

**LAKE COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE**  
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**MINUTES**

**Meeting of December 4, 2014**

**Lakeport Senior Center Conference Room, 527 Konocti Ave. Lakeport CA**

**Call to Order/Roll Call**

Meeting was called to order at 6 pm by Chair Becky Curry. Roll Call was taken by the Chair as Secretary Quitiquit was absent. Holley Luia appointed acting Secretary.

**Voting Members Present:** District 1: R. Green; A. Rubin; District 2: S. Howland; W. Manners; District 3: J.Evans; J. Sheehy; District 4: M. Harris; T. Jordan; N. Strasser; District 5: B. Curry; H. Luia; Club Rep (LCDCC) P. Mune; Ex Officio Alternates: Swetnam (Garamendi)

**Voting Members Absent:** District 2: L. Baron (u); H. Riley (x) District 3:L. Rigod (x) W. Quitiquit (u); District 5; Esutoki (x)

**Alternate Members Present:** District 2 :D. Smith ( Manners)

**Associate Members Present:** J. Conard; R. East; C. Leskar; V. Cerenio; T. Harty

**Guests:** Larry Fabisch

**Approval of Agenda:** Agenda was amended to reflect that Member Conard is not a legislator's alternate at this time

**Approval of Oct 2, and Nov 6 , 2014 Minutes:** approved as submitted

**Public Comment:** none

**Committee Appointments:** Dave Smith has been appointed as Bill Manners' alternate for District 2.

Member Luia nominated Virginia Cerenio for the open seat in District 4. Appointment will take place at the January 8 meeting.

All voting members who represent a supervisorial district are encouraged to appoint alternates. The chair will distribute a list of associate members to supervisorial district members in their respective districts for possible recruiting.

**Legislator's Reports**

**Congress Member Mike Thompson** Chair Curry read highlights of the Congressman's monthly report. The full report is on the website, [www.lakecountymocrats.org](http://www.lakecountymocrats.org) . Thompson will be appointing a new alternate to this committee. The Chair will be making recommendations. Send names of people who may be interested to the Chair. The alternate must live in CD 5

**Congress Member John Garamendi** – Alternate Swetnam reported that the Congressman voted to in favor of the National Defense Authorization Act. Full report on the website as previously noted.

**Assembly Member Dodd** - An alternate has not yet been appointed. Member Conard has expressed interest in this seat.

**State Senator elect Mike McGuire:** An alternate has not yet been appointed. Member Harty has expressed interest in holding this position.  
Appointments will be made as soon as possible

### **Club Reports**

**Lake County Democratic Club:** Club representative Paula Mune reported. The Club met on Tuesday Nov. 11, 2014. The club's guest speaker was Anne Rubin, Lake County Planned Parenthood. The club donated \$500.00 to Planned Parenthood. Chair Esutoki announced the CDC workshop in Sacramento on January 24, 2015. It was noted that none of the local ballot measures and only one of the club's endorsed candidates succeeded on the November ballot. Club members voted to postpone the meeting start time question until the December meeting. Club will elect new officers at the December 9 2014 meeting. Supervisor Anthony Farrington will be the club's guest speaker on January 13, 2015.

**Stonewall Club:** No Report

### **Officer's Reports:**

**Chair:** Chair and Vice Chair attended the swearing in ceremonies for Senator Mike McGuire and Assembly Member Bill Dodd. Chair is in contact with the Chiefs of Staff of these members in regards to securing a constituent services field office in Lakeport. Attended CDP Executive Board in San Diego in mid November. Vice Chair Esutoki attended.

All reports regarding resolutions and rules adopted at Executive Board are on cadem.org website. Noted some progressive gains in the past election cycle despite widespread Democratic party losses. CDP Rural caucus is in contact with Secretary of State elect Alex Padilla regarding standardization of County election officers reporting guidelines for election results. CDP Rural caucus has also formed a regional task force formed to address the State of Jefferson issue in rural counties.

January DCC speaker regarding the implementation of Proposition 47 is in the works.

Chair distributed survey to members regarding action/spending priorities for the 2015-2016 election cycle.

Chair also noted that each active standing committee will be asked to arrange a face to face committee meeting early in 2015 after the survey results are reviewed.

Chair noted that committee membership fees are due by January 1. Dues are delinquent after January 31. Voting members whose dues are delinquent cannot vote. Dues are \$15.00 annually. Associate members who joined in the last quarter of 2014 are current with their dues through January of 2016.

**Vice Chair:** No Report due to absence for illness.

**Secretary:** No report

**Treasurer:** Treasurer Evans presented the draft 2015 budget. It was distributed with the meeting announcement via email a week before this meeting. Please look it over and note any changes necessary. The budget will be adopted at the January 8, 2015 meeting.

In November, the Committee 's balance on hand is \$4017.00 The year end balance after bills are paid will be \$808.00. Treasurer noted the need to increase revenues for the next election cycle. BBQ share to clubs is \$1504.22. Checks will be requested and distributed later this month.

**Elections:** The Committee will be rewriting the endorsement process for member approval in time for the Nov. 2015 elections. There are several school board elections in Nov. of 2015: North Shore (Upper Lake High; Upper Lake Elem; Lucerne Elem) Lakeport USD; Kelseyville USD.

**Finance:** Treasurer noted five new memberships and brings the committee's new member total to ten since July of 2014. Thanks again, to Member Luia for taking over the membership correspondence and roster upkeep.

**Issues:** Lead Chair Green reported that Issues Committee declined to follow up on sending a letter to President Obama regarding opposition to the continued bombing campaign in the Middle East.

**Voter Registration:** We did not have enough forms to qualify for a Bounty payment for the 2014 cycle. The forms turned in will be tallied towards the 2015-2016 cycle. The CDP program will start anew in 2015.

This committee needs to be active. Chair will be asking for a lead and members to volunteer. Chair noted that SB 29 just signed by the Governor now allows a voter to submit a ballot by mail on Election Day, so long as it is postmarked by that date. The state previously allowed registered voters to submit their ballots by mail, so long as the ballot was received by Election Day.

### **On Going Business**

**LCDCC Executive Board Officer Elections - 2015-2016 :** Will take place at the January 8, 2015 meeting. Requested volunteers for an ad hoc committee to recruit officers. No volunteers were forthcoming, so the chair will be contacting members.

**California Democratic Party Convention Delegates (DSCC):** Chair distributed information regarding different avenues for Democrats to become delegates to the California Democratic Party's State Convention. The convention will be held May 15-17 in Anaheim.

DSCC Delegates from the DCC will be elected at our January meeting. The DCC elects 6 delegates. Delegates will be responsible for their own dues/registration/travel & housing costs. Delegates are elected for two years.

Twelve delegates are also elected from each Assembly District. The Assembly District election calendar distributed. Assembly District delegate candidates can begin submitting their names as candidates via the Cadem.org website. Assembly District delegate elections will be held either Saturday or Sunday Jan 11/12 2014. Dates and locations TBA.

Region 2 Director Craig Cheslog will convene the Assembly District Delegate elections. Delegates are also selected by legislators (Members of Congress; Assembly; State Senate) DCC Chair will recommend that Legislators alternates to this committee be appointed as delegates.

**New Business:**

**Member Survey for 2015-2016 Election Cycle:** Distributed to members. Return via post or email in time for the January 8, 2015 meeting.

Committee will hold a strategic planning workshop summer of 2015.

**Announcements:**

KPFZ – Member Green announced his guest on Dec. 6 will be Sheriff elect Brian Martin. Airs at 10am Saturdays KPFZ 88.1. Repeated at 10am Mondays.

Member M. Harris, expressed concern regarding the handling of bidding of BBQ Silent Auction donations. Member Mune noted that volunteer Auction coordinator and associate member Celesta Deter has established the practice of not showing a starting bid on the bid forms.

Member Harris is on the Finance Committee, and will have input into the 2015 BBQ planning, this issue can be addressed and possibly modified. Treasurer Evans noted that the BBQ Silent Auction raised \$1090 this year, the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest recorded.

Member Mune expressed displeasure with the new meeting location and the distracting noise from the Bingo game being held in the larger Senior Center room adjoining the Conference room. She suggested changing the meeting day to another one. No action taken.

Member Mune then announced that she would like to relinquish her duties as the voting representative to the Committee of the Lake Democratic Club.

Club Chair Adckinjo will need to address that appointment at an upcoming club meeting.

**Next meeting Thursday January 8, 2015 @ 6:30 p.m. at the Lower Lake Methodist Church Community Hall.**

**Adjourned 7:55pm**

Minutes recorded by Acting Secretary Holley Luia

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Rebecca L. Curry, Chair