

February 7, 2019

General Meeting of the Imperial Beach Democratic Club

Location: Seaside Candy 150 Palm Avenue, Imperial Beach, CA 91932

Called to order at 6:17p.m. by Anna Webb-President with the Pledge of Allegiance

In Attendance:

Executive Board:

Anna Webb-President

Ernie Galindo-Vice President

Felicia House-Secretary

Ramon Hernandez-Treasurer

Josie Hamada-Member at Large

Members & Guest

Sandy Brillhart

Bryan Brillhart

Nora Vargas

Andrea Cardenas

Lynne Fischer

Patricia Flowers

Paula Hall

Michael Carey

Yvonne Vasquez

Robert Vasquez

Mary S. Doyle

Bart Bachman

Maria Bachman

Anne Pilgrim

Jane King

Michelle Krug

Ramon Espinil

Anna began by introducing herself and restating our vision. Before we started the agenda, Anna acknowledged Nora Vargas's presence. She stopped by to let us know she is running supervisor. Please refer to attached bio for her accomplishments or visit [www.noravargas.com](http://www.noravargas.com). Josie introduced Will Rodriguez-Kennedy, who is the youngest elected Chairperson for the Democratic Party in San Diego. He was elected January 29, 2019. He informed us of many things happening in the party, and enlightening us that the Roosevelt Dinner will be May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Officers introduced themselves and discussed what their part is in the club. We were informed that Ramon Espinil, for the 80<sup>th</sup> and Michelle Krug for the 78<sup>th</sup> won their bids for ADEMS in their respective districts. Finally, Kelvin Barrios, our newly elected South Bay Chairperson spoke about the direction we would be taking.

Old business: We moved on the agenda, beginning with Anna moving that we approve the agenda. It was so motioned and approved, and then Anna motioned that we approve the minutes it was seconded, and the minutes were approved. Anna brought up the vacant positions of Outreach VP and Communications Director. She informed us that if no one was interested in the positions, she would be appointing per the bylaws of our club. Martha was absent but her report on the state of membership was given by Anna who reported that she is working on recruiting more people. Ramon Hernandez told us we had 1029.28 in the bank as of February 6, 2019.

New business: Anna wants to create an adjunct committee to address the new districting. Bryan stated he wanted a council member at the meetings. Josie moved that we have an adjunct committee to work on the District Recruitment Strategy Committee. At this point in our meeting

Josie talked about districting that had taken place in Imperial Beach. In the 2020 election district's 2 and 4 will be up for election for City Councilperson. The motion was past to create an adjunct committee regarding the new districts.

We had announcements starting with Yvonne who announced that as a member of the Imperial Beach Lion's club she wanted us to know their first fund raiser is at Sea 180 and those who show up will be required to donate glasses. Michelle announced that the Jewish film festival started February 7, 2019 and the migrate shelter still needs volunteers. Anna announced the e-board meeting would be Baby cakes. Nora Vargas announced she will have her launch party tomorrow.

Anna motioned that we nominate Sandy Brillhart for Communications director. It was motioned by her and seconded. Josie volunteered to be our Outreach VP. This motion was made by Anna and seconded. Both were elected as our new Communications VP and Outreach VP, respectfully. Finally, Yvonne volunteered to be one of our members at large and Josie nominated Jane to our second member at large. Jane excepted, and both were elected as our new members at large. Good news! All of our positions are now filled.

Ernie talked about how to get involved in the club. He asks that we utilize the Facebook Page. He suggests that we discuss what we have learned about our candidates, and suggests we support Todd Gloria in his mayoral race. Border Angels is holding a fundraiser breakfast at Sherman Heights community center. Our open house will be February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Anna brought forth that we work with bylaws, and have business meetings six times a year, and have community events the other six times.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectively submitted by,  
Felicia House  
Imperial Beach Democratic Club, Secretary

# Nora Vargas

COUNTY SUPERVISOR

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A product of South Bay public schools, Nora has spent her life working to remove barriers for underserved communities through civic engagement, public policy, and community organizing. Nora's passion to serve is driven by her desire to improve people's lives in her community. She currently serves as the Vice President of Community and Government Relations at Planned Parenthood of the Pacific Southwest. At Planned Parenthood, Nora and her team work to increase access to safe, quality healthcare, and education for women and families across California.

Committed to community service, Nora has served on numerous boards and commissions, locally and across the state of California. She serves as a champion for Hispanas Organized for Political Equality (HOPE), a boardmember for the National Association of Latino Elected Officials (NALEO). Vargas was appointed and later elected to the Southwestern Community College District Governing Board, currently the only public institution of higher education within the South Bay, where she was recently elected Board Vice President by her peers.

In 2015, Governor Jerry Brown appointed her to serve on the 12-member California State Teachers Retirement System (CalSTRS) making her the first Latina to be appointed in the board's history. Ms Vargas serves as Vice Chair of the Board Governance Committee, and as a member of the Investment, Audit & Risk Management and Compensation Committees. There she is charged with securing the financial future of California's educators, providing retirement, disability and survivor benefits for California's 933,410 prekindergarten through community college educators and their families.

Nora is passionate about ensuring that marginalized voices are included in the public dialogue regarding important issues like health access, energy, technology, consumer protection, the environment, civic engagement, pensions and education. For over two decades Nora has worked to foster the next generation of young leaders by providing them the skills and resources they need to advocate for and build power in their communities.

For the last 25 years, Nora has worked to drive positive change and serve her community through public service. Nora has seen first hand that families all over the County are struggling to have their basic needs met, to pay their rent, pay for their medical expenses, and send their children to school. She is running for San Diego County Board of Supervisors in District 1, because she understands that together we can build healthier and stronger communities in San Diego County and help to ensure that government works for all of us!

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