

LD10 General Meeting
June 19, 2019
Unitarian Universalist Church
6:30 - 8:00 PM

Call to Order: Chair Bonnie Heidler at 6:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance - Judy Falconer
We have a quorum

Chair's Opening Comments:

Welcome to all new attendees.

Happy Juneteenth!

We had a successful canvas on June 1st.

Voter Outreach continues at local libraries.

Approval of April Minutes: Motion by Nick Arnold, seconded by Gail Kamaras, and approved by acclamation.

Fund Raising -

Zoey Fife - Hoppy Hour - to be held at Hop St. Lounge, 7215 E. 22nd St near the corner of 22nd and Kolb. Date & Time - July 20th from 3:00 - 6:00 PM

There will be a silent auction - Gail Dunn heading up that initiative, and a staycation raffle basket. The event can also be found on Face Book and the LD10 website and tickets can be purchased via Act Blue. This is a social event. Bring friends for a low key introduction to LD10 and the Democratic Party. Price - three 5oz tasters will be \$20.00 and four will be \$25.00.

Membership Committee -

Stephanie Oleary - there have been 40 volunteers at four Libraries. This initiative has been very successful as was our June 1st canvas. The two combined resulted in: 26 people making calls; 27 people knocked on doors with 18 turfs covered; 311 brochures distributed; 108 conversations conducted; and an increased number of people added to our events list.

Treasurer's Report, Type to enter text

Bonnie Heidler for Marshall
currently have a balance of \$7600.00.

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Corresponding Secretary Report -

Rebecca Crow on vacation. Bonnie Heidler introduced new PCs: Nancy Dippold, Jennifer Dawson, Toni Harris, Loraine Adams, Don Womack, John Green, Sherralyn Bludau, Leftie Vaughn.

Communications Officer: Andy Flach on vacation.

PCDP - Executive Committee -

Marion Chubon.

Leah Marquez Peterson (lost to Rep. Kirkpatrick) was appointed to the Corporation Commission by Gov. Ducey to replace Andy Tobin who was appointed to another position. The EC voted to endorse the "Outlaw Dirty Money" initiative. EC officers are working on a strategic plan re: taking pictures at meetings and what is to be included in publicly released minutes. It was decided that no pictures will be taken and that

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budget and strategy will not be included in the minutes. The EC is not accepting new clubs and caucuses pending the decision from the State Party.

Data Team -

Nick Arnold - there is a data entry team sign-up sheet. People needed to help with data entry.

Diversity Outreach/Education -

Nick Arnold - Nick presented a brief history of Pride - this is Pride Month. 6/28/69 was the Stonewall Riots and that launched the Gay Liberation Movement. There were efforts made prior to Stonewall but this unified people. On 6/28/70 the Christopher St Liberation Day Pride March in NY, and parades in Chicago and San Francisco started the tradition of annual Pride Parades now occurring all over the world.

CAC -

Judy Falconer - Continued support needed for our migrants and for the kids at Dietz.

Outlaw Dirty Money -

Lew Coppes - Get your petitions from Lew. They must be notarized and there will be a notary present before our General Meetings.

New Business -

Bonnie Heidler - Announced that, with regret, she accepted the resignation of Greer Warren from the LD10 Board. There will be an election to replace her in September. There will be a Mayoral debate on July 18th. Details will be announced. Chris Conover will moderate.

There is a website listing the Democratic presidential candidates with short bios:

<https://qz.com/1536793/your-guide-to-the-2020-democratic-presidential-candidates/>

Old Business:

Stephanie Oleary announced upcoming educations for PCs and volunteers. Please see Newsletter for times and dates. Also posted on LD10 website. Committee currently working on the design for our magnetized badges.

Raffle and 50/50 winners -

Basket to Patti Bersbach and \$23.00 to Judy Falconer.

Main Event : Mayor Rothschild - Progress and Challenges for Tucson.

The Mayor was well received by LD10 attendees.

Mayor Rothschild said that 8 years ago the primary concerns were roads, police/fire, and conservation, and the settlement of the Rio Nuevo project. The City's Administration has restored trust, floated a Road Bond with 80/20% major arteries/residential streets, a Park Bond and a 9 year property tax increase since revenues are always an issue. He stated that cities in Blue states have more latitude than those in Red states.

The City Mandate is Constituent Service. Those being safety, roads, garbage pick-up, etc. Downtown rehabilitation has been a great success, although the tram happens to be very expensive. He said there was a 5 to 1 return on 19 initiatives.

The Mayor's Wish List

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1. Extend the central business district - 22nd, Stone, Broadway, Grant, and Oracle among others.
2. Use zoning for planned growth.
3. Incentives for transit services including green incentives.
4. Develop Urban innovation districts.
5. Address the problem of evictions - 13,000 last year. Look for causes.

Marion Chubon questioned the Mayor about gentrification which he said was not happening in Tucson. He said housing does exist for 100 families in poverty; 10,000 are currently housed; and there are 15,000 on a waiting list. The State provided funding for 8 public housing units or 250 units. 40 units were constructed last year. It was stated that there are two groups pushing for gentrification - one being proponents of urban renewal. In 1968 urban renewal wiped out large sections of Tucson which displaced many people living in long established communities. Now former barrio areas are being bought up by the wealthy who have jacked up rents, again disturbing communities. Affordable housing needs to be a priority. 3000 homeless veterans have been housed; there are 300 chronically homeless and about 170 end up incarcerated.

State Legislature claims that as LDs 9 and 10 are the only Blue Districts, we are gerrymandered.

The Mayor concluded his talk and received a standing ovation from the group.

Announcements:

Nikki Lee spoke about her city council candidacy.

Marion Chubon asked for people to sign the FF&T petitions

Paul Smith - AFL-CIO representative announced he will run for an LD10 legislative seat in the 2020 election.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm by Bonnie Heidler - Chair.

Submitted by:

Judyth Falconer
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