



Auburn Area Democratic Club

161 Palm Ave, Suite 8 & 9
Auburn, CA, 95603

AADC E-Board Meeting – Mar 13, 2026

Officers Present:

President: Cindy Engen

Vice President: Don Ferguson

Controller: Judy Gomez

Secretary: Joan Jernegan

Committee Chairs and Co-Chairs Present:

Membership Co-Chairs: Sandy Floyd

Community Events Chair: (Vacant)

Communications Chair: Emily Gaber for Susan Roughgarden

Voter Registration Co-chairs: Leslie Moonshine and Gail Bartlow

Fundraising: (Vacant)

Absent:

Edlene McKenzie

Susan Roughgarden

Guest(s) Present:

Dorian Seamster

Sheila Weintraub

Jack Sanchez

I. Call to Order

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to Order by President Engen at 11:00 a.m.

II: Introduction

- Cindy Engen, President- No housekeeping matters at this time.
 - Home Depot Boycott. AADC does not endorse the boycott and prefers to not adopt an official position. It was previously approved by the EBoard that we disseminate information about boycott and protests, and allow members to make up their own minds.

The consensus was to clarify our position on our AADC website that when you express an opinion in the community, no individual may represent that they speak for the AADC, but for themselves only, as a member of the AADC.

III: Approval of Minutes

- Feb 13, 2026 E-Board Minutes
MOTION: Don Ferguson moved to accept the Feb. 13 EBoard minutes. Seconded. Minutes were approved by a voice vote.

IV: Officer Updates

- President Cindy Engen asked for Opinions of last General Meeting. Discussion and upgrades discussed.
- Next General Meeting in April the speaker will be from NorCal Resist. The proposal to have Ben Allen, top runner for Insurance Commissioner to speak also at this meeting, was opposed as the NorCal Resist presentation takes a full hour.
- President Engen will look into a Zoom Meeting with PCDC help, for Ben Allen and Jane Kim and others are running. Perhaps to occur at the end of April or early May.
- President Engen will be on vacation April 8th thru April 15th. Back up is Don Ferguson. President also cannot do EBoard on April 10, but could do April 17th. at 12:30, to which all agreed.

- VP Ferguson will be gone the first week of May and will not attend the May General Membership Meeting.
- Secretary Jernegan cannot attend either the July General Membership meeting or the EBoard meeting. Leslie Moonshine volunteered to take minutes of both.
- Political Data Integrated (PDI) affiliate for AADC is Greg Bala, with Mark Havener for technical assistance. Greg is also working with Jacob Boyce of PAN.
- Sunny Carraway's email – Hip Hop Congress fundraising opportunities. AADC is going to work with their Earth Day event on April 25th and other events going forward.
- Vice President- Don Ferguson
VP Ferguson reported he is preparing a Volunteer List for opening and closing the office, in Google Sheets format.
- Controller – Judy Gomez
Controller Gomez reported that she has changed the format of her spreadsheet to include colors.
She does not yet have the amounts current for the budget. The balance of the February bank statement was \$9,373 as of Feb 28, 2026
- Secretary-Joan Jernegan
No update at this time.
- For the Ad Hoc Scholarship Committee, Chair Jernegan reported that 12 Scholarship entries have been received from students at Foresthill, Del Oro, Placer High & Colfax. The Scholarship Committee will meet on March 20th to vote on best two recipients. No one is applying for trade school.

V. Committee Reports

- **Membership- Chair Sandy Floyd**

Chair Floyd reported that 52 members and nine guests attended the March General Membership meeting (out of a total of 227 AADC members). 25 purchased pizzas. Intend to put up a sign on side door, so anyone entering that way would check in.

Chair Floyd reported that the committee had started drafting a new Welcome letter and a new Application form with the assistance of Dorian.

Prep for Membership drive in April 18th will be advertised in the Auburn Journal. Swag and food and drink will be provided.

Discussion about backing non-Democrats for non-partisan races with no democrats in them. AADC may choose to back them if the consensus is that their values are in line with ours.

The proposition of raising the AADC membership fee was discussed. The general consensus was opposed. Anyone who joins at the level of \$200 or above would receive a handwritten thank you.

- **Community Events Committee- Vacant**
- **Voter Registration- Gail Bartlow & Leslie Moonshine (Co-chairs)**

Leslie Moonshine reported that the Celebrity Chef event was a big success. They sold out their charcuterie cups in 15 minutes.

AADC has been invited by the PCDC to share staffing of a table at the Placer County Fair in early September. The cost would be paid by Placer County Democrats.

Chair Moonshine reported that Placer Pride Day is May 16, in Royer Park, Roseville, from 11am to 5pm. (The AADC voted to sponsor this event at the Feb EBoard meeting) The event should be publicized on the AADC webpage in April.

\$26 for 26 – Gail Bartlow reported that the amount raised has reached \$5,383.

Chair Bartlow reported that Sierra College Earth Day is April 23, From 10 am to 3 pm. Voter registration to be conducted.

Chairs Bartlow and Moonshine reported that the Roseville Downtown Tuesday Nights is every Tuesday night in June and July. They propose sharing five nights with the Placer Women Democrats in Roseville at a cost of \$30 per night. It is good exposure for the AADC, because it is a very popular free event. Registering voters is the purpose.

Chair Moonshine Moved, and it was seconded, to work only three nights. Chair Bartlow is authorized to pay the \$150 registration fee, and request reimbursement for the Placer Women Democrats for their \$60 share. Unanimous voice vote to approve.

President Engen reported that Sunny Caraway wore a letter about “Hip Hop Congress” in Auburn. Chair Bartlow reported that the Hip Hop Congress celebrates Earth Day, and the cost is \$25 per table. It would be a good way to support voter registration at youth-oriented events. It needs to be advertised. Please notify Emily if it is cancelled.

- **Fundraising- Vacant**

Gail Bartow reported that the names of volunteers for poll workers have been submitted to the County. Fingerprinting at DeWitt will be scheduled soon. Training dates will be later and occur in Rocklin. Two seniors will be required to be present all day from 7am to 5pm and 14 hours on election day. Possible seniors are Don Ferguson, Rosie Wohlfromm, Gail Bartow and Sheila Weintraub. A total of ten people, four volunteers and 2 seniors from both AADC and Sierra Foothills Universalist Unitarians (SFUU) will staff the polls and AADC and SFUU will share the money earned.

Chair Moonshine reported that at the Picnic In 2025, the ticket price was \$25.00, with a total of \$2967 raised, but \$1,000 was spent on food. It was a lot of physical work. An auction was very difficult to conduct outdoors. The focus this year should be to allow the candidates to speak to the attendees. Leslie proposes having a boxed lunch instead of a BBQ. Ads should be sent to the membership.

We are considering an end of August date. President Engen and Chair Moonshine are working on this.

Another fundraising proposal was to rent the backroom of El Tapatio for a friendship/fundraiser after the primary, in early June. President Engen will see if they will offer a percentage of the profits back to AADC.

- **Communications**- Emily Graber as proxy for Susan Roughgarden (Chair)
Emily Graber reported on website updates.

VI. Old Business – Nothing at this time

VII. New Business

Membership Chair Floyd moved, and it was seconded, to donate \$250.00 to Neva Parker's campaign for California Assembly District 5. AADC donated \$250 to her campaign in 2024. AADC's endorsement of her campaign, should be added to our website by the Communications Committee. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote. Controller Gomez will ask the Treasurer for a \$250 check.

VIII: Adjournment:

Without objection the meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.