Minutes for February 2019 Monthly Meeting

Of the Democratic Club of Vista

The meeting was held at Universidad Popular Community Center, 1234 N. Santa Fe Ave., Vista, 92083

The meeting was held on the second Saturday of the month,

February 9, from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon

30 people were in attendance.

Sue Alderson, President, Presiding

The meeting was called to order at 10:02.

The Minutes from last meeting were approved (Mary Elizabeth moved; Kathleen L seconded)

The Agenda was approved with added flexibility (Kathleen B. moved; Cindy seconded)

The budget was approved (Marvin moved; Sarah seconded)

Welcome guests and new members: Susan McMurty; Rachel Rott; Kate C. David Sanchez, Hockets, Krista, John, Patti Contreras

President's Report: Sue Alderson, president, discussed:

District 3 - Amanda Rigby's district, Cindy O brought A map of the district for reference so we know where candidates must live.

County Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday, February 12 from 9:00-12:00 - Antiimmigration, white supremacist group FAIR plans to be there. Please come and speak against them at Public Comment. Supervisor Kristen Gaspar has been lying about immigrants and the wall. There will be a carpool. Email Sue for talking points.

Council Member Corinna Contreras- District 1- has been very busy but the council needs a majority to get anything real done. We need a bold and realistic climate action plan. Ritter and Franklin are on SANDAG and Public Transit Board. We need a homeless master plan as there are no resources in Vista. Food pantries should include farmed produce. There are church parking lots where people can sleep in cars. County is sitting on money which could be used for homeless. City won't pay for translation services for Spanish speakers who attend meetings. Corinna will pay out her allocated \$2000 budget for interpreters for the 4 town hall meetings she will have at Linda Rhodes. We should pressure City Council to pay for interpreters. The next City Council Meetings are Tuesday 2/12 and 2/26 at 5:30. There is a sign up sheet.

Representative Mike Levin- 49th - The House is voting for No shut down and no money for the racist wall, permanent solution for DREAMERS. If a state of emergency is declared, the house will make the senate vote on it. Monthly town hall meetings in our district, March 23 in Encinitas, will have one in Vista at some point. He is working to get Nuclear waste out of San Onofre, but with environmental justice in mind. HR 1 is to get dark money out of politics. HR 8 is universal background checks for guns. He is working on Medicare for All with Rep. Jayapal. There is bipartisan support for ending military engagement in Yemen. There are 2 bills to prevent offshore drilling on our coast. Mike is a co-sponsor of The Green New Deal which is a 15 page resolution to eliminate dependence on fossil fuels, create jobs and support social justice. To contact Mike email him at mlevin@mail.house.com

Table committee reports until our next meeting on March 9.

Announcements:

April 27- North County Women's Conference for Women and all people from 9:00-4:00 at CSUSM. We are selling tickets and need volunteers.

Escondido Dem Club is having a Souplantation fundraiser on 2/28, all day at Escondido Souplantation. We might also want to do that. We can donate funds raised to candidates, up to \$5000 per candidate.

March 6 town hall with Corinna at 6:30 at Linda Rhoades recreation center.

Our next meeting is March 9, 2019 at 1234 Santa Fe.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:00 p.m.