

**Progressive Democrats of Benicia (PDB)
Membership Meeting**

November 27, 2017

Committee attendees: Jack Kolk, June Mejia, Maggie Kolk, Ralph Dennis, Craig Snider, Phyllis Dubois, Lisa Reinertson, Steve Young, Roger Straw, Stephen Austin Welch

Meeting called to order: 7:13 pm

Ralph Dennis called the meeting to order.

Quorum – met.

Membership: Not reported

Treasurer's Report: \$875 in the bank less \$100 for Benicia ISO meeting - \$775 total.

Meeting Minutes: Will be sent to all members – Minutes from previous two meetings and this meeting will be sent out by the chair/secretary to the membership for review.

Announcements: Crab Feed in Suisun City on January 6, 2017 fundraiser for the Central Committee.

Esteemed attendees: Christina Strawbridge former City Council member, has declared candidacy for 2018 election; Steve Young, Vice Mayor of Benicia.

Steve Young: Next council meeting on December 5 will address cannabis – please attend if you want to comment on this issue.

Patrice Williams – shared thoughts about Insurance Commissioner, Dave Jones and why she supports him for AG.

Fact Sheets on Dave Jones were available for all attendees.

CA Attorney General candidate was introduced by Ralph Dennis.

Speaker Dave Jones: addressed the work he is doing on as Insurance Commissioner and described the Insurance Commissioner's office and its responsibilities and oversight.

Described his vision for the role of Attorney General.

- Address restorative justice in the criminal justice systems, consumer protection, competitive markets, etc.
- Work with communities of color to identify needs of these communities to address the criminal justice system.
- Supports net neutrality.
- Oil discussion initiated by Roger Straw – re CA Environmental Quality Act.
- Provide latitude to provide housing in the State.

Dave concluded with collecting endorsement cards from attendees and thanking PDB for having him.

A motion was made to suspend the remaining items on the agenda. An attendee seconded the motion.

Adjourn: 8:13pm

Next Meeting: January 6 – Dona Benicia Room, Benicia Library

Submitted by: Maggie Kolk 11/27/17

