

## **COCONUT CREEK DEMOCRATIC CLUB MINUTES**

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DATE:	Т	Tuesday, Dec 8, 2020				
TIME:	7	7:30 pm				
LOCATION:	Z	Zoom Meeting				
https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0of-iprDoiHtUzopLZWuK4j0WDRhn0wgAn						
PRESIDING OFFICER:		Gregory Gayle	MINUTE TAKER:		Mikkie Belvedere	
TYPE OF MEETING:		Regular	TIMEKEEPER:		Gregory Gayle	
MEETING OF:		Membership	QUORUM:		YES	
ATTENDANCE						
BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT						
□ Greg Gayle		Commissioner M	☐ Jim Lansing		□ Joe DeAngelis	
President		Belvedere,	Treasurer		Member	
		Member				
□ Sajan Kurian		Saima Farooqui				
Vice President		Vice President				
CLUB MEMBERS PRESENT						
□ 20 members	[	□ 2 guests				
ELECTED OFFICIALS, CANDIDATES, AND THEIR REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT						
☐ Mayor Christine		Commissioner	□ Commissioner		Ronny Sydney, Pres,	
Hunschofsky,		Becky Tooley	Sandy Welch		Wynmoor Dem. Club	
Parkland, FL						
□ Mona		Daphne				
Malbranche,		Fernandez (Sen				
Pres, Kings Point		Tina Polsky's				
Democratic Club		Office)				

#### **MEETING START**

- □ President Gayle started the meeting at 7:43 pm by welcoming attendees. Members shared thoughts and/or commented on the holiday season.
- ☐ He showed a <u>video</u> of the National Anthem being sung as part of the 2020 Democratic National Convention.
- □ A <u>video</u> showing former Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords reciting the Pledge of Allegiance at the 2012 Democratic National Convention was shown.

#### **CLUB BUSINESS**

□ Using a PPT, President Gayle started the meeting by welcoming everyone to the Zoom session.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

- □ President Gayle presented the Club's bank statement to members. The current balance is \$1,814.86.
- ☐ The Board approved \$500 for the two Democratic senatorial campaigns in Georgia scheduled for Jan 5, 2021. The check was mailed to Fair Fight.

#### **BOARD UPDATES**

#### The Club will be

- □ Contacting precinct members in 2021
- □ Reminding members to renew their membership
- □ Sending emails to members on different topics
- ☐ Hosting a Coconut Creek Commission Candidate Forum on Tues, Feb 9, 2021
- ☐ Moving our March meeting to March 2, 2021

#### **BROWARD DEMOCRATIC PARTY**

- □ The Broward County Council of Presidents of Democratic Clubs and Caucuses hosted two candidate forums for DEC candidates. These Zoom forums were held on Friday, Dec 4 at 6 pm and Sat, Dec 5 at 11 am. The recorded sessions are located on the Club's Facebook Page LINK.
- □ On Sunday, Dec 6<sup>th</sup>, DEC members elected Rick Hoye as the new Chair of the Broward Democratic Party.

#### NATIONAL POLITICS

- □ President Gayle showed a video called "Whispers III" from the Lincoln Project.
- ☐ There was a conversation on President-elect Biden's cabinet choices.

#### **GUEST SPEAKER**

- □ On March 9, 2021, there will be a municipal election in Coconut Creek. Coconut Creek Commission Candidate Jackie Railey spoke to the members.
  - o Ms. Railey introduced herself to the members by sharing her background. She talked about the turnpike expansion, the monarch hill site, education, and the promotion of local businesses.
  - o She ended her talk by answering questions from members. Many members expressed their support for her candidacy.

#### STATE UPDATES

- □ State Representative Christine Hunschofsky updated members on the upcoming legislative session.
  - Her updates include talking about the bills she will be introducing for the upcoming session. One bill would name the Southeast Florida coral reef in honor of former state representative Kristin Jacobs.
  - o Representative Hunschofsky announced that starting this cycle, members of the Florida House are able to introduce seven individual bills (instead of six).
  - o As of this meeting, House committee assignments have not been announced.
  - o She encouraged members to contact her should they have any questions.
  - o She ended her updates by announcing that Beth Lerner is her legislative assistant and that her local office was located in City Hall.
  - Her contact information is 954-956-5600 |
    C.Hunschofsky@myfloridahouse.gov
- □ Daphne Fernandez (Sen. Tina Polsky's Office) introduced herself to members and encouraged everyone to contact her should they have any questions.
  - o Her contact information is:

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### **ADJOURNMENT**

□ Before ending the meeting at 8:48 pm, he showed a video from Saturday Night Life called "Children's Clothing Ad".