

Davis Democratic Club Board Minutes

June 3, 2025

President Stephen Souza called the meeting to order. Also in attendance were Eileen Samitz, Elizabeth Reay, Ameer Alsawa=, Rick Gonzales, Richard Yamagata, Gary Hopkins, Bob Bockwinkle, Lili Garza, Thomas Alvarez, Oliver Snow, and Jan Agee. The June agenda and the May minutes were approved.

Oliver reported that he attended the California Democratic Party Convention in Anaheim.

Ameer gave his Treasurer's report. The Club raised \$7938 at the Champagne Brunch. As of June 3, the Club has \$19,094.85, so it is in good shape financially.

The Board voted unanimously to give Carl Schmid emeritus member status in the Club.

Gary reported that the Club has 62 paid family unit memberships, which is 85 members. Several new members have joined, and he is updating the list. Rick will be calling members who have not paid their dues.

Although no one has stepped forward to be the newsletter editor, Richard reported that the new Editorial Board process for the newsletter and articles has worked out. Oliver will write an article about the Yolo County Democratic Central Committee for the next newsletter.

Seventy-five people attended the Club's Champagne Brunch, which was a good turnout. Next year's event will be at Holly Bishop's house, which has good handicap accessibility.

The next Club event will be the Democratic booth at the Yolo County Fair in August. In September, the Club will host its fall BBQ. The Progressive Business Exchange will acknowledge the Club's 75th anniversary with a cake at a September meeting.

Lili introduced the new Davis College Democrats (DCD) President, Thomas Alvarez. This is her last meeting, since she will be in Washington, D.C., for an internship in the fall. She reported that 26 DCD members attended the California Democratic Party convention. The DCD also helped at fundraisers for Kimberly Pope Adams and Jesse Salinas, as well as at the Davis Democratic Club brunch. Rick thanked the DCD members for helping with the set-up and take-down at the brunch.

Gary and Oliver reported that they have made good progress on updating the Club's website. In addition, Giles has been very active on Facebook, as has Richard on BlueSky and Twitter.

Kudos went to Thomas and Lili. Oliver also received kudos for his work on the website.

The next Club meeting is July 1. The meeting adjourned at 7:54pm.

