

March 2012- Board Meeting

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Stonewall Democrats of San Antonio Board of Directors Meeting March 2012

Called to order at 6:31pm by Eduardo Juarez

Directors Present: Minerva Mendoza, Jeanie Minor, Ruby Krebs, Kevin Voelker, Christopher Forbrich, Allen Castro, Eduardo Juarez, Elena Guajardo, Linda Allen.

Guests: Peg MacPhail, Cris Ramirez

Minutes, Chris Forbrich

- Linda Allen moved and Kevin Voelker seconded to approve the minutes with one correction. The motion passed.

Membership, Minerva Mendoza

- 170 Members at Present

Treasurer's Report, Kevin Voelker

- Balance is currently \$13,321.97
- Financial Review scheduled for following Sunday

Endorsement:

- A motion was made by Linda Allen, a seconded by Jeanie Minor that Rule No. 2 of the Stonewall Democrats of San Antonio's Standing Rules of Endorsement from: "*SDSA endorsement of candidates for public office and positions on ballot proposition and other measures may be determined at any properly called meeting of the membership of SDSA, provided that the number of members present is equal to or greater than ten percent (10%) of the SDSA members in good standing, thereby constituting a quorum, and that the notice of the meetings by mail, newsletter, e-mail, phone or fax includes notification of the races, ballot propositions or other matters which are to be considered for endorsement. The Secretary shall provide written notice of the endorsement meeting to all members in good standing no later than 15 days prior to the meeting. To be eligible to vote for endorsement of a candidate or support a ballot proposition or measure, a member must be a member in good standing at the time of the endorsement meeting. Proxy voting is not permitted. Candidates, their staff members and campaign volunteers, who are otherwise eligible to vote as SDSA members, are eligible to vote for endorsement of any and all candidates being*

considered." To: "SDSA endorsement of candidates for public office and positions on ballot proposition and other measures may be determined at any properly called meeting of the membership of SDSA, provided that the number of members present is equal to or greater than ten percent (10%) of the SDSA members in good standing, thereby constituting a quorum, and that the notice of the meetings by mail, newsletter, e-mail, phone or fax includes notification of the races, ballot propositions or other matters which are to be considered for endorsement. The Secretary shall provide written notice of the endorsement meeting to all members in good standing no later than 15 days prior to the meeting. To be eligible to vote for endorsement of a candidate or support of a ballot proposition or measure, a member must be in good standing as defined in Article IV, Section 1 of the SDSA Bylaws and have been a member for at least 30 days prior to the endorsement meeting or, in the case of a lapsed member, renewed their membership at the time of the endorsement meeting. For the purposes of these Standing Rules of Endorsement, a lapsed member is defined as one whose dues are less than a year in arrears. **The motion passed with Chris Forbrich abstaining.**

- Linda Allen moved to adopt changes to the Standing Rules of Endorsement from: "8. The options of "Endorsed", "No Endorsement", "Candidate Failed to Respond," or "Recommendation to Vote Against," are permitted in each race. SDSA may rate any ballot proposition or other measure as "Support", "Oppose", or "No Position". An affirmative vote of greater than 50 percent (50%) of total SDSA members present, eligible to vote and voting shall be required to endorse a candidate or take a position on a ballot proposition or other measure. In the event no candidate receives greater than 50% of the vote in a race where there are more than two (2) candidates, a runoff election must occur. In the event of a tie, the remaining candidates will be rated as "Favorable" by SDSA" to: "8. The options of "Endorsed", "Candidate Failed to Respond," or "Recommendation to Vote Against," are permitted FOR EACH CANDIDATE. SDSA may rate any ballot proposition or other measure as "Support", "Oppose", or "No Position". An affirmative vote of greater than 50 percent (50%) of total SDSA members present, eligible to vote and voting shall be required to endorse a candidate or take a position on a ballot proposition or other measure. ALL "AYE," "NAY," AND "ABSTAIN" VOTES ARE COUNTED IN DETERMINING WHETHER THERE IS A 50% + 1 MAJORITY. In the event no candidate receives greater than 50% of the vote in a race where there are more than two (2) candidates, a runoff election must occur. IN THE EVENT NO CANDIDATE RECEIVES A 50% + 1 MAJORITY OF VOTES IN THE RUN OFF, SUCH CANDIDATES MAY BE GIVEN A RATING OF "FAVORABLE." IN THE EVENT NO CANDIDATE IN A RACE IS ENDORSED OR GIVEN A "FAVORABLE" RATING, THAT RACE WILL BE RATED AS "NO ENDORSEMENT." Minerva Mendoza seconded the motion. **The motion passed.**
- Linda Allen moved to adopt changes to the Standing Rules of Endorsement from: "9. Only one candidate may be endorsed per seat. An endorsement implies that the SDSA recommends that people vote for that candidate rather than any other candidates for that seat. It does not imply that SDSA supports all of the candidate's positions. Candidates who are rated "Favorable" are given this rating only in the event there is a tie in the vote to endorse in a particular race." to "9. Only one candidate may be endorsed per seat. An endorsement implies that the SDSA recommends that people vote for that candidate rather than any other candidates for that seat. It does not imply that SDSA supports all of the candidate's positions." The motion was seconded by Minerva Mendoza. **The motion passed.**

Old Business:

- Linda Allen moved and Minerva Mendoza seconded to table Ruby Krebs' motion to have a discount membership program. The motion passed.
- Chris Forbrich moved to allocate \$165 to Prestige Printing for contribution envelope printing. Eduardo Juarez seconded. The motion passed.

- Chris Forbrich moved to allocate \$58 to renew the Postage Box. Ruby Krebs seconded. The motion passed.
- Jeanie Minor moved to allocate \$125 for the entry fee for Pridefest. Minerva Mendoza seconded. The motion passed.

Chris Forbrich moved to Adjourn at 8:20pm. Ruby Krebs seconded. The meeting was adjourned.