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Lake County Democratic Club Meeting Minutes – March 10, 2015 – Social Hall of United Methodist Church, Lower Lake, CA.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair, Adckinjo Esutoki. The members pledged the flag.

Officers present: Adckinjo Esutoki, Richard East, John Sheehy, James Evans and Carlene Leskar. A total of 16 members and 1 prospective member signed the official role.

February minutes amended to correct date of March meeting. J. Swetnam moved for approval. **M/S/A.**

March agenda amended as follows: add payment arrangements for storage unit under New Business; S. Jordan resigned from Newsletter Committee, remove her name; add DCC report under Standing Committee Reports. B. Sabatier moved for approval. **M/S/A.**

Guest speaker, Bruno Sabatier, Clearlake City Councilman, spoke on current issues facing the city. He also enthusiastically discussed some projects that may be in the plans for the future. Q & A followed.

Officer Reports –

- Chair: A. Esutoki attended the LCDP Strategic Planning meeting in Kelseyville on March 8th.
* Announced upcoming CDC Leadership & Treasurers Workshop on March 14th in Napa. * Also invited members to sign up to attend the CDC People's Empowerment Summit March 20-22 in Fresno. * Encouraged members to sign up with CADEM 2016 for one-time or recurring donations (can be as small as \$5/month). Get envelop from Adckinjo or go to www.cadem.org.
- Vice Chair: R. East reported we have as yet no speaker for April. For May 12th Lakeport City Councilwoman Mireya Turner has confirmed. Rich said that, per our recent goals survey, members had several different ideas for speakers. He asked that anyone with specific suggestions please contact him or Adckinjo.
- Secretary: P. Markowitz had to resign this position. C. Leskar will serve as temporary acting Secretary. No report.
- Treasurer: J. Sheehy reported balance on hand of \$7,635.77.
- Vice Treasurer: J. Evans no report.

Standing Committee Reports –

- Membership: Chair J. Conard reported 3 new members; 4 renewals. Will be meeting with committee member C. Leskar March 11th to coordinate our various membership lists.

* Congressman Bill Dodd having a BBQ on May 23rd at the Chacewater Winery & Olive Mill in Kelseyville. Volunteers will be needed. Please contact Judy Conard if you can help.

- Voter Services: Chair B. Curry reported the Democrats manned a voter registration booth at the Black History Month celebration on Feb. 28th. Two events are coming up where we have traditionally manned booths: Cinco de Mayo in Lakeport and Lower Lake Days on May 24th.
* Becky also noted we are recruiting volunteers for Mike Thompson's Ravioli Feed April 11th. We will run a silent dessert auction. There will also be a traditional silent auction.
- State of Jefferson Resistance: In the absence of Chair Howland, Becky reported that there is a facebook page now devoted to SOJ. "Lake County - State of Jefferson Resistance."
- Candidates and Issues: Chair M. Markowitz reported his committee will be preparing an application for candidates who wish to request endorsement from LCDC. * Committee has compiled a list of issues to address: SOJ, environment and infrastructure. * He listed some upcoming elections: 12 school board races, 2 Lake Co. BOE races and 2 BOS races. * There may also be Community Service District and Fire District races. James Evans will be seeking a seat on a Community Service District Board.
- Ways and Means: Since the previous chair resigned, Adkinjo appointed B. Sabatier as the new chair. This committee will review the list of ideas proposed by T. Jordan before he vacated his seat.

Media Reports – Our monthly meeting is now listed on the Press Democrat's online event page – www.pressdemocrat.com/events.

Ad Hoc Committee Reports –

- Historian: L. Rigod no report. All are welcome to share anecdotes from past meetings.

Ongoing Business – David Smith gave the Central Committee Report.

New Business – The annual rent for the storage unit that the Club has been sharing with LCDCC and the Stonewall Club is increasing from \$500 to \$600. **MOTION:** J. Evans moved that the Club provide either one-half or one-third the cost (depending on whether Stonewall will be using it or not). **Motion seconded and carried.**

Announcements - Vice-Chair reiterated that we are looking for suggestions from the membership for guest speakers.

Moved to adjourn at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Carlene Leskar, Acting Secretary

Next meeting will be on April 14th @ 6:30 p.m.

Social Hall of United Methodist Church, 16255 Second Street, Lower Lake