

Galveston Island Democrats
Monthly Membership Meeting Minutes
ILA Local 20 Union Hall
[6501 Harborside Dr, Galveston, TX 77554-2825](https://www.galvestonisd.com/6501-Harborside-Dr-Galveston-TX-77554-2825)
Tuesday, November 18, 2025

Pre-meeting activity: Membership created postcards to GISD and a survey to provide feedback to the organization.

Call to Order: President Carol Derragon brought the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Recitation of the Preamble to the U. S. Constitution

Minutes: Minutes from the previous meeting accepted.

Financial Report: Loretta Davis, Treasurer, reported that Galveston Island Democrats (GID) started the month with \$21793 and after donations and expenses ended at \$21513. All donations are appreciated and needed for upcoming election activities.

Attendance Report: 55 people attended, 11 new members

New Business:

- 2025 Bylaws approved by a vote of 35 to 0 with the following friendly announcements:

Article III - Membership Eligibility and Admission

Section 2 “dues” used when only donations are collected.

Section 2 doesn’t add information and was removed.

Article IV – Officers

Announcements:

- The following candidates made announcements about their candidacy:

Konstantinos Vogiatzis for Texas14th Congressional District vs. Randy Webber

Sarah Rollwitz spoke on behalf of her spouse Cameron Rollwitz for Texas Senate District 11 vs. Mayes Middleton

Sean Foley for Texas House District 23 vs. Terrie Leo-Wilson

Richard H. Davis for Texas14th Congressional District vs. Randy Webber

Section 2 Officers’ Duties, Section F – Assistant Treasurer was left in by error after it was decided that a Vice President – Finance was created. Section F was removed.

- GISD Board of Trustees’ and 10 Commandments posts

The Board voted not to post the 10 commandments until lawsuit is resolved. A delegation of GID members planned to attend the GISD Board meeting on Wednesday, November 19 to show support for the decision. GID invites others to join in order to thank those board members with the courage to vote “no”.

- MLK day of service

This year on MLK day, the members are encouraged to join a house painting activity. Please let Lodi Massey know if you would be willing to participate.

- Brita Bowers on national protests

Brita Bowers read a letter expressing her view on the importance of GID attending the October 18 No Kings protests regardless of other personal and professional commitments of the few people that are responsible for planning and executing those events.

- Information about local charities can be found at the Rosenberg Library at the Resource Desk.
- Packages to Europe have dramatic cost increases

The thought is that the increased cost of managing tariff coding and reporting has increased the cost of all carriers handling deliveries to other countries.

- Island Precinct Chairs Needed

The island has six unfilled precinct chairs. Please contact Galveston County Democrat Chair, Tierr'ishia Bell (gcdpchair.gibson@gmail.com), County Liaison, Conni Rivers (gcdpliaison@gmail.com) or GalvisleDems@gmail.com for more information.

202 – 14th St to 25th St; Harborside to Broadway

211 – Pelican Island & 25th St to 77th St & Harborside to Broadway

215 – South of Ave O, east of 45th St.

221 – West of 8 Mile Rd (with 2 “carve-outs”)

274 – Jamaica Beach

275 – Pirates Beach & Lake Como

Committee Reports: Full reports published at <https://galvisledems.com/>

2026 Election Key Dates

March 3, 2026 – Primary Election Day (Last day to register Feb. 2; Early voting Feb. 17 – Feb. 27)

November 3, 2026 – General Election Day (Last day to register Oct. 5; Early voting Oct. 19 – Oct. 30)

Activities Past:

Date	Day	Time	Place	Activity
10/3/2025	Friday	9 AM – 10:30 AM	Gypsy Joynt 6105 Stewart Rd, Galveston, TX 77551	GID First Friday

10/5/2025	Sunday	10 AM to 2 PM	Menard Park at McGuire Dent Rec Center 2222 28th St, Galveston, TX 77550	ACCT Annual Sea Walk event. It is a 3K run/walk and health fair event
10/9/2025	Thursday	11:45 AM	Holy Family Parish 2601 Avenue N, Galveston, Texas	Seaside Seniors Luncheons
10/9/2025	Thursday	7 PM – 8:30 PM	IBEW 527 2509 FM 2004, Texas City, TX	GCDP Monthly Meeting
10/11/2025	Saturday	10 AM to 2 PM	Menard Park at McGuire Dent Rec Center 2222 28th St, Galveston, TX 77550	Rally & March Democracy: Keep it alive
10/18/2025	Saturday	8 PM	Scottish Rite Cathedral in Galveston 2128 Church St, Galveston, TX 77550-2030	Play: The Uninvited
10/18/2025	Saturday	Multiple sites and times in Houston and Pasadena	https://www.mobilize.us/nokings/	No Kings Day Protest
10/19/2025	Sunday	2:00 PM – 4 PM	Meet at 26th St & Santa Fe Place, Galveston, United States	Third Coast PrideFest Parade
10/21/2025	Tuesday	4:30 PM	Sugar and Rye 2401 Church St, Galveston, TX 77550	Happy Hour
10/25/2025	Saturday	Noon – 9 PM	Galveston County Courthouse 722 21st St, Galveston, TX 77550	LULAC Dia de los Muertos Parade and Festival
10/28/2025	Tuesday	7PM	6501 Harborside Dr, Galveston, TX 77554-2825	GID Membership Meeting
11/7/2025	Friday	9 AM – 10:30 AM	TBA	GID First Friday

Activities Upcoming:

GID is trying to follow the national calendar <https://www.fiftyfifty.one/events> for protest events when possible.

Date	Day	Time	Place	Activity
December 5	Friday	9:00 am - 10:30 am	MOD Coffehouse 2126 Postoffice Street, Galveston, TX, United States	1st Friday Drop-In Coffee Club

December 11	Thursday	7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	IBEW 527 2509 FM 2004, Texas City, TX, United States	GCDP Monthly Meeting
December 16	Tuesday	4:30 pm - 6:00 pm	Katie's Seafood House 2000 Wharf Road, Galveston, United States	3rd Tuesday Drop-In Happy Hour
January 2, 2026	Friday	9:00 am - 10:30 am	TBA	1st Friday Drop-In Coffee Club
January 8, 2026	Thursday	7:00 pm - 8:30	IBEW 527 2509 FM 2004, Texas City, TX, United States	GCDP Monthly Meeting

Door prizes were distributed.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 PM.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, January 27, 2026, at 7 PM.

Shelia Salinas - Secretary

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Bylaws, Minutes and Newsletters: <https://galvisledems.com/bylaws-minutes-newsletters/>

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