



## Democrats of Greater Riverside

P.O. Box 213, Riverside, CA 92502

### MINUTES

General Membership Meeting

Wednesday, 03/15/2023

7:00 pm online via Zoom

✓	Freya Foley, President	✓	Jay Pflugh, Communications Chair
✓	Brock Cavett, Vice President	↻	Brock Cavett, Policy & Research Chair
✓	Lisa Andres, Secretary	✓	Melba Winsell, Elections Chair
✓	Marilyn Odello, Treasurer	↻	Lisa Andres, Rules/Compliance Chair
✓	Martha Burns, Membership Chair	⊘	Vacant, Finance/Fundraising Chair
✗	Abel Chavez, Audit Chair [Non-Voting EBoard/Voting General Membership]		

1. Welcome and call to order – Presiding Officer Ms. Foley 7:11
2. Pledge of Allegiance - The Hon. Clarissa Cervantes, Riverside City Council, Ward 2.
3. Determination of a Quorum – Membership Chair Ms. Burns
  - a. Ms. Burns confirms there's a quorum.
4. Approval of Amended Agenda
  - a. Amendment allowed for Speakers to proceed before President's report.
  - a. Ms. Winsell/Ms. Odello; unanimous
5. Reading and approval of Minutes from 2/15/2023 General Membership Meeting.
  - a. Mr. Cavett moves, Ms. Riley seconds; unanimous except Ms. Then abstains.
6. DGR Speaker Series for March 2023
  - a. The Hon. Clarissa Cervantes, Riverside City Councilmember, Ward 2
  - b. The Hon. Erin Edwards, Riverside City Councilmember, Ward 1
  - c. Gracie Torres, Director, Western Municipal Water District Board, Division 2
  - d. Keri Then, Riverside Community College District Trustee, Area 5
7. President's Report – Ms. Foley
  - a. Planning -
    - i. Discussed Endorsement Processes for 2024

- b. Meeting locations for possible in-person meetings and events
    - i. Discussed locations such as IBEW union hall
  - c. Club Delegates to the endorsement conference
    - i. Addressed in RCDP Report
- 8. Vice-President's Report – Mr. Cavett
  - a. Club Rechartering - met with RCDP Vice Chair and discussed additional edits to Bylaws.
- 9. Secretary's Report – Ms. Andres - no report
- 10. Treasurer's Report – Ms. Odello
  - a. Delivered an oral treasurer's report - will be available with reports on website.
- 11. CADEM/AD Caucus Reports – Yousuf Bhaghani, CADEM EBoard AD63/AD63 Caucus Chair - absent
- 12. RCDP Report – Sheila Kay Riley, RCDP Club Engagement Coordinator
  - a. Discussed club delegates process to endorsement conference as referenced from President's report.
  - b. Gave RCDP Report
  - c. Christel Reyna is new RCDP Fundraising Committee Chair
    - i. Announced solicitation of Bosworth Awards nominees
- 13. Committee Reports – (Written reports meant for distribution to membership in writing were due to Secretary by 2/15/2023 and are submitted with the final meeting notice if available. All others will be submitted at the meeting.)
  - a. Membership – Ms. Burns - No Report
  - b. Fundraising/Events – Vacant
  - c. Communications – Mr. Pflugh
    - i. Hosting service email issues and solutions
      - i. Consider switching host prior to next renewal.
  - d. Elections – Ms. Winsell - No Report
  - e. Policy and Research – Mr. Cavett
    - i. Discussed the anti-LGBTQ proposals from Asm. Bill Essayli (AD63) to forcibly out trans youth to their parents.
  - f. Rules/Compliance – Ms. Andres
    - i. Discussed continued revisions to Bylaws for rechartering in collaboration with Vice-President Cavett
  - g. Audit – Mr. Chavez-Absent
- 14. Unfinished Business

- a. Community Outreach Activities
  - i. Adopt a Street (carryover)
- 15. New Business
  - a. Need nominations for Fundraising/Event Planning Chair
- 16. Announcements
  - a. Nominations for Pride Awards through April 16- Brock
    - i. Pride Awards presented at Gayla in June, tickets available on Riverside LGBTQ Pride website.
  - b. Riverside Human Relations Commission in final process of grant program for community organizations, applications available soon - Mr. Cavett
- 17. Agenda Development
  - a. Working on April speaker for DACA/immigration and how to support that cause - Mr. Cavett
  - b. For future discussion: State of reparations in CA from the AB3121 Task Force on the CA Attorney General website - Dr. Stell
    - i. 15 recommendations from the AB3121 Task force  
<https://oag.ca.gov/system/files/media/ab3121-interim-report-key-findings-2022.pdf>
    - ii. Executive Summary <https://oag.ca.gov/system/files/media/ab3121-interim-report-executive-summary-2022.pdf>
- 18. Next Meetings
  - a. E Board Meeting: Tuesday, 04/04/2023 7:00pm
  - b. General Membership Meeting, 04/19/2023 7:00PM
- 19. Adjournment - 9:26 Ms. Riley moves, Dr. Stell seconds; unanimous

Respectfully Submitted,



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Lisa Andres  
Secretary  
Democrats of Greater Riverside