

SDSA Membership Meeting Minutes

October 17, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 PM by Co-chairs Elena Guajardo and Eduardo Juarez in the Fiesta Room of Luby's Cafeteria.

The meeting began with candidates and politicians introducing themselves. Choco Meza, chair of the Bexar County Democratic Party spoke briefly expressing her thanks to all who helped pay off the debt.

Cris Ramirez, secretary, moved to adopt the September Membership Minutes as posted on the web site, Bryan Gerard seconded and the motion carried.

Kevin Voelker, treasurer, reported that SDSA currently has a balance of \$9,033.45 in the bank.

Elena Guajardo praised gay activist Frank Kamany, who died this week.

Eduardo Juarez, SDSA Co-chair, was introduced as the meetings guest speaker. He spoke about Employment discrimination and the body of case law relevant to this and particularly favorable to transgender individuals.

Kevin Voelker, treasurer, will be the 2012 SDSA Banquet Chair.

SDSA Holiday Party will be on December 10th at the home of Chris Forbrich, detail to be announced.

Linda Allen, Endorsement Committee, presented SDSA's list of FIE (Friendly Incumbent Endorsements) to the members for their approval. The following names were presented: Leticia van de Putte, Ron Rangel, Trey Martinez Fisher, Mike Villarreal, Amadeo Ortiz, Mike Soto, Charlie Gonzalez, Ruth McClendon Jones, Joe Farias, and Barak Obama. Chris Forbrich made a motion to accept the names presented, Kevin Voelker seconded and the motion passed.

Chris Forbrich explained the restructuring of the SDSA Board and the changes to the by-laws required to make the changes. Chris moved to accept the changes to the by-laws, Linda Allen seconded and the motion passed.

Several announcements were made including the upcoming board positions open for the January election.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cristina M. Ramirez,
SDSA Secretary