

LD 28 meeting
Tuesday May 12, 2015
Madison School

7:07pm

Pledge: Bonnie Reyes

Invocation: Bill Cheatham

Treasurers report: Frank Rivera

\$1156.31 beginning balance
-\$14.00 banking fees
\$1142.31 ending balance

LD28 sponsored 2 tables at the TARS dinner raising \$416 for the Young Republican's, 50% dinner charge covered by LD28 & the remainder paid by generous LD 28 members

Condolences to Betsy Bayless on the loss of her mother.

Rep Kate Brophy McGee: Legislative report:

Rep McGee continues her work regarding DCS (Dept. of Child Services)

Important updates were made in the language to provide transparency with the disclosure of all child fatalities

Additionally, changing the wording from "and" to "or" to close the loophole to include all person's living in the household that has contact with a child

Also, providing more shields & protection for victim's especially in smaller communities in rural areas

Longtime PC Matt Morales announced his candidacy for State Representative in LD 28. His goal if elected: efficient government

Mike Noble spoke in opposition to Prop 104, the \$30 billion transit tax on the ballot in August He states the cost of building & operation would be \$161 million per mile with only 20% of that recovered in fees charged to public

Featured speakers:

Councilman Bill Gates:

He is up for re election in Council District 3

He spoke regarding his votes for fiscal responsibility including a vote against the food tax, which has now expired

He voted against water rate increases and still retained the City's good bond rating

He rejected a \$16 million pedestrian bridge across 19th Ave and found a better solution to traffic slowing at Cactus & Shea by proposing 'speed cushions' for \$2800. instead of a 1 million proposal to solve the problem

He also spoke about the revitalization of 32nd St & Shea including Alice Cooper's Solid Rock School for teens & a breakfast spot among other retail outlets

State Senator Kelli Ward:

Chair of Education in State Senate, spoke against Common Core & spoke of her support of 2nd Amendment & 10th Amendments

Q & A from audience included her position on taxation, she supports a fair tax

Asked if she would support any gun safety measures she states she is against any such legislation

On health care: supports HSA's and catastrophic health insurance but not Obamacare type system, AZ should watch other states that legalized marijuana to see how they progress & learn from it, believes in State's rights

And she would rein in the NSA

On border security: AZ should enforce existing laws, no amnesty & US should help impoverished areas to help themselves first,

The question: Is she running for U S Senate against U S Sen John McCain? She stated, "It's time for a change."

Notables in attendance:

Betsy Bayless, Sen Adam Driggs, Mary Hamway, Helen Purcell, and Ben Quayle

NEXT MONTH'S SPEAKER: Congressman David Schweikert

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm