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**DOLPHIN DEMOCRATS
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
September 14, 2022
7:00pm - 8:00pm**

1. Welcome/Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Dolphin Democrats was held in person on Wednesday, August 10th, 2022, at 7:00 pm with the President in the chair and the Secretary present. 2.

Attendance/Quorum: Secretary - Tina Jaramillo

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

3. Approval of Minutes

- a. **Last Membership Meeting Minutes:** [August 10, 2022](#)
- b. The minutes were approved as distributed.

4. Elected Officials, Candidates, Leaders

- a. President Alfredo Olvera welcomed candidates and elected officials.

5. Reports:

a. President: Alfredo Olvera

- i. Announced that the state LGBTQ caucus and the Dolphin Democrats have endorsed Charlie Crist and Karia Hernandez-Mats for the gubernatorial ticket.
- ii. VP & Directors Appointments
 1. Sabrina Javellana was appointed as a new member of the Board of Directors
 2. Yana Kirmaz was appointed as a new member of the Board of Directors
 3. Jason Gad was appointed as the new Vice President of the Board of Directors
- iii. Announced that District 100 (Chip LaMarca's seat) has a chance to flip to democrat.
- iv. Announced the Drag The Vote Brunch event on Saturday, October 1st from 11-1:30pm v. Announced that the Vote 2022 T-Shirts are now for sale for \$20 each.

b. Treasurer: Hillary Dougherty

- i. **August Bank Balance:** 39,396.36
- ii. **Current Bank Balance:** 32,739,56
- iii. The report of the Treasurer was read by Treasurer Hillary Dougherty

c. Committees:

- i. **Membership:** 314 Members
- ii. The report of the Membership Committee was read by Membership Chair Nicky Vasquez. 6.

New Business:

a. Guest Speaker:

- i. Karia Hernandez-Mats, candidate for Lieutenant Governor of Florida
- ii. President Alfredo Olvera introduced Karia Hernandez-Mats.
- iii. Hernandez-Mats spoke about her background and experience.

b. Endorsements:

- i. Campaign Chair, Mark McKenzie explained the endorsement/voting process noting that the commissioner seats need a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority vote and the state house and senate seats need a simple majority for endorsement.

ii. Candidates spoke on their qualifications for endorsement.

1. Cooper City Commission District 1, Jeremy Katzman: won the endorsement with 42 votes
2. Oakland Park Commission, 2 at-large seats
 - a. Letitia Newbold: won the endorsement with 36/4 votes
 - b. Tim Lonergan: won the endorsement with 37/2 votes
3. Sunrise Commission Seat D, Jacqueline Guzman: won the endorsement with 41 votes
4. State House Districts 101 & 103
 - a. 101, Hillary Cassel: won the endorsement with 42 votes
 - b. 103, Robin Bartleman: won the endorsement with 40 votes
5. State Senate D-30, Tina Polsky: won the endorsement with 41 votes

7. Old Business: None

8. For the Good of the Party: None

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