



March 8, 2019

Membership Meeting Minutes

Welcome/Organizational Items:

- Maggie Kolk called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The focus of the meeting was a celebration of International Women's Day with a forum entitled: 2020 Women Stepping in Benicia.
- Quorum – met
- Treasurer's Report: Beginning balance: \$1230.94; City of Benicia insurance library room rental - \$189; ending balance - \$1,041.94 Membership fees are due now - \$20/annually.
- Membership numbers:
- Minutes: Were not reviewed.
- Treasurer/Membership: Kathy Kerridge had a table set up with PDB and membership recruitment information. Dues were also collected.

Venue: Arts Benicia Gallery

Format: Open to the public. Appetizers and drinks (wine and water) which were contributed by Steering Committee Members were served. Members Larnie and Bodil Fox served as bartenders. Donations (totaling approximately \$130) were collected at the bar.

Introduction: Mayor Elizabeth Patterson

Moderator: Kari Birdseye

Panel Members:

Betty Yee – CA State Controller

Susannah Delano – Executive Director, Close the Gap, CA

Linda Escalante – Activist for the National Resource Defense Council

Cora Young, Legislative Field Representative for Congressman Mike Thompson

Presentations were followed by a question and answer period. Panel members were presented with flowers.

Attendance: Approximately 103 attendees.

Announcements/Events:

- **March 18, 2019** – Town Hall Meeting featuring Congressman Mike Thompson at the Benicia Senior Center, 7:00 pm.
- Adjourned: 8:45pm
- Submitted by: Maggie Kolk, Secretary

