General meeting of the Imperial Beach Democrats Club

Location: 150 Palm Ave., Imperial Beach, CA 91932

Chairperson: Martha Emerald

Members in Attendance: Officers: Martha Emerald serving President-Elected Membership VP
Anna Webb serving Communications VP-Elected President
Ernie Galindo Elected Vice President
Felicia House serving Outreach VP-Elected Secretary
Ramon Hernandez serving Treasurer-re-Elected Treasurer
Karl Bradley serving Media VP-temporary Media VP
Josie Hamada re-Elected Member at Large
Sandy Brillhart Elected Member at Large

Members: Bryan Brillhart, Doug Case, Paloma Aguirre, Bart and Marcia Bachman, Dely Judal, Terry Peterson, Paula Hall, Jane King, Mark West, Laura Paterson, Andy Ruthanberg, Michelle Krug, Leah Goodwin, Ed Spriggs, Ramon Espinal.

Call to order: Martha Emerald at 6:05pm with the pledge of allegiance.

Adoption of Agenda: Mark moved to approve the agenda the motion was seconded and so approved.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes were accepted without objection.

Officer reports: Martha Emerald gave a brief overview of the work done by the club throughout the year, and with the blessing of the body, Mark gave a brief report about the "blue wave" that took place in San Diego county this election cycle. Martha gave the treasurers report as Ramon was stuck in traffic. We have 500.00 dollars in the bank. It was motioned that we accept the treasurer's report. The motion was seconded, and the it was accepted.

New business: Elections were held.

Anna ran for president. After taking note of her background the body voted 15 in favor and 0 against. She will be serving as president for a one-year term.

Ernie Galindo was nominated by Felicia House to be vice-president, and he accepted the nomination. The body voted 15 in favor and 0 against. He will be serving as vice-president for a one-year term.

Felicia House ran for secretary, and after voting by the body of 15 in favor and 0 against, was elected for a one-year term.

Ramon Hernandez ran for treasurer, was voted in by the body at 15 in favor and 0 against. He will be serving a term of one-year.

Martha Emerald ran for VP of membership. After a vote of 15 in favor and 0 against she was elected to serve for a one-year term.

Karl Bradley was accepted by the body as the interim Media VP until such time as someone will step up in the position.

Josie Hamada ran for Member at Large. After a vote by the body of 15 in favor and 0 against, it was determined she will be serving for a one-year term.

Sandy Brillhart was nominated for the other Member at Large, and she accepted. The body voted 15 in favor and 0 against. She will serve a one-year term.

The Imperial Beach Democratic Club's newly elected officers were sworn in by councilman Ed Spriggs.

Doug Case, political affairs director for Senator Toni Adkins was our guest speaker. He began his presentation about Robert's "Rules of Order" by General Henry M. Robert. The presentation was about 30 minutes after such time, he handed a shorten version of his presentation, and then he recommended that our President purchases this book to help keep our meeting in order.

New business: We took up the Anna's reimbursement for payments she made for our website, it was moved by Michelle Krug that we reimburse her the full amount. The motion carried unanimously. She will be reimbursed fully.

A-Dems candidate for the 78th, Ramon Espinal spoke asking for our support. He is a retiring teacher and is part of the progressive democratic slate.

Anna spoke asking for questions or comments. Josie reminded us that January 19, 2019 was the women's march. She reminded us about the immigrants at the border (rapid response). Michele asks for volunteers. She informed us that on Saturday January 26, 2019 there would be a workshop on social justice. Sandy reminded us there was a city council meeting this coming Wednesday January 16, 2019. Felicia asked that everyone sign in and members be sure to pay their dues.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Submitted by Felicia House
Imperial Beach Democratic Club secretary