



Dolphin Democrats
General Membership Meeting
Wednesday, October 16, 2019
6:30 PM-8:30 PM
The Pride Center at Equality Park

MINUTES

1. **Call of Meeting to Order:** President, Alfredo Olvera; called meeting to order at 7:03 PM
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Attendance/Quorum:** Secretary Aaron Darr; a quorum was met.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** September Annual Membership Meeting;
5. **Public Officials, Past Presidents, and Other Leaders (recognize)**
Scott Herman, DD Past President, Denise Horland, City Councilmember of Plantation, Julie Carson, City Commissioner of Wilton Manors, Michael Albetta, DD Past President, Rubie Lanora Green, Candidate for BC Public Defender, Morty Wright, Candidate for HD 103, Representative for Commissioner Steve Geller, Linda Gallun, Region Chair 13 for DWCF, Ian Dune, Sec. for FL Young Dems, Nancy Fry, Moms Demand Action, Ron Mills, DD Past President.
6. **Report of Officers**
 - a. **Secretary's Report:** Sec. Aaron Darr,
NO REPORT
 - b. **Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Adam Sabin (absent, EXCUSED)
Balance: \$17,850.22
Gala Expense(s) Accrual: \$8,000
I recorded an accrual of \$8k to reflect the anticipated expenses we will incur for the Gala.
An accurate depiction of what our bank balance would be, assuming nothing changed for the Gala as of now, would be \$9,850.22 (17,850.22 - 8,000). This is the most conservative outcome, as we are expecting (and hoping for) some large cash inflows the next couple days.
 - c. **President's Report:** President Alfredo Olvera
The DD 2019 Annual Awards Gala and Silent Auction
Tickets are still on sale now. EB and After Party tickets still available.
Update on 2020 Candidate Forums
 - d. **Vice President's Report:** Nik Harris
Video/Lecture on Implicit Bias entitled Peanut Butter, Jelly, and Racism. Nik recommended members and guests take the Harvard Implicit Bias Test online.
7. **Reports of Committees:**
 - a. **Membership Committee:** 308 members
 - b. **Volunteer Committee/Democratic Outreach Committee:** Anthony Ginsberg
Voter Registration events at Povarello and Alibi.
Wicked Manors Halloween Event
 - c. **Fundraising & Events Committee:** Lindsay Pollard
NO REPORT
 - d. **Other Committees:** N/A
8. **Speakers:**



Andy Ruffner, Dir. of Education, World AIDS Museum and Educational Center
Requel Lopez, Exec. Dir. World AIDS Museum and Educational Center

Spoke about the importance of telling ones HIV story (Oral History Project). The organization is doing a lot of educational outreach to children and seniors, while creating working relationships with public schools throughout Broward County.

Patti Lynn, Sage's Friendly Visitor Program

Patti spoke about the Sage program in which one would make a year commitment, 2 hours or so a week, to take the time to do an at home visit with an LGBTQ+ senior. Many are living alone due to the loss of a partner or their families unwillingness to accept them. Patti is actively looking for volunteers to spend time with LGBTQ+ seniors throughout Broward County.

9. Announcements for The Good of The Party

Nancy Fry of Mom's Demand Action spoke about an upcoming fundraising opportunity at Longhorn Steakhouse where 10% of the sales from that evening will go towards MDA activities.

Naomi mentioned that there is Bingo played on a regular basis at The Pride Center for those who are interested.

Aaron Darr spoke in depth about two silent auction items for the DD 2019 Annual Awards Gala and Silent Auction. One being a private dinner with former US Congresswoman Gwen Graham and another a NYE and Broadway show package in NYC for two.

10. Meeting Adjourned at 8:06 P.M..