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Lake County Democratic Club Meeting Minutes – September 12, 2018

Meeting at the Methodist Church Social Hall in Lower Lake was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Chair Susan Cameron. 16 persons total in attendance, including Chair Susan Cameron and Vice Chair Louis Rigod. Carlene Leskar recorded the minutes in Secretary Pauline Pavon's absence.

Approval of Agenda – Chair noted that she would like to rearrange the order of items. MSUP.

Approval of August Minutes. Approval of minutes as submitted. MSUP.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – SHARE GOOD NEWS – PUBLIC COMMENT –

- Chair announced that Congressman Mike Thompson will be attending the BBQ. This will help make up for our lack of a keynote speaker.
- Chair has been invited by Mike Thompson to be his guest at the DCCC event “The Ultimate Woman's Power and Issues Conference” luncheon on Sept. 24th. She is thrilled that Hillary Clinton will also be in attendance.
- Stephanie Pahwa announced that she will be phone banking for Proposition 8.
- Becky Curry passed around the United Democratic Campaign HQ (UDC) work schedule.
- Becky Curry also noted that issues are arising due to the fact that the County has yet to release a marijuana ordinance.

OFFICER REPORTS -

Chair Susan Cameron: Focus has been on organizing the BBQ fundraising event. Mentioned need for volunteer to serve as Assistant Treasurer as Steve has a big new job and is unable to devote the time he expected. She wrote postcards for Andrew Janz. Her other activities are reported below in conjunction with Campaign Activity.

Treasurer Steve Wylie: (given by Susan Cameron). Balance on hand is \$6,148 (total income \$155; total expenses \$1209). Excessive expenditure due largely to T-shirt purchases of \$859.

Susan further reported that our 2018 budget included several items that we're not using; i.e. \$900 for training not used, \$750 for youth outreach not used, and \$600 remaining from the \$1200 that was budgeted for Candidates & Issues. She suggested that we might spend more on candidates.

PROGRAM: CAMPAIGN ACTIVITY – Shanda Harry thanked the club for its support and gave an update on her campaign. Her opponent Don Anderson has switched party

affiliation and recently approached the Lake County Republican Party for endorsement. He and Shanda will both be interviewed on Ron Green's program on KPFZ.

Shanda also gave a rundown of her upcoming campaign expenditures. **MOTION:** that the Club donate \$600 to the Shanda Harry campaign to help cover the cost of mailers; Motion Mitch Markowitz/ 2nd Becky.

During the meeting the club will be writing postcards to newly-registered Democrats in support of Shanda Harry for Superior Court Judge. **MOTION:** designate \$175 to pay for postage for the postcards; Motion Becky Curry/ 2nd Mary Borjon.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE REPORT –

- UDC - Beginning Sept. 20th we will phone bank for Shanda Harry every Thursday.
- Lake County Democratic Central Committee Chair Carlos Negrete submitted his resignation.
- BBQ – club went over the spreadsheet to try to fill remaining responsibilities.

CAMPAIGN ACTIVITY –

- Passed out postcards to all members present and spent most of the remaining time writing them in support of Shanda Harry for Judge.
- Mike Thompson suggested that we support Katie Hill in her run against Steve Knight in the 25th Congressional District. We will write postcards at the UDC.
- We will want to do something on **No on 6** but need to get more material showing what is applicable to Lake County.

OFFICER REPORTS (cont) –

Vice Chair Louis Rigod: We have no speaker for October. Club will be doing election campaign work. We will need someone for November; Shirley Howland suggested that we try to enlist Denise Rushing on Climate Change.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS -

Voter Services Chair Mary Borjon:

- We staffed a voter reg. table in Hidden Valley Lake in August and will again on Sept. 14th.
- Power to the Youth was cancelled due to fires. It is rescheduled for Sept. 22nd so we will not table as it conflicts with BBQ.
- Tabling at the Fair went well. The majority of forms completed were Democrats. The Spin the Wheel game was successful at attracting many families to the booth. However, it is unclear if it encouraged many to register. Mary suggested we consider lighting and fans for the booth next year, as well as improving our accuracy on the completed forms.
- We will have a non-partisan booth in Kelseyville on Sept. 16th for Mexican Independence Day.
- We were invited to participate in the Gay Pride event Oct. 6th in Clearlake. Neither Mary nor Chloe Karl is available to organize that. If anyone is willing to volunteer, contact Susan Cameron or Mary Borjon.

ONGOING BUSINESS – Win in 2018: Susan Cameron sent a slew of faxes to Republicans encouraging them not to confirm Judge Kavanaugh.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Next regular meeting will be on Oct 10th at the Social Hall in Lower Lake 6:30 p.m.