GRAY PANTHERS SANTA BARBARA NETWORK

MINUTES, JULY 29, 2022

HOME OF JANET WOLF

IN ATTENDANCE:

Gail Marshall, Janet Wolf, Richard Solomon, David Landecker, Carol Keator,

Sandy Kievman, Suzanne Peck, Richard Applebaum, Martin Blum, David LeBell

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Susan Rose, Ron Alexander, Jo Black, Jan Keller

MINUTES::

Unanimously accepted as submitted

TREASURERS REPORT:

We have $4,265.66 on hand.

Nancy Avoce will itemize hours in future.

Reminder: Please go through Carol Keator with any work you have for Nancy as she is Nancy’s liaison.

MEMBERSHIP:

No report

PROGRAM:

Janet would like to work with others to create programing without being in charge. Ideas floated for future programming were: Advanced Directives -contacting Camille Hunter and Jeanne West, Climate Crisis in partnership with another organization such as Fearless Grandmothers and/or professors from UCSB – how does Biden’s bill help? Third Act (Rich will explore)

LEGISLATIVE AND ADVOCACY:

Fall election stuff - Questions on the table were: only support candidates who are willing to support a bill to expand the Supreme Court – discussion did not produce enough support from board.

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Legislative and Advocacy (cont’d)

Shall we minimize the process for Salud Carbajal since he has a track record we can support? Decided we need to reach out to Salud’s competition, Brad Allen.

Richard Solomon and David Landecker volunteered to be the interview committee. Each board member needs to submit a question for the interviews.

Carol Keator will assist this committee. We will do a print ad in the SB Independent, in early September, for the candidates we support. Additionally, we will offer a contribution of $250 to Gregg Hart (Motion by Janet/Carol – passed unanimously.) Contribution to Salud tabled till next meeting.

Brief discussion of Prop 29 – look closer for next month discussion. We should refer our members to the League of Women Voters ballot information on our website.

NANCY AVOCE REPORT:

Nancy working with Richard to delete his GPSN Facebook page. She has posted a new page and offered suggestions of how to keep it popping up – we have had 28 engagements on the new page -she will link our Facebook page on our website.

Our members need to “Share” the page so it spreads more widely. She noted ways to boost our Facebook image. We also need to “Friend” other orgs.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Need to partner with other likeminded organizations – ex. Fearless Grandmothers. Explore posting each others events, etc.

LIAISON REPORTS:

David reported on the Environmental Coalition – oil platforms are really on their way out of Santa Barbara County. Three different oil processing companies are leaving the North County prompting more discussion of trucking as a means to move the oil through the County.

Carol wondered if the removal of trees on Modoc Road would come to the EDC’s attention.

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Liaison Reports:

Gail reported on the Aging & Adult Network and their efforts to get letters supporting senior housing needs to appropriate planning agencies working on their Housing Elements. This is an urgent item – Gail will work with Nancy to get letters to at least 3 agencies in South County supporting ways to increase the numbers of housing available to seniors.

Next Meeting is Augusts 26, 2022 at Gail’s Home.

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