

**Bexar County Democratic Party
County Executive Committee Minutes
Tuesday, May 17, 2011, 6:30 p.m.
Luby's Cafeteria (911 N. Main Ave.)**

I. Determination of Quorum

- A. Secretary Nancy Froment (3175) announced a quorum of 101 was present at the time the meeting was called to order.

II. Call to Order

- A. Ms. Froment called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.
B. She introduced Mr. Ian Straus, Deputy Chair Precinct 4, and announced him as Temporary Chair for the meeting.

III. Opening Ceremonies

- A. Mr. Straus led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance
B. A moment of silence was observed for our military and for fellow Democrats who have passed.
C. Mr. Straus recognized those elected officials present; Judge Ron Rangel and Mr. Michael Soto.

IV. Approval of Agenda

- A. There was a motion and second to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried.

V. Election of County Chair

- A. Mr. Straus announced the procedure to be followed for the election. Karl am Rhein (4050) moved we vote by a show of hands instead of roll call. There was a second. D'mitri Kosub (3044) spoke against the motion stressing a roll call vote would be better in the event the election is challenged. Mr. am Rhein withdrew his motion.
B. The nominations were opened. Gerald Flores (3041) nominated Choco Meza. Gerald Haley (3050) nominated Shane Mitchell. The nominations ceased.
C. Both candidates were given 5 minutes to speak in the order of nomination. Ms. Meza spoke first, followed by Mr. Mitchell. At the end of Mr. Mitchell's speech he withdrew his nomination in favor of Ms. Meza.
D. A question and answer period with the candidates took place.
E. Mr. Straus announced that due to Mr. Mitchell's withdrawal the vote will be taken with a yes or no vote. Yes is for Ms. Meza to be elected as Bexar County Democratic Party Chair and no is against her election. The roll call vote was taken.
F. The results were 106 yes votes and 2 abstain. Ms. Meza was announced as the new Bexar County Democratic Party Chair through the end of the current term..
G. Mr. Straus relinquished the chair to Ms. Meza.

VI. Election of New Precinct Chairs

- A. Mark Camann (2140) announced the procedure for the election of new chairs. First he introduced Mr. Jaime Martinez a candidate who asked to speak to the meeting concerning his eligibility as precinct chair. Mr. Martinez stressed the fact that he has always been a Democrat and has never voted Republican. There was discussion to elect Mr. Martinez. Bob Bretz (3063) called for the question. That motion carried and the vote to admit Mr. Martinez as Precinct Chair carried unanimously.
B. The procedure continued and 7 additional Precinct Chairs were elected bringing the total admitted to 8.
C. Ms. Meza delivered the oath of office to the 8 new Precinct Chairs.

VII. Announcements

- A. Mr. Straus announced the next Rules Committee meeting will be this Wednesday, May 18, 2011.
B. The next CEC meeting will be Tuesday, June 7, 2011, location to be determined.

VIII. Adjourn

- A. With no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Submitted:

Nancy T. Froment
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