

WEST FRESNO DEMOCRATIC CLUB

2-18-2017 Meeting Minutes

Location: Denny's Restaurant, Abby & Divisadero, Fresno, CA

Present: Mikki Addison, Richard Graham, Wonda, Davis, Larry Johnson, Barbara Pyle-Rodgers, Jim Rodgers, Esperanza Avalos, Michael Evans, Wanda Hemmitt, Elaine Guerro, Myrick Wilson, Dr. Kapoor.

9:10 Call to order.

Introduction of members and guests.

Agenda presented was approved.

January meeting was cancelled so that members could participate in demonstration. There are no January minutes.

President's Report (Mikki A): Reported her daughter is still deployed to Iraq.

Treasurer's Report (Carole L): Reminder re. membership renewal. \$255.27 balance in one account and \$219.86 balance in second account, for a total balance of \$475.13 (one statement not yet received and balance reported is approximate).

Guest Speaker: Dr. Kapoor. Dr. K is one of the founders of the Martin Luther King Day Committee. He spoke about his personal history and the history of the committee. There was much discussion and many questions about the workings of the Committee and the event.

Report and discussion of January 21 demonstration at Blackstone and Nees. The Women's March on Washington in protest of the newly installed US President. Elaine G. and Esperanza A. participated and reported.

Discussion of annual picnic tabled to next meeting.

Reported that we will again participate in the Chinese New Year event on March 4; we will walk in the parade and have an information booth.

Discussion of revising Club logo for new banner, website, and brochures. Myrick W. will be asked to help with this.

It was noted that (this) Denny's location (using a corner of the restaurant to meet) is an unsuitable meeting location. New locations will be scouted and the next meeting will be held at another location. Club meetings will continue as breakfast meeting, 9am to 10:30 am, 3rd Saturday of the month.

Discussion of other actions; it was reported that the last time Rep. Nunes met with his constituents was for an ACA Town Hall in 2009.

Announcements:

State Controller Betty Yee will be in Fresno on April 7, 4pm to 7pm, at the DelTaco at Blackstone and Barstow Aves.

Veterans Unsung Heroes at Maxie Parks Center, California & Elm Aves, this afternoon from 1pm to 4pm.

FCDWC annual DIA dinner is this evening, starting at 6pm, at Pardini's Restaurant.

Meeting adjourned 10:50 am

Meeting minutes submitted by:

Carole Laval, 2017 Treasurer