

Auburn Area Democratic Club General Meeting Minutes August 3, 2023 General Gomez Arts & Event Center

- I. The August 3, 2023 general meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM.
- II. Terry Rodriguez, AADC President, introduced the speakers of the evening.

A. Sloan Farinha, AADC scholarship recipient from Forest Hill High School.

- 1. Sloan thanked the club for the scholarship and explained how growing up in Forest Hill influenced her to major in Forestry at UC Berkeley. She expressed her desire to be part of making forests better and stronger in the future.
- B. Lachlan Ryan, AADC scholarship recipient from Placer High School.
- 1. Lachlan thanked the club for the scholarship and told the audience that he was headed to UC Berkeley with a major in economics. He explained that he had been challenged but excelled through high school by vision problems due to removal of a brain tumor.
- C. The third speakers of the evening were Riki Heck and Karen Hall from Nevada Irrigation District
- 1. The ladies explained that they were speaking to area gatherings to promote NID and explain their operations. They spoke of how climate change and weather anomalies affect water availability for the system, and they told of how many different services they provide in the delivery of water to the system.
- 2. The question was asked how NID rates compare to other water districts. The ladies explained how difficult the comparison is because of various district sizes and types of water delivery required.
- III. Between the scholarship recipients and the NID representative speakers President Rodriguez emphasized the need for more volunteers this election season than were available last election. Neva Parker, candidate for California Assembly also encouraged more volunteers to canvas neighborhoods to raise voter participation over last election period.
- IV. A Nevada County Democratic Club representative thanked AADC for its support for their evening with Adam Schiff on August 8, 2023.
- V. Sue Hilderbrand appeared via Zoom to encourage volunteerism. She emphasized that our area overwhelmingly supported reproductive freedom in the last election, and yet Kevin Kiley, Auburn area congressional representative, is staunchly anti-abortion. She believes, if volunteers get out and increase the vote, there is a good chance to replace him this coming election.

VI. For the good of the order

- 1. Rosie Wohlfromm asked Auburn area members to attend the August 15, 2023 County Supervisors meeting to support the continuation of Auburn's DeWitt Theatre.
- 2. Rosie also announced that AADC will not have a booth at the Auburn Home Show this year and she asked if there is any interest in having a booth at the Auburn District Fair.
 - C. It was announced that soon an email will be sent to members asking for donations for AADC's 2024 campaign office
 - VII. President's messages
- President Terry Rodriguez announced that the General Gomez Arts and Events Center will not be available for the September general meeting of AADC, and alternative venues must be considered.
- 2. The President let members know that he is still contacting possible candidates for California State Senator to ask them to participate in a candidate forum hosted by AADC.

Meeting adjourned 8:15 PM