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**DOLPHIN DEMOCRATS
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

January 11, 2022

7:00pm - 8:00pm

1. **Welcome/Call to Order:** The regular meeting of the Dolphin Democrats was held in person on Wednesday, January 11th, 2022, at 7:01 pm with the President in the chair and the Secretary present. 2. Pledge of Allegiance: Michael Albetta led the group in the pledge of allegiance.
3. **Attendance/Quorum:** Secretary - Tina Jaramillo
 - a. The Secretary determined that quorum was met.
4. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. **Last Membership Meeting Minutes: November 16, 2022** (note: no December meeting minutes as it was the holiday party)
 - b. The minutes were approved as distributed.
5. **Elected Officials, Candidates, Leaders**
 - a. President Alfredo Olvera welcomed candidates and elected officials.
 - b. Rep. Marie Woodson spoke to the group.
6. **Reports:**
 - a. **President:** Alfredo Olvera
 - i. President Olvera spoke listed the cities having elections on March 14th, 2023
 - ii. President Olvera spoke about the changes in leadership in the Florida Democratic Party and the LGBTQ+ Regional Directors election.
 - b. **Treasurer:** Hillary Dougherty
 - i. **November Bank Balance:** \$23,293.95
 - ii. **Current Bank Balance:** \$31,406.94
 - iii. The report of the Treasurer was read by Treasurer Hillary Dougherty.
 - c. **Committees:**
 - i. **Membership:** Nicky Vasquez
 1. Membership Chair Nicky Vasquez stated that we have 377 member count
 2. Chair Vasquez also announced that Dolphin Democrats members should renew their membership.
 - ii. Campaign Committee: Mark McKenzie
 - iii. Nominating Committee: Jose Cedeno
 1. Nominating Chair Jose Cedeno spoke about the upcoming executive board committee election in February and asked for volunteers. The deadline to submit a name is Friday, January 27th, 2023.
 - iv. Bylaws Committee: Jason Gad
7. **New Business:**
 - a. Updates to the bylaws
 - i. President Alfredo Olvera explained the proposed updates to the bylaws before putting it to a vote.
 - ii. After discussion and recommendations, John Lazar made a motion to approve the

amendments to the bylaws; Lordes Diaz seconded the motion. After further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

8. Guest Speaker: Marty Kiar - Broward County Property Appraiser

- a. Marty Kiar spoke to the group about property taxes and title fraud in Broward.

9. Old Business: None

10. For the Good of the Party:

- a. Lordes Diaz stated that there will be a School Board Meeting on January 24th, 2023 and asked for volunteers to attend the meeting.
- b. Todd Delmay announced that Hollywood Pride is being held on Sunday, January 29th, 2023.
- c. Lorenzo Robertson announced that there's a community conversation at the YMCA with the Ujima Men's Collective on Sistrunk on Friday, January 14th, 2023.
- d. Nancy Fry announced that she is running for a Coconut Creek Commission seat. e. Adrianna Tender announced that the HRC is holding its annual dinner gala on January 28th, 2023.

11. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.