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**DOLPHIN DEMOCRATS
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

July 13, 2022

7:00pm - 8:00pm

1. Welcome/Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Dolphin Democrats was held in person on Wednesday, June 13th, 2022, at 7:08 pm with the President in the chair and the Secretary present. 2.

Attendance/Quorum: Secretary - Tina Jaramillo

a. Determination of Quorum: The Secretary determined that quorum was met.

3. **Pledge:** Michale Albetta led membership and guests in the pledge of allegiance.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

a. The minutes were approved as distributed.

5. **Elected Officials, Candidates, Leaders**

a. President Alfredo Olvera welcomed candidates and elected officials

6. **Reports:**

a. **President:** Alfredo Olvera

i. President Alfredo Olvera reported that only voting members can vote for the endorsement and explained the voting process to members.

ii. President Alfredo Olvera reported that the Board will donate up to \$500 to match member donations to a local reproductive rights organization.

iii. President Alfredo Olvera introduced the Dolphin Democrats' new student volunteer. iv.

President Alfredo Olvera reported that the FLORIDA LGBTQ+ DEM CAUCUS

Summer Conference will take place on July 22-24 in Fort Lauderdale.

v. President Alfredo Olvera reported the endorsements dates to members.

vi. President Alfredo Olvera reported that the July Membership mixer will be a school supply donation drive.

vii. President Alfredo Olvera introduced the Campaign & Elections Committee Chair, Mark McKenzie.

b. **Treasurer:** Hillary Dougherty : The report of the Treasurer was read by Treasurer Hillary Dougherty

c. **Committees:**

i. The report of the membership committee was read by the President. The membership committee reported 265 members

7. **New Business:**

a. Endorsements:

i. The members endorsed the following candidates:

ii. **State Senate D-35:** Lauren Book

iii. **State House D-100:** Linda Thompson Gonzalez

iv. **Broward County Commission D-8 & D9:** D-8: Bobby Dubose & D-9: Guithele Ruiz-Nicolas

v. **Broward County School Board D-7:** Nora Rupert

vi. Broward County School Referendum: Yes

vii. Vote of support for US Senate candidate Val Demings: Yes

b. Straw Polls

i. The members voted for the following candidates in the straw poll (not an endorsement or support from Dolphin Democrats):

ii. **Governor:** Nikki Fried, 36; Charlie Crist, 13

iii. **Congressional District 23:** Allan Ellison, 1; Hava Holzhauer, 4; Jared Moscovitz, 20; Ben Sorenson, 21

8. Old Business: None

9. For the Good of the Party: Nothing reported.

10. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm