DRAFT - Miami-Dade Democratic Executive Committee (DEC) Meeting

Thursday, October 12, 2017

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* Meeting was called to order by Chair Juan Cuba at 7:01 pm
* The pledge of allegiance was led by Juan Cuba.
* Moment of Silence
* Chair Juan Cuba gave the Chair’s Report at 7:03 pm
	+ Chair noted the success of the digital program that the DEC contributed to Annette Taddeo’s successful campaign for Florida Senate in Senate District 40
	+ DEC partnered with the Rivero brothers and Occupy Democrats to produce digital content
	+ DEC is looking to help elect Democrats in the Hialeah, Miami, Miami Beach, and Homestead elections
	+ The Blue Gala is poised to be a great success
	+ State Convention is October 27 and 28th
	+ Former County Commissioner Sorenson will be conducting a candidate training for the DEC
	+ Arthur Costa will be stepping down as treasurer
* Campaign Chair report at 7:16 pm
	+ DEC will be starting a new club in Little Havana
* Voter Registration Report at 7:19 pm
	+ Florida has launched an online voter registration portal – www.registertovoteflorida.gov
	+ We are looking for a way to help migrant Puerto Ricans fleeing the devastation of Hurricane Maria to vote
	+ The Miami Gardens Democratic Club has won the voter registration competition
* Executive Director Carlos Condarco recognized the candidates for elected office in the room
	+ Debbie Mucarsel-Powell, candidate for FL Congressional District 26 addressed the membership
	+ Rafael Velazquez, candidate for Miami Beach City Commission the membership
	+ Rafael Gomez, candidate for Hialeah City Council addressed the membership
* Quorum reached at 7:41 pm
* Motion to approve minutes of the last meeting
	+ Motion by Seth Sklarey
		- Seconded by Steve Dloogoff
	+ Motion passes unanimously at 7:52 pm
* Credentials Report given at 7:50pm
	+ Motion to approve recommended actions of the Credentials Committee by Marybeth Prusher \*\*SEE ATTACHED
		- Seconded by William Byatt
	+ Motion passes unanimously at 7:52pm
* Letter submitted to the Chair proffering a complaint against Rep. Joe Geller by Ernesto Medina at 7:55pm
* Issues Committee Chair report at 7:57pm
	+ Resolution for Assurances that President Donald Trump is Capable of Making Important Military and International Policy Decisions and is of Sound Mind at 7:59pm
		- Motion to approve by Marybeth Prusher
			* Seconded by Tiina Lombard
			* Discussion
		- Motion to table by Chairman Cuba
			* Seconded by Carlos Condarco
			* Motion passes
	+ Resolution to Support Local Democratic Candidates Campaigns made at 8:13pm
		- Motion by Ramon Guillen
			* Seconded by Angela Shylakov
			* Motion passes
	+ Motion to amend resolution by Seth Sklarey to back each candidate with $1000 contribution each
		- Seconded by William Byatt
			* Amendment defeated
		- Motion passes unanimously
	+ Motion to approve Resolution Denouncing Democrats Supporting Rep. Carlos Curbelo
		- Motion to approve by Cecilia Tavera-Webman
			* Seconded by William Byatt
			* Discussion open
				+ Friendly Amendment to remove Mayor Otis Wallace from the resolution is accepted
		- Motion by Evan Ross to strike text of entire resolution
			* Seconded by Carol Jackson
		- Question called by Linda Alger
			* Motion Defeated
		- Resolution passes at 8:30 pm
* Chairman Cuba reads the name so prospective delegates to the membership
	+ Motion accept delegates by Steve Dloogood
		- Seconded by Seth Sklarey
		- Motion passes unanimously at 8:31 pm
* Quorum questioned by Seth Sklarey at 8:35 pm
	+ Quroum list
* Motion to Adjourn by Carlos Condarco
	+ Seconded by Erika Grohoski Peralta
* Meeting Adjourned