American River Democrats

Monthly E-Board Meeting Minutes

May 10, 2017

1. Ken motioned to approve agenda. Motion was seconded and approved.
2. Minutes were tabled until enough people who attended could arrive.
3. Treasurer’s Report for month of April (submitted by Betty DiRegolo)
   1. $416 income from memberships, donations, yard sale signs
   2. $29.45 in expenses for copying and postage
   3. Balance as of 4/28 was $2629.33
4. Communications Report – Ken
   1. Facebook article on Single Payer Health Care offered
5. State Fair Booth – Barbara
   1. Barbara is asking for confirmation on schedule from Terry to we can plan volunteers. DSPS pays for admission. ARDems Club will cover parking costs.
6. Postcard Campaign – Ed
   1. Cards sent from last general meeting.
   2. 24 Congressional Republican Representatives are at risk because of their health care votes. Suggestion for future card campaign, “We won’t forget how you voted.”
   3. Another postcard campaign to ask for independent investigation on Russian interference in US election.
   4. Barbara suggested postcards to support positive actions by representatives as well.
7. Food Bank Project – Ed
   1. Ed suggested the club work for a day in July at the food bank.
   2. Folsom Community Day in September may be a good day to be visible in the community.
8. Member Survey – Ed
   1. Results: approx. 28% of members have responded so far
      1. Main issues: 1. Midterm elections 2. Health Care 3. Social Justice
      2. Actions desired: 1. Voter Registration 2. Knock Every Door 3. Postcard Campaign
      3. Issues people will personally get involved in: 1. Postcard Campaign 2. Voter Registration 3. Campaign Fundraisers
      4. Some members volunteered to lead activities:
         1. Julie C. will call FLC about scheduling a voter registration for 9/20 or 9/26
9. Upcoming Elections – Barbara
   1. Barbara would like to counter negative flyers from far-left progressives. She suggests an early endorsement of Ami Bera and would like to ask Club at June meeting about this.
10. Congressional Challengers Promotion –
    1. Barbara discussed coordinating with OWL to support remote Democratic candidates with remote phone banking from our area in an attempt to help flip CA Republican seats to Democratic. Board supports the idea.
11. Board meeting times and dates:
    1. The board discussed changing the e-board meeting to the 1st Wednesday (from currently the 1st Tuesday).
12. List of Club Position needs:
    1. Fundraising
    2. Voter Registration Coordinator: Julie C. will coordinate twice yearly voter registrations at Folsom Lake College.
    3. Trackers on State and Federal Legislation
    4. Precinct Captains
    5. Hosts for phone banks
    6. Social Events – Debbie will look into organizing a happy hour social at American River Brewery or Skipolini’s for July.
    7. Local Actions
13. Speaker for May Meeting will be Jeri Dahlke, CA Kids Action
14. Next board meeting will be Wednesday, June 7.

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Calderwood