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Lake County Democratic Club Meeting Minutes – December 9, 2014 – Social Hall of United Methodist Church, Lower Lake, CA.

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Vice-Chair, Richard East, acting in the absence of Chair Esutoki. The members pledged the flag.

Officers present: Richard East, John Sheehy, James Evans and Carlene Leskar. 11 members (quorum) signed the official role.

November minutes were approved.

Officer Reports –

- Chair: Adckinjo Esutoki was absent due to illness.
- Vice Chair: Richard East reported that the Chair has arranged for our January guest speaker to be Supervisor Anthony Farrington on the issue of the State of Jefferson.
- Secretary: Carlene Leskar – no report.
- Treasurer: John Sheehy reported a balance on hand of \$6,143 and 1 new member added.
- Vice Treasurer: James Evans will be calculating the 2015 Member Survey results with an Excel program he has designed. All data has not been input so results will be postponed until next month. In the meantime the surveys will be emailed out again giving more members the opportunity to participate. \* BBQ report - \$8,259 gross (3<sup>rd</sup> highest in last 7 years). Attendance 112 (4<sup>th</sup> highest in 7 yrs.) With a net of \$5,965, each club will be receiving about \$1,491.

Standing Committee Reports –

- Membership: Mitch Markowitz noted that while calling members looking for potential club officers for next year, he and Jeri Spittler noted several errors in our membership roster. The roster needs to be updated more frequently than currently being done - every 6 months was the general consensus.
- Voter Services: no report.
- Candidates and Issues: Rich reported that all ballots have been counted and the results remain unchanged.
- Way and Means: no members present.

Media Reports – Carlene finally made contact with Eli, who is the new person on the Community News Desk at The Record Bee, re. the reason our Club meeting announcements have not been consistently posted each month. This month’s notice was posted only the morning of our meeting. The problem should be corrected going forward.

Ad Hoc Committee Reports – no members of these committees present.

Ongoing Business – Carlene gave the Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> Central Committee report. Congressman Thompson’s report is on the DCC website. \* Congressman Garamendi voted for the National Defense Authorization Act which just passed the House. \* Neither Sen. McGuire nor Congressman Dodd have designated representatives to the Central Committee yet. They are still promising to open a Field Office in Lake County. \* Resolutions from the Nov. E Board in San Diego that Chair Curry attended are on the CADEM website. \* The BOS is hearing arguments in support of the State of Jefferson. \* Speaker for January 8<sup>th</sup> will be Elizabeth Siggins on Proposition 47. \* Some new voter registration policies: mail-in ballots will be accepted if postmarked on election day; Gov. Brown signed legislation calling for pre-voter registration of 16-year olds. \* LCDCC officer elections next month: will need a secretary and assistant treasurer.

New Business – Elections: Jeri Spittler nominated Adckinjo Esutoki to serve a 2<sup>nd</sup> term as Chair. Richard East agreed to continue to serve as Vice-Chair. Patricia Markowitz volunteered to serve as Secretary. Rich East nominated John Sheehy to serve as Treasurer, and John accepted the nomination. James Evans agreed to continue to serve as Assistant Treasurer. **MOTION:** Mitch Markowitz moved that we accept the entire slate of officer candidates; **moved, seconded, approved.**

Announcements –

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Cinema is Best Exotic Marigold Hotel. Beginning next month the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Cinemas will be shown at the United Methodist Church in Kelseyville.

Anne Rubin announced that Planned Parenthood now accepts Medicare.

Rich East reminded everyone that Anthony Farrington will be our Club speaker Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned @ 6:55 for hot mulled cider, pumpkin bread and Christmas cookies.

Respectfully submitted by Carlene Leskar, Secretary

**Next meeting will be on January 13<sup>th</sup> @ 6 p.m.**

**Social Hall of United Methodist Church**

**16255 Second Street, Lower Lake**