

DPVC Executive Committee Minutes 4/18/2023

Meeting Called to order at 7:02pm

Attendees: Summer Ludwig, Jeffrey Anderson, Kathy McCord, Teresa Smith de Cherif (for David Tynan), Marcos Balido, Linda Guenley, George Colombo, Torres Leyba

Agenda Items

1. Approve Agenda - Motion - George Colombo - Second - Linda Guenley - Motion Carried
2. Set Agenda for General Business Meeting - Much discussion was had regarding the agenda for our General Business Meeting. Main points that were made were: It will be important to lay out what the perspective for the party is and what some of our plans and visions for the future are. We need to find volunteers and people to fill CCC seats and Ward leadership positions, and we want to facilitate productive brainstorming sessions. Kathy explained a technique that she learned regarding brainstorming sessions that revolved around open-ended essential questions.

Agenda is:

Introductions

Explanation of Vision of Party Plan for the Future

Intro to the Brainstorming Session

Break into Groups for the sessions (EC members will facilitate)

Each group will have one person report out

Brief explanation of open opportunities CCC/Ward leadership

Announcements - including inviting them for the results in our next meeting

Adjournment

3. Code of Conduct discussion - Linda created a code of conduct that Summer will send to all members to review. We reviewed it on the shared screen. She had sent prior to Chair, Vice Chair, and Michelle Tafoya for review. Discussion was had. Teresa suggested following Roberts Rules of Orders and including that in the Code. Summer agreed and added that had been suggested by DPNM Chair in a recent meeting as well. Kathy suggested that we look at other Rules of Orders as the Adelante Caucus uses another set that encourages more open sharing. We will review the Code and re-address at the next EC meeting.
4. Additional CCC members - Just a reminder that all of the Wards have additional CCC members they can appoint and we will speak about this at the General Business Meeting.
5. Discord Server - The link to the Discord Server has been sent out so please take a look, sign up for it and play around with it to try and familiarize yourself.
6. Next meeting May 9, 2023 at 6pm

Announcements

1. Teresa shared that Whitfield is having an Earth Day Fiesta Friday and Saturday this week with lots of events for children and adults. She also advised that this is a great way for Dems to be active in the community and make connections, by engaging in Civic organizations that aren't political in nature where you meet people from all types of backgrounds.
2. There will be a Big Tent Party that we will be working on in conjunction with the Thinking Liberally Think Tank on May 21st. It will be a social event, not technically marketed towards Dems but more to the community at large as a way to get into the communities and socialize. We spoke about a t-shirt fundraiser and Kathy explained a method of creating tshirts that we could do at the party that would be fun for kids and adults.
3. SCC meeting is Saturday and we are in the middle of the election so please remember to get your ballots in on time if you are an SCC member.
4. Discussed the Communications Committee - We will have a signup sheet at our General meeting for various tasks/committees and then will get them going asap. Discussion was had about going back to MailChimp. We will stay with MailerLite due to cost savings.
5. Summer will email everyone regarding an inservice day so that we can get a lot of the work done that needs to be front loaded like all of the calendar of events for the county, candidate dates/requirements of upcoming elections, contact information for folks in committees, and various other tasks that it would be easier to do together in person.

Adjourned at 7:58pm