

BEXAR COUNTY **COUNTY** **DEMOCRATIC PARTY** **register • volunteer • vote**

County Executive Committee Agenda
Tuesday, April 10, 2018

- I. Welcome
- II. Call to Order
- III. Opening Ceremonies (Pledge of Allegiance, Moment of Silence, Recognize Guests)
- IV. Approval of the Agenda – April 2018
- V. Approval of the Minutes – March 2017
- VI. Executive Reports
 - a. Chairman, Manuel Medina
 - b. Treasurer, Marquis C. Williams
 - c. Secretary, Garrett Mormando
- VII. Committee Reports
 - a. Primary Election Committee (Canvass, Debates, Run-off)
 - b. Campaign Committee (Senatorial Conventions, State Convention)
 - c. Elections & Voter Integrity Committee
 - d. Budget & Finance Committee
 - e. Precinct Chair & Recruitment Committee
 - f. Veterans Committee
 - g. Communications Committee
 - h. Fundraising Committee
 - i. Rules Committee
- VIII. Unfinished Business
- IX. New Business
- X. Announcements

Meeting called to order at 6:45pm - Chairman Manuel Medina welcomes and leads pledge of allegiance, and moment of silence. The Chair welcomes candidates Paul Elizondo, Rebecca Martinez, Melissa Vara. Chairman welcome's Chair-elect Monica Alcantara. Chairman Medina announces formation of informal "transition" team and advocates for all Democratic candidates. Runoff candidates are announced including Precinct 2 candidates Paul Elizondo and Queta Rodriguez who address the CEC as well as Bexar County Court #1 candidates Tony Jimenez Helen Petre Stowe. Texas Congressional District 23 candidate Gina Ortiz Jones is welcomed as well as Veronica Vasquez, Mary Lou Alvarez, Grace Uzumba, Justice Rebecca Martinez who announces March 22 birthday party, Melissa Vara, Lucy Adame-Clark.

State Rep. Diana Arevalo addresses CEC.

Motion to approve agenda unanimously approved. January 18 minutes approved. Executive report given by Chairman Medina. Three Senatorial conventions on March 24th discussed, updates on SD #19 by Xochi Rodriguez at Mccullum high school, SD #25 by Ian Strauss at Tool Yard, and SD #26 at Frank Garrett Center. Jacob Wong or Alamo College District 6 addresses the CEC. Chairman Medina addresses the importance of running candidates on all levels.

Treasurer's report given by Marquis Williams—see written report for details. Breakdown. Secretary report - none. Chairman Manuel proposes runoff debates, CEC votes yes for District 21, 23 and Gubernatorial. Campaign Committee report given by Ian Strauss. Motion to approve committees for senatorial committees made and approved by CEC to be decided at end of the meeting.

Election and Voter Integrity report - none.

Rick Trevino is acknowledged and addresses the CEC for candidacy for TX23. Chairman Medina proposes Motion to address unjust judgment to San Antonio District Attorney concerning the murder of Kenne McFadden.

Budget and Finance Committee report given by Marquis Williams — see written report.

Precinct Chair committee report given by Steve Price, Siri. Steve Price — Motion made to create a committee to be formed to assist and develop resolutions — motion approved. Siri announces precinct training March 15th at HQ.

Veterans Committee - no report
Communications Committee - no report
Fundraising Committee - no report
Rules Committee - no report
No unfinished business.

Announcements: Gabrien Gregory BCYD announces Dems Unite Gala April 15th - keynote Beto O'Rork 6:30pm, Joan Riviera Simoncelli announces Bexar County LGBTQIA Democratic Caucus meeting on March 18th at 3pm, Sylvia Don announces March 24th Cesar Chavez march at Brazos and Guadalupe St., Lourdes Galvan announces Cesar Chavez commemorative wreath laying ceremony on March 18th 2pm.

Meeting was adjourned 8:30pm.



Bexar County Democratic Party

Bexar Force One

April 2018 Newsletter



Events & Committee Mtgs

Monthly Volunteer Deputy Voter Registrar Classes; 2nd Tuesday of the Month; Bexar Elections Warehouse, 1103 S. Frio St. 10:00 am OR 6:00 pm, Call (210) 335-6625 to reserve a spot

Tues, Apr. 10; BCDP CEC Mtg; Luby's, 911 N. Main, 6:30 pm

Thurs, Apr. 12; Mission Dems Monthly Mtg; 6:30 pm; Presa Comm. Ctr., 3721 S. Presa

Sat, Apr. 14; NEBCD Monthly Mtg; 10:00 am; SA Northeast Service Center, 10303 Tool Yard

Sat, Apr. 14; Providence Legacy Gala; 6:00 pm - midnight; Pedrotti's North Wind Ranch, 103715 FM 1560 N., Helotes

Sun, Apr 15; BETO! BCYD Fundraiser; 6:00-10:00 pm; Hemisfair Park; more info pg2

Mon, Apr. 16; Stonewall Dems Monthly Mtg; 6:30 pm; Picante Grill Meeting Room, 3810 Broadway

Tues, Apr. 17; Campaign Committee Mtg; 6:00 pm; BCDP HQ, 3000 IH-10

Tues, Apr. 17; Communications Committee Mtg; 6:30 pm; BCDP HQ, 3000 IH-10

Thurs, Apr. 19; Precinct Chair Training; 6:30 pm; BCDP HQ, 3000 IH-10

Thurs, Apr. 19; BCDP Rules Committee Mtg; 6:30 pm; BCDP HQ, 3000 IH-10

Sat, Apr. 21; Northwest Dems Monthly Mtg; 8:30 am; Lunny's, 9251 Floyd Curl

Tues, May 1; BCDP Steering Committee; 6:30 pm; BCDP HQ, 3000 IH-10

Tues, May 1; Precinct Chair Recruitment & Training Committee; 6:30 pm; BCDP HQ, 3000 IH-10

TURN TEXAS BLUE, HD 13 SPECIAL ELECTION

Texas Democratic Party Chairman Gilberto Hinojosa has issued a statewide call to elect Cecil Webster in Texas House District 13. Cecil is a retired Army Colonel, a farmer, a Deacon at his local church, and a proud Texas Democrat. He needs our help to win on May 5th.

House District 13 is a solid red district in rural East Texas; but this year, Chairman Hinojosa is rallying Democrats from across the state to make this seat competitive. Bexar Democrats are ready to answer the call and will organize virtual phone banks to help elect Cecil. Please contact Stephanie Carrillo to volunteer and to help grow the blue wave in Texas.



We have all paid close attention to special elections across the country and witnessed how Democrats transformed "ruby red" legislative seats into competitive swing districts. Well, now it's our turn in Texas.

BEXAR COUNTY LOCAL ELECTIONS, MAY 5

Locally, our May 5th ballot consists of non-partisan municipal elections (Alamo Heights, Balcones Heights, Castle Hills, Elmendorf, Fair Oaks Ranch, Grey Forrest, Helotes, Hollywood Park, Kirby, Leon Valley, Olmos Park, and Shavano Park, Somerset, Terrel Hills, Universal City, and Windcrest), and Northside ISD bond election, Bexar County Emergency Services District 10 tax proposition, San Antonio Municipal Authority directors, and elections to fill four seats on the Alamo Community College District. Please visit the Bexar County Elections Website for a complete list of candidates and elections.

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY RUN-OFF ELECTIONS, MAY 22

The official canvass from the March primary election has been completed and the results delivered to the Texas Secretary of State. In several races, we will have a run-off election: Congressional District 21 (Mary Street Wilson and Joseph Kopsler); Congressional District 23 (Gina Ortiz Jones and Rick Trevino); Texas Governor (Lupe Valdez and Andrew White); Bexar County Court-at-Law No.1 (Tony Jimenez and Helen Pety Stowe); and Bexar County Commissioner Precinct 2 (Paul Elizondo and Queta Rodriguez).

STATE CONVENTION, JUNE 22

Thank you Xochitl Rodriguez, Ian Straus, Rose Marie De Hoyos, and Gabriel Rosales for organizing successful senate conventions. Bexar Democrats met last month at senate conventions to discuss party platform, pass resolutions, and elect delegates to the state convention. The next step is to organize our local delegations, so we can have a major presence at the state convention in Fort Worth. If you are interested in attending the state convention, please contact your delegation chair (SD 19 Xochitl Rodriguez; SD 25 Ian Straus; and SD 26 Rose Marie DeHoyos).

2018 GENERAL ELECTION "BLUE MOMENTUM"

Congratulations, Bexar Dems!!! There are now 1,073,655 registered voters in Bexar County. To surpass our goal of 1.1 million, we need you to become a deputy voter registrar and help us register people to vote. Please contact the BCDP headquarters to become a deputy registrar, or to volunteer as a precinct chair, neighborhood coordinator or election judge.

Go Blue ALWAYS,

Manuel Medina

BCDP Chairman

Become a Deputy Voter Registrar!!

Registering voters is a critical task in our fight to turn Texas blue. Do your part and become a Deputy Voter Registrar. Classes will be held on the following Tuesdays- Apr. 10 & May 8 at 1103 S. Frio St. at 10:00 am and 6:00 pm. The class will take less than an hour, so **DO IT!**

You must call to reserve your spot: (210) 335-6625.

Candidate Forum - 2018 Democratic Primary Runoffs - May 22

The public is invited to learn more about the candidates in the Democratic Primary Runoff Election at a candidate forum Saturday, April 14, at the Northeast Bexar County Democrats monthly meeting. All 10 candidates have been invited.

Meeting and presentation by IndivisibleTX21 starts at 10:00 a.m.

Candidate Forum starts at 11:00 a.m.

Location: City of San Antonio Northeast Service Center Assembly Room, 10303 Tool Yard, 78233

Democratic Candidates in the runoff election are:

US Representative, District 21:

Joseph Kopser
Mary Street Wilson

US Representative, District 23:

Gina Ortiz Jones
Rick Treviño

Governor:

Lupe Valdez
Andrew White

Judge, County Court at Law # 1:

Tony Jimenez III
Helen Petry Stowe

County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2:

Paul Elizondo
Queta Rodriguez

BETO!



Sunday, April 15,

Annual **Dems Unite** fundraiser benefiting **Bexar County Young Democrats**

Hemisfair Park, 6:00-10:00 pm

Beto O'Rourke scheduled to speak at 6:30 pm

\$50 individual tickets/2 for \$75

If someone cannot afford a ticket, please call Gabrien Gregory (210) 563-2772

Save The Date for a 'Veteran Affairs' Event

Memorial Day Holiday, Monday, 28 May, 2018

At San Antonio TX American Legion Fred Brock Post 828!

Back Yard BBQ! Fun & Games!

Details about the ENTERTAINMENT are to be announced. Look for update in the May BCDP newsletter and posting on the BCDP website calendar. Thank Veterans and theirs for sharing Memorial Day with us!

Submitted by Evelyn Mooring-Howard ,BCDP Veteran Affairs Committee Chair

Property Tax Forum 2018

All residents are invited to attend the Property Tax Forum where they will hear from experts concerning available exemptions and items needed to prepare for a protest. Resource agencies from Bexar County will also be available. *The deadline for property owner protest is now May 15. This is an opportunity to ask questions and get answers about your property taxes. Senator José Menéndez, Representative Diego Bernal, and Councilman Roberto Treviño will also address the increase in property taxes and discuss their policy solutions.

Saturday, April 14, 2018 10:30am – 12:45pm (Registration @ 9:30am)
San Antonio College. Nursing and Allied Health Complex, Room 218
1819 N Main Ave, San Antonio, TX 78212

From Senator Menendez April Newsletter and Upcoming Events

Election Information

<https://www.bexar.org2231/Who-represents-me-Search>

Democratic Party Resolutions

On March 24 the Democratic Senatorial Conventions were held in San Antonio for districts 19, 21, 25, and 26, where 35 resolutions were submitted, discussed, and voted upon. Those that were approved advance to the State Democratic Convention in June for further discussion, modification, and another vote by the state delegates. Approved resolutions become the State Democratic Party Platform and also advance to the national level.

The resolutions addressed issues including education, health, law enforcement, punishment for crimes, environment, protection of equal rights, technology, military, pensions, wages, state funding, international trade, immigration, veterans, TDP Rules changes.

There were also 12 resolutions on the Democratic Primary ballot that passed with a 96% approval rate.

