



**IBDC Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, September 5, 2024 @ 6:00 pm at Millport and Via Zoom**

**Voting Members in attendance:**

Anna Webb (via zoom)  
Anne Pilgrim  
Antonio Martinez  
Ben Swearingen  
Bryan Brillhart (via zoom)  
Carol Tennebaum  
Donna Guapo  
Ernie Galindo  
Fred Guapo  
Jose Lopez  
Kris Galicia Brown  
Liba de la Mora (via zoom)  
Mary Doyle  
Michelle Krug  
Nadia Kean Ayub (via zoom)  
Paloma Aguirre  
Pat Flowers  
Paula Hall (via zoom)  
Peter Honan  
Sandy Brillhart (via zoom)  
Scott Stutzman  
Tom Csanadi (via zoom)  
Tarik Habib  
Win Heiskala

**Non-Voting Members and Guests:**

Nick Segura  
Ryan Trabuco

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:12 PM by Paloma.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted by Paloma.
3. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Kris, and seconded by Pat Flowers. The vote was unanimously approved.

4. Motion to approve the August 2024 minutes was made by Pat, and seconded by Michelle Krug. The vote was unanimously approved.
5. Endorsements: Paloma provided members and attendees with the rules of the club's endorsement process.
  - A. Imperial Beach City Council District 2 race: Ben Swearingin: Antonio made the motion to endorse and Anne Pilgrim seconded the motion. The club voted unanimously to endorse.
  - B. Southwestern College Governing Board, Seat 3 race: Nick Segura: Kris made the motion to endorse and Antonio seconded the motion. The club voted unanimously to endorse.
  - C. Otay Water District, Division 4 race: Jose Lopez: Antonio made the motion to endorse and Anne Pilgrim seconded the motion. The club voted unanimously to endorse.
6. IBDC Budget Report:
  - A. Anne announced that the Club currently has \$2,438.89 in the bank. She announced that IBDC has two new members.
  - B. Paloma announced that IBDC has the option to purchase food from Millport to offset the costs of renting the location. Ben committed to sending an email with the link to IBDC members to pay for each plate, which is \$15.
7. GO Team Update:
  - A. Pat announced that she has 10 volunteers set to help with the upcoming election. She also requested that anyone, who is interested in volunteering, to contact her. or Frank King, directly.
  - B. Pat announced that she is organizing the GO Team Kick-off on October 6th from 1-3 PM at Win's house.
8. Canvassing / Phone Banking Discussion:
  - A. Paloma requested volunteers to help IBDC's endorsed candidates.
    - a. Canvassing Volunteers: Paloma, Win, Tarik, Sandy, Mary, Carol, Kris, Nick, Anne, and Tom.
    - b. Phone Banking Volunteers: Anna, Paula, Win, and Pat.
  - B. Ben asked for IBDC members to individually report the Republican candidates that have signs without FPPC numbers.
9. Voter Registration Drives Discussion:
  - A. Win announced that she is organizing a voter drive on September 17th, Noon - 7 PM at the Imperial Beach Library.
  - B. Paloma announced that Marti is hosting another drive on September 18th at Mar Vista High School.
10. Announcements:
  - A. Nadia invited everyone to the 5th Annual Rainbow Ride on October 12th at Chula Vista Library on F Street and Dungeons and Dragons events at the IB Library.

- B. Michelle announced that Unite Here is striking and asked IBDC members to support them.
- C. Kris asked support for Southwestern College's proposed bond, which will be on the ballot this upcoming election.
- D. Anna asked how someone can obtain a Harris/Wolz sign.
- E. Paloma announced that an affordable senior housing project was pulled from consent at the last IB City Council meeting. While the motion passed, it was a difficult vote.
- F. Paloma announced that IB City Council passed a resolution for SANDAG to add a 1% fee to their port of entry agreement to create a specific fund which would be used for infrastructure and maintenance on the US side to deal with the sewage crisis.
- G. Paloma announced that IB City Council will be voting on a tenant protection ordinance at an upcoming meeting. She asked for IBDC members to attend the meeting to show support.
- H. Paloma announced that Assemblymember David Alvarez wrote a bill (AB 1472), which is currently on Governor Newsom's desk. This would impact Imperial Beach directly and asked for members to call the Governor to show support.

11. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM.