

APPROVED GENERAL MEETING MINUTES - CORONADO DEMOCRATIC CLUB
16 February 2023

- I. **Call to Order** by President Marely Ramirez
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance** – led by Dawn Richards
- III. **Approval of the Agenda** – Judy Bambace made a motion to approve the agenda. Brian Trotier seconded it. Approval of the agenda passed unanimously.
- IV. **Introductions** – Elected officials, Guests
- V. **Approval of Minutes** of January 14, 2023, as amended. Laura Wilkinson moved to approve the amended minutes; seconded by Woody Watkins; approved unanimously.
- VI. **Treasurer’s report** – None.
- VII. **Committee Reports**
 - a. **Blue Wave Bruch:**

Dawn Richards and Mary Munger Taylor — Invitations will go out March 1st for the April 22nd (Earth Day) event. Tickets can be purchased online at CoronadoDemocrates.com. Citizen Climate, Surfrider Foundation and Emerald Keepers organizations will be in attendance. Tables will be set up for Earth Day and CoSA students will sing three songs. Adam Aron, professor at UCSD will discuss climate change and global warming. His book “The Climate Crisis” will be available for sale at the event. Sponsors needed to help with the costs. Donations of \$150 are appreciated
 - b. **Public Policy:**

Gail Bardin — The club’s website will have updates added to include notes from the PPC and what they do. This should be completed within 4-6 weeks. Communication is very important. Members are encouraged to attend city council meetings and monitor school board meetings.
 - c. **GO Team:**

Patti Flores-Charter has volunteered to take over as GO Team Chair. At the last CDC Board meeting, Patty Flores-Charter was elected the new chair of this team.
 - d. **Nominating:**

Jean Seager — The club needs to find a new board officer to serve as Secretary. We have found a candidate for Treasurer. These are very important roles. The Secretary should attend general and board meetings and work closely with the club President.
 - e. **Scholarship:**

Marely — This year our fund for Southwestern college students has \$1,400 in contributions from our members! That means we will provide 2 scholarships at \$700 each! This money is life-changing for these students both financially and in support to achieve their dreams. The winners will be selected in March, and we will invite them to attend our Blue Wave Brunch or a general meeting to meet and congratulate them. These scholarships make a huge difference in the community.
- VIII. **Program:**

Brian Trotier spoke regarding the history of and current homelessness in the United States. The program was recorded and is available to stream on the club’s YouTube channel. ThinkDignity.org is a non-profit organization that is helping the homeless.

IX. Unfinished Business — None for discussion

X. New Business — None for discussion

XI. Announcements

- a. Next meeting, Saturday, March 25th in the Winn Room. Social 10:30 am to 11:00 am. Meeting from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm.
- b. Marelly announced that the Council of Clubs has nominated three clubs for Club of The Year Award: Coronado Democratic Club, Dems for Equality, and Poway Democratic Club. Marelly will give a presentation on Saturday, February 18th. The winner will be announced by the end of the meeting.

XII. Adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Stanford

Secretary Pro Tem