



Stonewall Democrats of Dallas

Regular Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2021

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Stonewall Democrats of Dallas was held on Tuesday, April 20, 2021 on Zoom. President Todd Hill-Jones called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Secretary Omar Jimenez was present.

Guest Speaker

The guest speaker was presented by Angela Hale, Senior Advisor, from Equality Texas on LGBT+ Legislation in Austin.

Minutes

The Minutes of the March 16, 2021 Regular Meeting, were distributed via e-mail to the membership, corrected, and adopted by general consent.

The Legislative Affairs Committee Report was presented by Chair Josh Cogan. He shared and worked on the LGBT Tracker created by Equality Texas.

The Political Affairs report was presented by Chair Josh Cogan. He met with President Todd Hill-Jones and Treasurer Jessica Oeffner regarding donations going out to endorsed candidates. He made an ask for help on Councilman Adam Bazaldua, Jesse Moreno, and Gay Donnell Wills Campaign's.

Report of Officers

1. President's Report was given by Todd Hill-Jones:

- Block walked for Paul Ridley, Paula Blackmon, and Adam Bazaldua
- Worked on programming such as the Dallas Police Chief Eddie Garcia Town Hall and co-hosting the Randy Rainbow Concert with the Dallas County Democratic Party
- Putting together an event of the 25th Anniversary of Stonewall Dallas

Vice-President's Report was given by Susie Hess.

- Announced a petition that will be circulating among Precinct Chairs regarding an accident involving a precinct chair.
- Call for action educating members on issues affecting Brown, Black, and Asian Communities.

The Financial Report

Treasurer Jessica Oeffner reported as follows:

Ending Balance on April 20, 2021 **\$17,700**

Reports of Standing Committees

The Volunteer Committee report was presented by Chair Tenay Barker. Chair Barker is working with Outlaw Program at the University of North Texas at Dallas School of Law on limitations over volunteer hours regarding volunteering for endorsed candidates. She encouraged members to block walk for our endorsed candidates.

The Membership Committee report was presented by Chair Tenay Barker. Chair Barker asked for members to join both the volunteering and membership committee.

The Communications Committee Report was presented by Chairman David Heflin. Chair Heflin continues to monitor the Stonewall Facebook Group to ensure members are following the rules. He worked on the graphics for the Dallas Police Chief Eddie Garcia Town Hall Event, endorsement slate, and advertisements on the Dallas Voice and push cards. He worked with the Dallas County Democratic Party on a Press Release regarding Anti LGBT+ Legislation that is being considered in Austin. Chair Heflin made an ask for a webmaster for the website.

The Voter Registration Committee report was presented by Chair Joey Casiano. Chair Casiano held tabling events at the Round-Up Saloon and Hunky's Hamburgers. The committee was working on passing out Stonewall Slate Cards at important attractions in Dallas.

The Fundraising Committee Report was presented Chair Vonda Bailey-Shaw. She spoke with Texas State Representative Jessica Gonzalez on being a possible speaker at a June Event.

The Meetings Committee Report was presented by Chair Joe Cannon. Chair Cannon reported on a Transition to Phase 2 in June as a hybrid meeting. He is in the process on looking at holding membership meetings in each Dallas County Commissioners Court Precincts. He asked for members to suggest locations.

Announcements

The following announcements were made:

1. President Todd Hill-Jones awarded the Board Member of the Month to David Heflin and drew a winner for a ticket to the Randy Rainbow Concert.
2. Vice President Susie Hess reviewed the Dallas City Charter Amendments that we're on the ballot on the May 1, 2021 Joint Election.
3. Member David Bradley announced a toolkit for a call for action that State Democratic Executive Committeewoman Susan Bradley posted on the Facebook Group regarding HB 6.

Adjourn

The motion to adjourn the meeting was adopted. The meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM following the announcements



Omar Jimenez, Secretary



Approved: _____ 05/18/2021