

Arizona Democratic Party
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, & Transgender Caucus
August 2009 Meeting Minutes

August 15, 2009
NAU Du Boise Center

Officers Present:

Paul Durham
Barbara McCullough-Jones
C.J. Carezza
Bob Bland

Executive Members Present

Sharon Thomas

Called to Order: Meeting was called to order at 11:40am

Introductions: Introductions of all those present at the time the meeting was called to order.

Treasurers / Fundraising Report

- As Treasurer, Bob asked for contributions from those present. Provided current Account Balance Information. Acknowledged that Devin is the chair

Committees Reports

- Chairs report:
 - Paul Durham presented an overview of what we have done over the past years activities, and referenced that 2010 represents the beginning of our 2nd phase
- Fundraising
 - Report made by Treasurer, Bob Bland. Asked for contributions from those present; provided current Account Balance Information. Acknowledged that Devin is the chair
- Membership
 - As of July 15, 2009 we are presently at 4 Officers, 4 Executive Members and 417 General members for a total of 425 members.
- Rules & Bylaws
 - Barb McCullough-Jones acknowledged that the R&B Committee has met, and now includes a new member Jeff Brown. Next meeting to be announced at a later time.
- Regional Advisory
 - No Report

General Business

- Upcoming Events
 - Brief synopsis or upcoming LGBT Events was discussed including Sedona, Tucson Pride, & Havasu Pride, along with Rainbows Festival.
 - We will be participating in Tucson Pride.
- Creation of a Political Action Committee (Bob Bland)
 - Is this something that the caucus would like to pursue? Is there someone with a lot money who could help make this functional -
 - Paul Went to Rick McGuire's training on PACs

- Recruiting PC's
 - Discussed ways the Caucus could help the numbers of PC's who are LGBT
 - Justin Unga provided information regarding the current PC numbers
- Scheduling of a Meeting outside Quarterly Meeting
 - Could not come up with a date and location that would work - Tabled
- Website Development
 - Paul D likes the simplicity of the front page. Believes the entry page might contain a message the could be changed weekly or monthly
 - Amanda Jackish suggested that the front page have the next event or the next location that the caucus will have a presence
 - Bob Bland believes that the Page should have links to other Democratic Party interests
 - Leonard Walker suggested links to Candidates that we support r who are LGBT friendly
 - Jeff Brown Suggested prominent placement of a link to Act Blue, and links to Partner organizations
 - Barb M-J suggested we may want to consider Log-in information

Candidate Presentations:

- The Following candidates made brief presentations (Listed in order of appearance)
 - Penny Kotteramn Superintendent of Public Instruction
 - Pat flickner LD 6 Statehouse (Current occupied by Sam Crump)
 - Katie Hobbs LD 15 Statehouse (Currently Lujan & Sinema)
 - Angela Cotera LD 12 Statehouse
 - Sam Wasinski Secretary of State

New Business / Announcements / Other Business

- Bobbie Parker Announced the formation of the "Arizona Stonewall Democrats" in Phoenix
- Bob Bland made formal presentation of a proposal for changes to the existing bylaws

Adjournment:

A Motion to adjourn was made by Bob B, and seconded by C.J. C. The motion was carried, and meeting was adjourned at 12:40.