

**LAKE HIGHLANDS/WHITE ROCK DEMOCRATS
GENERAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 19, 2022**

The February meeting of the Lake Highlands/White Rock Democrats was held on February 19, 2022 at White Rock United Methodist Church and via Zoom. Due to illness of President Dale McEowen, Vice President Brian Hasenbauer led the meeting. Brian convened the meeting at 10:10 a.m. by welcoming all participants. He then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The first order of business was hearing from candidates present:

Henry Curry, candidate for Dallas County Constable Precinct 3
Kendall Scudder, candidate for Texas House Representative District 114
Amye Thompson Hollins, candidate for Dallas County District Clerk

PROGRAM:

Brian introduced speaker Dallas County District Attorney John Creuzot. Mr. Creuzot is running for re-election, but today spoke to the club about his background and the status of crime and criminal justice reform, then opened a question/answer session. Brian thanked Mr. Creuzot for the very informative discussion, then opened the business portion of the meeting.

BUSINESS MEETING

OLD BUSINESS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Brian Hasenbauer on behalf of Dale McEowen)

The club mailed 5200 endorsement post cards to the precincts of the club, arriving approximately February 7, in time for early voting. Because this process is expensive, Brian asked for donations.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Brian Hasenbauer)

March 26 – LHWR monthly meeting

The Senate District Meeting will be Saturday, March 19, so the club's meeting is deferred to the following Saturday, March 26, 2022.

Speakers will be the three candidates running for Richardson ISD School Board single-member District 5: Kile Brown, Rachel McGowan, and Jan Stell.

April 16 - Because Earth Day is Friday, April 22, Brian asked for Al Ortiz's assistance in finding a topical speaker.

May 7 - Democratic primary runoff
RISD School Board election, with early voting April 25 – May 3

May 21 - LHWR Democrats annual picnic,
Moved to Lake Highlands North Recreation Center due to Flagpole Hill renovation.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Due to Tim Sexton being on a camping/hunting trip, there is no Treasurer's report.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT (Judy Garrett)

Judy reported that we now have 250 members! Fred Meyers and Freddie Ortiz joined today.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Rhonda Green and Debbie Overby)

Copies of the December and January minutes were on members' chairs. December minutes were approved and seconded. January minutes were approved and seconded. Brian will post both of those on the website as official minutes. Copies of the January Board minutes were also available, but those are approved by the board at the next board meeting.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE (Joan Covici)

No news other than to suggest that those interested in sending Dale a card may do so.

NEW BUSINESS

CHANGES TO BY-LAWS

Tim Sexton's copies of the proposed changes to the club by-laws were on members' chairs. Changes were first introduced at the January meeting. Brian reviewed them. The changes were approved and seconded and will be posted to the website.

WHITE ROCK LAKE CLEANUP

Debbie Overby recognized and thanked long-time Love of the Lake Committee Chair Al Ortiz. Al has resigned and a new coordinator is needed. Debbie passed around a copy of the lake and an enlargement of the LHWR section (from the Bath House Cultural Center to Dreyfuss Point). She explained that the Committee Chair's duties include meeting participants on the 2nd Saturday of the month at the section, providing grabbers, trash bags, gloves, and donuts. Debbie has procured the assistance of Cub Scout Pack 890.

Brian mentioned again the two new open roles:

Communications Vice President - in charge of club publications including social media postings, website content and maintenance

Activities Vice President - in charge of the annual picnic, October chili fundraiser/supper, and happy hours

Members interested in any of the 3 roles

Communications Vice President

Activities Vice President

Love of the Lake Committee Chair

should contact Brian or another board member.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 12:03 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Debbie Overby, Secretary