**American River Democrats**

**Monthly Board Meeting Minutes**

DATE: Mar 7, 2017, 7 p.m.

PLACE: Panera Bread, Folsom

ATTENDING: D. Martinez, K. Kiunke, B. Di Regolo, E. Tavares, J. Calderwood, R. Bradshaw, A. Targos

Debbie Martinez, ARD vice president, led the meeting.

1. Agenda: A motion was made to approve the agenda with the addition of a discussion about the document describing the bylaws changes. Members approved agenda.
2. Minutes: A motion was made to approve the Board minutes from January and February. Minutes were approved.
3. Treasurer’s Report: Betty reported a balance of $1709.53 as of February 28, 2017. This includes $190 from the sale of yard signs.
4. Communications secretary report: Ken reported 1263 visits to the club website in February- a new record. He has added more links with information about political action. To add events to the ARD Facebook page, we can contact Ken or any of the other ARD Facebook administrators. The current ARD Facebook admins are Ken Kiunke, Barbara Leary, Ed Tavares, and Kris Tavares.
5. Bylaws – Ed Tavares presented a document that summarizes the ARD bylaws changes to be voted on at the next general meeting. Ken will send it out to club members for review prior to the meeting.
6. Voter Registration- Julie Calderwood will let us know the confirmed dates for the voter registration event at Folsom Lake college.
7. Postcard campaign-Ed Tavares plans to bring postcards to the March general meeting so that members can participate in the “Ides of Trump” postcard campaign. A motion was made and passed for the club to buy post card stamps. Betty will bring the stamps and a can will be passed to collect donations to fund future events.
8. Member Survey- Betty volunteered to take our survey ideas and put together a draft survey or lead an activity at the meeting to identify areas of club interest.
9. Club volunteer activity- The board discussed having a possible food bank volunteer event in May. Ed will research the idea and report back to the board.
10. 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. Debbie will bring a sign-up sheet to the general meeting.
11. CADEM Convention will be May 19 – 20 in Sacramento and volunteers are needed. Ken will put a link on the on the ARD website.
12. Upcoming meetings- March 20, 2017 General Meeting- The speaker will be Yannini Casillas of CAIR, the Council for American Islamic Relations.
13. Next ARD Board meeting: April 4, 2017- location TBD.