**American River Democrats**

**Monthly Board Meeting Minutes**

DATE: April 4, 2017, 7 p.m.

PLACE: Panera Bread, Folsom

ATTENDING: B. Leary, B. Di Regolo, E. Tavares, R. Bradshaw, A. Targos

1. Agenda: A motion was made to approve the agenda. Members approved agenda.
2. Minutes: A motion was made to approve the Board minutes from March 2017. Minutes were approved.
3. Treasurer’s Report: Betty reported a balance of $2292.78 as of March 31, 2017. This includes donations of $83.65 collected to cover the cost of post cards and postage for the March post card campaign. The club has 61 members who are current on their dues.
4. Communications secretary report: Deferred until next month.
5. Voter Registration- The voter registration event at Folsom Lake college will take place on April 5, at 10 AM. Julie Calderwood has recruited volunteers to cover all shifts from 9:30 AM set up to 1 PM.
6. State Fair Booth – ARD will have a State Fair booth on Friday July 21 (tentative date) – 3 shifts will need coverage with 2 people each shift. The DPSC will pay for volunteer’s admission to the State Fair that day. A motion was made and passed for ARD to pay for parking for volunteers.
7. Postcard campaign- At the March general meeting club members wrote postcards for the “Ides of Trump” campaign to flood the White House with postcards. Ed and Barbara will research current “hot topics” for the next postcard campaign, and bring a topic and address information to the next meeting, along with more cards.
8. Food bank project- The board discussed having a possible food bank volunteer event in May. Ed will research the idea and report back to the board. Barbara will print the ARD logo on name tags to identify volunteers as club members.
9. Member Survey- Betty provided a list of possible issues and actions and the board discussed what to include on the next survey. Ed volunteered to set up the survey and send it out just before the next general meeting.
10. Upcoming elections- The board discussed the club endorsement process, and identified actions to help democratic candidates outside our local area such Jon Ossoff in the Georgia special election. In addition, we can focus on winning California congressional races where republicans are vulnerable. For example, Darrell Issa won by less than 1%, providing opportunity for democrats to win in 2018.
11. April 19, 2017 General Meeting- There will be a speaker on the California Senate Bill 562 to establish a single payer health care plan for California.
12. Next ARD Board meeting: Tuesday, May, 2017- location TBD.