

Auburn Area Democratic Club General Meeting Minutes

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AADC General Meeting March 7, 2024 Auburn City Hall: The Rose Room 1225 Lincoln Way Auburn CA 95603

Doors open at 6:00 PM for \$5.00 Pizza & Soft Drinks and Mingle Meeting Time: 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM or earlier

I. Call to Order:

Comment: The March General Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

II: Establish Quorum (AADC Secretary) (1 Minute) Comment: A quorum of more than 15 members was present.

III: Attendee Introduction (5 Minutes Approximate) Comment: Attendees introduced themselves and their participation interest in the AADC.

IV: President's Opening Statement (3 Minutes) Comment:

a) \$5.00 Pizza and Drinks

b) AADC Shirts & Campaign Signs Available

c) Guest Speaker Introduction

V. Guest Speaker:

a) Janelle Kellman, 2026 Candidate for California Lt Governor (45 Minutes)

Comment:

Ms. Kellman spoke of why she is running for Lt. Governor in 2026. She explained that she would extend the good works of the present Lt. Governor, plus promote ideas of her own. She is interested particularly in improving California's homeless issue. She expressed interest in environmental issues and increasing vocational education in California. She has political experience as Mayor of Sausalito.

VI. Special Speaker: (15 Minutes)

Natalie Zapata

Community and Youth Organizer

Topic: How to Engage the Community and Upcoming Generations in the Fight to Save our Schools!!! Comment: Natalie spoke with concern on the state of the Auburn Unified School District and the negative effect the AUSD School Board has had on the operation of the schools. She reported that two thirds of district teachers have quit their jobs because of interference in the performance of their employment. She is asking for community support for the effort to elect a more supportive school board and be aware of how school board rulings that are affecting public schools.

VII: AADC Business Topics & Committee Reports (15) Minutes Approximate)

a) T-Shirt distribution to any members present and distribute lawn signs. **Comment: Announced.**

b) AADC Treasurer: Gail Bartlow

1) Report on February Fundraising.

Comment: Gail Bartlow reported on the success of the HQ Matching Funds project and thanked all those who contributed for election year 2024, raising over \$6500.

e) b) CADEM CD-3 ROC Canvassing & Other Election Season 2024 Report: CADEM Auburn Anchor: Terry P Rodriguez

Comment:

AADC President Terry P Rodriguez, as the CADEM Auburn Area Anchor coordinator, thanked all those who helped canvas the Auburn Area on behalf of the CADEM Northern California Organizer, the Jessica Morse Campaign, & the Neva Parker for Assembly Campaign. He praised the organizing CADEM Auburn Anchor team of Sandy Floyd, Gail Bartlow, and Leslie Moonshine as the core for its success.

VIII: For the Good of the Order (110 Minutes)

Comment:

Larry Smith addressed the club for advice requesting information where his campaign donations would be best put to ensure the hope of attaining success for our Democratic candidates in election year 2024. Many suggested donating directly to Democratic campaigns. Others recommended donating to a group who could divide their donations among the Democratic candidates. The result of the discussion preferred donating directly to a candidate's campaign.

Rosie Wohlfromm reported on her optimism that many of her Republican friends feel the Democrats will "win it all" in November. She suggested this is an indication that we live in a flippable district.

IX. AADC General Meeting End

Next Meeting: When: April 4, 2024 Time: Doors Open 6:00 PM \$5.00 Pizza and Drinks and Mingle Where: Auburn City Hall Rose Room