



Auburn Area Democratic Club General Meeting

Auburn City Hall. The Rose Room
1225 Lincoln Way
Auburn, CA, 95603

AADC General Membership Meeting – Thurs., Jun 4, 2026

A quorum being present, President: Cindy Engen called the General Membership Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Officers Present:

President: Cindy Engen
Vice President: Don Ferguson
Controller: Emily Gaber
Secretary: Joan Jernegan

Absent: None

Committee Chairs and Chairs Present:

Membership Co-Chairs: Sandy Floyd and Edlene McKenzie
Community Events Chair: (Vacant)
Communications Chair: Susan Roughgarden
Voter Registration Co-chairs: Gail Bartlow
Fundraising: (Vacant)

Absent: Voter Registration Co-chair Leslie Moonshine

Guest(s) Present: None

- I. **Call to Order** President Engen called the meeting to order at 6:30pm, a quorum being present.

II: Introduction

Cindy Engen, President, Welcome

III: Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Gail Bartlow MOVED to accept the Thurs, May 15, 2026 General Membership Meeting minutes. Seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously by a show of hands.

IV. Officer Updates

President- Cindy Engen

President Engen acknowledged all AADC volunteers who worked at the polls. President Engen asked the volunteers for the polling to stand so AADC could express gratitude for their dedication and time. President Engen awarded a MVP Award to Gail Bartlow for her work in organizing the AADC poll workers. President Engen also awarded an MVP Award to Don Ferguson for his work as a leader at the polls. Each was presented with a gift bag.

- Although election results are not final, Ami Bera is expected to win the opportunity to compete in November for the District 3 Congressional seat. President Engen reported that she has invited him to speak to the AADC General Membership before the November election. Judge Dixson is believed to have retained his seat as a Placer County Judge. Neva Parker is trailing Joe Patterson and has an uphill battle in November.
- President Engen read a thank you note from one of our AADC Scholarship recipients, Izadora Delmue, thanking AADC for the award.
- **Vice President** - Don Ferguson
- VP Ferguson reported that more volunteers are needed to set up and break down the Membership meetings, including picking up pizza and drinks. VP Ferguson also reported that after AADC advertised for a small refrigerator, we received two small refrigerators, both of which are greatly appreciated..
- **Controller** – Emily Gaber - No report.
- **Secretary**- Joan Jernegan - No report.

V. Committee Reports

- **Membership Committee – Co-Chairs Sandy Floyd and Edlene McKenzie**
 - Co-Chair Floyd reported that the total membership of AADC is 243 members as of today's date.
 - Renewal dues for existing members are due in July. The standard dues are \$25.
- **Community Events Committee-** (Chair Vacant)
- **Poll workers** -Gail Bartlow thanked the volunteers and reported that the Club will earn \$6,000 from our efforts. She proposed that we do it again in the November election, if SFUU will join us and we can get the same location.
- **Voter Registration Committee - Co Chair Gail Bartlow**
 - Co-chair Bartlow reported that we have registered 47 voters, including six at the Pride event.
 - Co-Chair Bartlow reported that the AADC will be participating in the Downtown Tuesday Nights Roseville with Placer Women Democrats. AADC's three nights to staff the table are June 23, 30 and July 14, 2026.
- **Fundraising** (Vacant)
 - President Engen reported that a fundraising event, a picnic on August 29, will be held. Food from Costco will be provided and Members are encouraged to volunteer to bring salads, side dishes and desserts.
- **Communications Committee – Chair Susan Roughgarden**
 - Chair Roughgarden thanked those who wrote Letters to the Editor. She reported that additional volunteers are welcome. What's Happening is published every Sunday morning. AADC also has printed business cards and everyone should take some to hand out to friends and acquaintances who might be interested.

VII. Old Business – None.

VIII. New Business

President Engen reported that a **Celebration or Commiseration fundraiser lunch** at El Tapatio will be on Saturday, June 6th from 11:30a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Buy your own lunch and Margaritas and El Tapatio will give 20% back to AADC. We have reserved the back area. Please sign up online.

President Engen reported that **Juneteenth** is on June 20th in Rocklin at Johnson-Springview Park 9 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. with fun for all. AADC will have a booth from 9:00 am to 1:00 p.m. and could use volunteers.

President Engen reported that the **Placer County Democratic Party** will have a booth at Placer County Fair on Thursday June 25th through Sunday June 28th inside the air conditioned Roebellen Center in Roseville. AADC has chosen not to have its own booth, but volunteers are needed to take a shift under three hours for the Placer County Democrats. There will be a sign up under www.signupgenius on our website.

IX. Speakers

President Engen introduced **Twiana Anderson** of SeeMYChild who spoke about Juneteenth. She described how Juneteenth is an American History observance, remembering the date that enslaved peoples on Galveston Island in Texas first learned of the Emancipation Proclamation issued two **and a half** years earlier. America's strength is in its diversity. We need to work together for inclusive communities.

Sheryl Ryder, a member of both AADC and Placer Women Democrats, reported on a project by the latter Club in partnership with SeeMYChild for a **Back-to-School Supply Drive** for Placer County Public Elementary Schools and Families. The goal is to provide resources for four schools and supplies for at least 250 children, in need of financial assistance. Purchases and donations are due by July 30, 2026. <https://lnk.in/PWDschoolsupplies>

President Engen introduced **Julann Brown, Chair of PCDCC**. Chair Julann urged members to sign up for the Democracy Academy on June 16th on Zoom. The movement lives in the Clubs, while PCDCC coordinates and assists the Clubs. We are a shared ecosystem. Both major political parties have been losing voters to No Party Preference (NPP) registration.

Julann reported that the PCDCC wants a change from the top two primary. She indicated that in District 6, the Democratic vote was diluted, and Dr. Pan may fall into third place. She urged people to sign up to call voters who voted for Dr. Pan to cure errors or omissions in their ballots.

We need to unify for the November election. We need to deepen Club membership, register voters, and build a volunteer pipeline. The Get Out the Vote efforts will start in August-September. Need canvassers to go door to door with a slate of candidates. We need to support Ami Bera as the favored Democrat. Early voting is key.

There will be a Democratic Party booth at the **State Fair** beginning July 17th, sharing the table with other Clubs.

X. Member Announcements:

Jeanette Springham announced that **Indivisible** is sponsoring a People over Profits demonstration on June 20th at Bell & 49 from 10am to 12pm.

Terry Rodriguez announced that he is running for the California 4th District and seeks the endorsement of the AADC. Our region is underrepresented. His opposition is a candidate from Sacramento, Lee Miller. Only the delegates can vote, the Club cannot. The PCDCC endorsed Terry Rodriguez at their meeting June 3, 2026. The election is June 22, 2026.

Julann Brown made a MOTION for AADC to endorse Terry Rodriguez. Seconded. A vote was held by the members present. In favor of endorsement were 25 members, opposed none, with six abstentions. The motion to endorse carried.

XI. Adjournment: Without objection the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.