. In addition, all of the then-current Officers and Directors were present or excused.
3. Pledge of Allegiance. President Scott Herman led the Pledge.
4. Moment of Silence. President Scott Herman led the Moment of Silence in memory of the victims of the shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, Feb. 14, 2018.
5. Public Officials and Past Presidents were recognized by the President.
6. Treasurer's Report. Treasurer Adam Sabin reported a Bank Balance of \$12,667.72. We have officially renewed our Non-Profit Directors & Officers Liability (\$800); purchased a \$100 ad in the LGBTA Caucus Gala Ad Book; and registered our booth for Stonewall Pride in June 2019 (\$863.15 with early pay discounts). We will be in the "Black Zone" of the Festival (near Five Corners).
7. By-Laws Committee Report. Justin Proffitt had no report.
8. Membership Committee Report. Alfredo Olvera reported that the Club had 250 members at the start of the Meeting. He also recognized new members.
9. Guest Speakers
 - a. Stephen Gaskill, Communications Director of the Florida LGBTA Democratic Caucus gave a report on the upcoming Winter Conference & Leadership Dinner to be held in Jacksonville during the weekend of Feb. 22-24.

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- b. b. Jason Gad, representing BAWN (Band Assault Weapons Now), collected signatures to place on the ballot a constitutional amendment to ban assault weapons.
10. Campaign Committee Report – Endorsements March Elections. Alfredo Olvera chaired this segment. Candidates spoke for three minutes each.
- a. a. Gloria Battle, candidate for Deerfield Beach Commission Seat 2.
 - b. b. Barbara Ingram and Leo Gilling, candidates for Miramar Commission Seat 4. At this time the chair announced a break in the proceedings, at which time the assembly heard from Scott Israel, the now suspended Sheriff of Broward County.
 - c. c. Wayne Messam, candidate for Miramar Mayor.
 - d. d. Nancy Metayer, candidate for Coral Springs Mayor also spoke by video tape. Dolphin members then voted to endorse each candidate.
11. President & Vice-President’s Report. President Scott Herman and Vice President Paulette Armstead spoke to the assembly about their successes with the Club and their plans for the future.
12. Elections Committee Report – Board Elections. Michael Stara chaired this part of the Meeting. The Committee submitted the following slate of candidates:
- a. a. President & Vice-President. Alfredo Olvera and Nik Harris.
 - b. b. Secretary. Aaron Darr.
 - c. c. Treasurer. Adam Sabin. All four officers were (re)elected by the members.
 - d. d. Directors (3 of 6). Emma Collum, Stephen Fuller, Justin Proffitt. The following Director candidates were nominated from the floor: Paul Sparandera, Lindsay Pollard, Hillary Robinson Dougherty. Together they fill the slate of 6 directors. Moved by Nik Harris and seconded by Ed Leuchs & Naomi Siegel to elect all six directors by acclamation. Motion Passed.
13. Good of the Party – Announcements for the Good of the Party. Outgoing Secretary Jesse Monteagudo spoke about his future role as Historian. Alfredo Olvera announced that Gloria Battle, Wayne Messam and Nancy Metayer received the members’ endorsement for their respective races.
14. Meeting Adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Recorded and Submitted by: Jesse G. Monteagudo, Secretary

Our General Meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday of each month @ 7:00pm at the Pride Center at Equality Park, 2040 North Dixie Highway, Wilton Manors, FL 33305

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