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Lake County Democratic Club Meeting Minutes DRAFT – December 12, 2018

Meeting at the Methodist Church Social Hall in Lower Lake was called to order at 6:30p.m. by Chair Susan Cameron. 18 persons total in attendance (including speaker). Four guests were in attendance and introduced themselves. Quorum met with 14 members present. Carlene Leskar recorded the minutes.

November minutes approved as submitted.

Agenda approved as presented.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – SHARE GOOD NEWS – PUBLIC COMMENT –

- The Chair of the California Democratic Party (Eric Bauman) resigned. The Acting-Chair is Alex Gallardo-Rooker.
- Susan participated in Totes for Teens. This year they delivered 140 totes to Lake County teens, containing school supplies, pajamas, warm jackets, toiletries, clothing and towels, as well as sleeping bags. Each tote is valued at \$350.

SPEAKER –

Denise Rushing's talk entitled "Introduction to Drawdown; Reverse Global Warming" was very enlightening. Denise and her life partner, Loretta McCarthy, were invited by the Pachamama Alliance to travel deep into the Amazon Jungle in Ecuador into the "lungs of the planet" to learn what this group is doing to reverse global warming. Instead of talking about the tragic consequences of global warming, she focused on solutions that each individual can do.

The first step is to learn more. Two good books are *Drawdown The Most Comprehensive Plan Ever Proposed to Reverse Global Warming* by Paul Hawken and *The More Beautiful World Our Hearts Know is Possible* by Charles Eisenstein. Also the website www.drawdown.org.

Denise also told us about a new suggested plan for the Lucerne Castle – New Paradigm College, which would offer degrees in integrated global studies among other subjects.

Sierra Club is keeping involved in Lake County with several projects: reforestation, wetland restoration and biochar.

OFFICER REPORTS -

Chair Susan Cameron:

- As a member of the DCC, she was nominated to fill the Treasurer's position and as sole nominee, she is likely to take on that position in January.

- Stephanie Pawah hosted a very nice Holiday party this past weekend, with great (east) Indian food.
- South County Record Bee no longer publishes our meeting announcement, nor local opinion pieces. Will pursue a solution for that in 2019.
- Emailed Mike Thompson expressing disappointment that he publicly criticized the Grand Jury report. 19 volunteers who deserved better.
- Participated in Solidarity Sundays get-together, writing Holiday cards and postcards to various people & groups.
- Please put January 19th on your calendar for the third annual Women's March.

Vice Chair: Absent. No report.

Treasurer: Report given by Susan Cameron. Balance on hand \$4854, as of 11/30/18. This does not include Club's share of money from the barbecue.

NEW BUSINESS –

Agenda item, Planning for 2019: Review Draft of Resolution for Dissolution was immediately met with a MOTION by Adckinjo Esutoki / 2nd-James Evans. Motion to postpone discussion of draft form of Resolution for Dissolution. Concern that too few members were in attendance at the meeting. Most of the remainder of the meeting was spent discussing the advantages and disadvantages of such a move, repeating what was discussed in the November meeting. Motion carried.

Chair called for a MOTION to Elect Susan Cameron Chairperson until disposition of the club is decided. So moved by Adckinjo Esutoki / 2nd-James Evans. Motion carried.

Due to time limits, no Standing Committee or Central Committee reports were made.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Next regular meeting will be on Feb. 13th at the Social Hall in Lower Lake 6:30 p.m.