

Pebble Creek Democratic Club
General Meeting Minutes 1/7/2026

Meeting was called to order by President Barber at 6:45p.m.

Vice President Jim Sheard let the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Barber spoke to those in attendance about the Club's Purpose (on the slide).

The following guests were introduced at the meeting by President Barber:

- Mayor Joe Pizzillo
- City Council Member: Benita Beckles
- City Council Candidates: Sheri Lauritano and Jason Kiss
- LD 29: Lynn Peters
- LD 23: Deb Sawyer
- LD 29 Senate Candidate: Eric Stafford
- LD 29 House Candidate: Christine Scianna
- Goodyear FD: Marc Holstein

President Barber asked all new members of the Club to rise and be recognized.

She then asked Vice President Sheard to preside over the election of the Board for the 2026 calendar year.

Results of the election and newly constituted Board members and positions are:

- President: Vicki Barber, Motion for Acclamation made by Alisa Moore; seconded by Jerry McMahon, motion approved by voice vote
- Vice President: John Moore, Motion for Acclamation made by Kirk Brown; seconded by Barbara McMahon, motion approved by voice vote
- Treasurer: Tammy Dana-Bashian, Motion for Acclamation made by Marsha Wallick; seconded by Vicki Barber, motion approved by voice vote
- For Secretary: Alisa Moore, Motion for Acclamation made by Kathy Sheard, seconded by Patti McEnerney, motion approved by voice vote
- Member at Large: Barbara McMahon, Motion for Acclamation – Vicki Barber; Second to the Motion: Tammy Dana-Bashian, motion approved by voice vote

The new Board were introduced to the attendees as a group by President Barber.

She also:

- Thanked Jim Sheard, outgoing Vice President, Gillian Driscoll, outgoing Communications Chair, and Kirk Brown, incoming Communications Chair
- Noted that the Treasurer has a new assistant: Dorraine Keim, and showed the November 2025 Financial Report on the screen
- Thanked Sheryl Archer, Chair of the Membership Committee, reminded new members that name tags are available for pick-up, and both new and renewing members that dues for 2026 should be paid to the Treasurer
- Thanked Frankie Veltri for her on-going service as Social Chair and mentioned the upcoming Ladies Luncheon and Mardi Gras dinner/dance
- Thanked Judy and Ross Hart for their on-going work on Community Outreach, and Gillian and Josh for their support of the Harts, detailing the contributions to the various organizations we supported in 2025 – over 6,800 pounds of goods, more than \$1,000 in cash contributions and a bike and accessories worth over \$750. Keep up the good work! The February Club Meeting will have a collection for the Maricopa Humane Society, more details to follow by email.

President Barber introduced Chuck Veltri, Chair of the Veteran Services Committee, who described the great success of the Club's Secret Santa Project which supported the Lattie Coor Elementary School students. 233 students received gifts from Santa; he described the grateful parents who picked up the items for their children who would not have had a Christmas without the support of the Club. The committee, the Community of Kindness, is now helping out a grandmother who is caring for five grandchildren and in need of assistance. The committee is asking for cash, groceries and gift cards to help the family out. Contact Chuck to help.

The Political Committee continues to be active –

- Weekly Notices of Upcoming Activities prepared and disseminated by Diana Wiedower
- The Club Website provides up to date information on issues, opportunities to make phone calls, write articles, etc.
- 2026 is a critical year and we really need folks to help protect our democratic electoral processes by exercising out civic duty, volunteering, contributing talent, expertise and money, if you can to support issues and candidates you believe in. Our local focus is on holding the top of the state ticket offices: Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Treasurer and Mining positions as well. Try to flip the state House and Senate – we are very close.
- Ongoing Petition Signature Drive – sign the petitions for the candidates who are at the meeting and go online to sign for all and to contribute the \$5 needed for those running clean campaigns. The State Corporation Commission candidates will be at the February meeting. We really need representation on the Commission. What the Commission does touches our lives on a daily basis.
- Anyone interested in serving as the Assistant Web Master, writing articles or providing political updates, please let President Barber know.

- September 19 will be the huge Political Rally held at Tuscany Falls Ballroom. Details and opportunities to participate to come.
- Our Legislative District, LD 29's next meeting is January 21, 5:30p.m. at the Georgia Lord Library in Goodyear. Everyone is welcome!

Other upcoming activities:

- Men's Breakfast, January 14, 8:15a.m., Eagles Nest, Thank you, Josh Rabinowitz
- Monthly Game Nights – see the Club website for information
- Every Saturday morning breakfast, Eagles Nest, 8:00a.m. Thank you, Roberta Medina

Speakers:

- Candidate for Arizona State Treasurer, Nick Mansour, spoke and answered questions from the attendees.
- Candidate for State Mine Inspector, Brian Matlock, did not appear.

February 4, 2026 Speakers:

- Jonathan Hill and Clara Pratte, Candidates for Arizona Corporation Commission.

Meeting adjourned early with the President's thanks to all.

Respectfully submitted,

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Alisa Moore, PCDC Secretary, January 12, 2026