



# COCONUT CREEK DEMOCRATIC CLUB MINUTES

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<b>DATE:</b>	Tuesday, March 2, 2021
<b>TIME:</b>	7:30 pm
<b>LOCATION:</b>	Zoom Meeting <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0of-iprDoiHtUzopLZWuK4j0WDRhn0wgAn">https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0of-iprDoiHtUzopLZWuK4j0WDRhn0wgAn</a>

<b>PRESIDING OFFICER:</b>	Gregory Gayle	<b>MINUTE TAKER:</b>	Mikkie Belvedere
<b>TYPE OF MEETING:</b>	Club Election	<b>TIMEKEEPER:</b>	Gregory Gayle
<b>MEETING OF:</b>	Membership	<b>QUORUM:</b>	YES

## ATTENDANCE

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT			
<input type="checkbox"/> Greg Gayle <i>President</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Betsy Kalau, <i>Member</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Jim Lansing <i>Treasurer</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Saima Farooqui <i>1<sup>st</sup> Vice President</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Joe DeAngelis <i>Member</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Commissioner M Belvedere, <i>Member</i>		

## CLUB MEMBERS PRESENT

26 members/guests

ELECTED OFFICIALS, CANDIDATES, AND THEIR REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT			
<input type="checkbox"/> Nora Rupert, Broward School Board Member	<input type="checkbox"/> Commissioner Joshua Rydell	<input type="checkbox"/> Commissioner Sandy Welch	<input type="checkbox"/> Sinan Kassim, Rep. Hunschofsky's Office
<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate Lauren Linville	<input type="checkbox"/> Candidate Patricia Duaybes	<input type="checkbox"/> August Mangeney, Pres, Margate DC	<input type="checkbox"/> Mona Malbranche, Pres, KPDC

## MEETING START

- President Gayle started the meeting at 7:30 pm by welcoming attendees.
- He showed a [video](#) of Lady Gaga singing the National Anthem at President's Biden inauguration.
- A [video](#) showing 2020 National Democratic Convention delegates reciting the Pledge of Allegiance was shown.

## CLUB BUSINESS

- Using a PPT, President Gayle started the meeting by welcoming everyone to the Zoom session. He then asked attendees to share their experiences living in the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Sinan Kassim, Rep. Hunschofsky's representative, provided her updates from the state's legislative session.
- President Gayle highlighted "Women's History Month" by talking about U.S. Representative Shirley Chisholm.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

- President Gayle presented the Club's bank statement to members. The current balance is \$1,708.86. He reminded members that members should pay their 2021 membership dues.

## CLUB ELECTIONS

- President Gayle then allowed Nominations Chair August Mangeney to conduct the club's annual election. The following individuals were elected unopposed. After the election, President Gayle thanked members for their support.

OFFICE	NAME
President	Greg Gayle
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Saima Farooqui
Vice President	Sajan Kurian
Treasurer	Jim Lansing
Secretary	Lauren Linville
Board Member	Mikkie Belvedere
Board Member	Joe DeAngelis
Board Member	Betsy Kalau
Board Member	Ilene Garland
Board Member	Mohammad Farooqui
Parliamentarian	Vacant

## COCONUT CREEK MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS 2021

### MARCH 9, 2021 ELECTIONS

- President Gayle updated members on the City of Coconut Creek's municipal elections scheduled for Tues, March 9<sup>th</sup>. Below is a list of the commission candidates by district.

District B	District C	District E
Nikitress Vachon Lewis Jacqueline Mary Railey	Patricia Louise Duaybes Wesner St Vil Sandra L. Welch	Lauren Linville Joshua David Rydell

### FUTURE INITIATIVES

- President Gayle then started a discussion concerning future initiatives for the Club. Below were the main topics.

✓ Phone banking
✓ Zoom conversations with interesting individuals
✓ Growing membership
✓ Others

### SIEGE ON THE CAPITOL

- President Gayle reminded members of the Jan 6<sup>th</sup> siege on the Capitol. He highlighted the [12 Florida](#) Members of Congress who did not vote to certify all electoral votes submitted by states. They were Kat Cammack, Mario Diaz-Balart, Byron Donalds, Neal Dunn, Scott Franklin, Matt Gaetz, Carlos Gimenez, Brian Mast, Bill Posey, John Rutherford, Greg Steube and Dan Webster.
- He encouraged members not to forget them.

### ADJOURNMENT

- Before ending the meeting at 9:05 pm, he showed a Lincoln Project [video](#) of Senator Ted Cruz flying to Cancun, Mexico during the ice storm in Texas.