

April 2013 Membership Meeting

Notebook: Stonewall Democrats
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- Called to order by Elena Guajardo at 6:30pm
- The Membership observed a Moment of Silence for the victims of today's bombings in Boston, MA
- Introductions
 - Irma Rosas, a candidate for Mayor of City of San Antonio shared her platform, including the fact that she is a lesbian
 - Mr. Medina, the Bexar County Democratic Party Chairman was recognized.
 - Guillermo Villarreal, from Congressman Lloyd Doggett was introduced as the LGBT Liaison
 - Sharon Seesholtz was recognized as the newest member of the Board of Directors
- Mr. Manuel Medina, Bexar County Democratic Party Chairman
 - Just 2 years ago, we lost every competitive race (2010).
 - Discussed comprehensive Immigration Reform, Women's Issues at the State Level and LGBT Equality on the local level.
 - The Party has formed committees on each of these topics.
 - Mr. Medina made a call to action for help with the following:
 - Knock on Doors
 - Voter Registration
 - Bexar County needs to be a leader on the State and National levels
 - Draft Castro for Governor Campaign
 - The Party needs to be financially independent through its new sustaining membership campaign
- Minutes were presented to the body. There was one grammatical correction. The minutes were accepted without objection.
 - Attached to the Minutes was the only Thank You note received from an Endorsed Candidate to date, Councilman Rey Saldana
- Treasurer's Report
 - Current Balance is \$12,020.54
 - Thank you to Minerva Mendoza & Kevin Voelker on their timely filing of the Membership Dues with National & State Stonewall.
- Committee Reports
 - Endorsement, Allen Castro & Dan Graney
 - Our chapter has given all endorsed candidates \$500.
 - Allen Castro discussed that the Board of Directors met last week and the endorsements made during the Endorsement Forum stand.
 - There was various discussion on this topic.
 - Membership, Minerva Mendoza
 - There are 115 Current Members
 - There are 70 Lapsed Members
 - Thank you to those who renewed their membership today

- Old Business
 - Elena Discussed National Stonewall Issues and that we were going to be holding the dues in Escrow
 - Our chapter has received the Roberto J. Flores Award for Club Development
- New Business
 - There will be a voter registrar event on April 18th.
 - City Council Races
 - Early Voting starts on April 29th
 - Campaign finance reports show candidates are bringing in very little money.
- Announcements
 - Mission Democrats is doing a forum for City Council District 2, 3, & 4 on May 1st.
 - Wounded Warriors donations are being accepted through this meeting.
 - Louie Hildago invited people to the swearing in as Governor for a Day.
 - The Membership adjourned at 7:45pm

SUBMITTED

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ch. J. Flores". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.