

LD8 Minutes
District Meeting August 8, 2023

6:35 pm – Meeting commences

6:37 – Native American Land Acknowledgment read

6:40 – Neil Miller voted by acclamation to office of Secretary for LD8 District Executive Committee.

6:46 – LD8 Bylaws update presented by Bylaw Committee Chair, Neil Miller

6:51 – Treasurer’s report presented by Treasurer Richard Newhauser

6:55 - Chair’s Report by Steven Jackson, Interim Chair

- Acknowledged problems with relationship with Maricopa County Democratic Party (MCDP), but emphasized need to move forward and do the work of electing Democrats
- Get out the Vote effort underway in LD8
- Work on new LD8 website is underway
- Working on procuring permanent meeting location for in-person meetings at the North Tempe Multi-Generational Center
- Stressed the need to have all changes and preparation in place to begin working on getting Democrats elected in October

7:00 Ruben Gallego presentation

- He declares he has a pro-family, pro-worker agenda
- He says he has been pushing for an increase in the minimum wage
- He supports prescription drug benefits
- He says he will fight for working class people rather than hedge fund managers
- He has received more than 100,000 individual donations
- He supports child tax credits
- He wants to assist first-time homeowners to purchase houses
- Questions from audience taken

7:39 Congressional candidates make campaign statements

- CD1 Candidates
 - Marlene Galan Woods
 - Connor O’Callahan
- CD3 Candidate Raquel Teran

7:58 Final comments and information delivered by Interim Chair Steven Jackson

- LD8 Fundraiser selling LD8 t-shirts for \$25.00 announced
- Optimists Resist events led by Peggy Kline
 - o 8/17/23 – Will be doing postcard writing event sending postcards to voters not on PEVL
 - o Monthly meeting on August 13, 2023
 - o Email address is: optimistsresist@gmail.com
- Next month's LD District meeting will hopefully be an in-person meeting

8:00 Meeting adjourned