

Minutes of the Wyoming County Democratic Committee meeting

Feb 25, 2020, St Peter's Church, Tunkhannock

1. **Call to order**, moment of silence in memory of Norm Ball

2. pledge of allegiance to the flag

3. Roll Call of Members: Jeff Zimmerman, Nadia Villanueva, Sandy Goodwin, Cynthia Stevens, Vicki Prekel, Susan Walter, Abe Kukuchka, Lynn Manheim, Officers: Sharon Neumane, Treasurer, Michael Stabinsky, Vice Chair, Laura A. Dickson, Chair, David Martin, Secretary, Phillip Shebby, Patrick Mahoney, Molly Mahoney, Jean Harris, Nadia Villanueva Delicati, Howard Fisher, Barbara Reel, Karl Bestedder, Pat Carbone, Michael Klees

Excused: Jean Harris, Karl Bestedder, Barbara Reel, Pat Carbone, Vicki Prekel. Susan Walter

Present: Howard, Sandra, Mike S, Laura, David, Sharon

Guests: Caroline Ries

4. Approval of previous Meeting Minutes –

a. Motion to accept made by David

b. Seconded by Sandra

c. # in favor: All # Opposed: none

5. Treasurer's Report – Sharon Neumane. Deposits were made for breakfast ads.

a. Old Balance \$3249

b. New Balance: \$ 2489

c. Motion to accept made by Cynthia

d. Seconded by Sandra

e. # in favor: All # Opposed: none

6. Committee reports; Audit committee: Cynthia will meet on March 4 with Sandra and Sharon. By-law revision committee: Mike will draft a policy on candidate selection for mid-term vacancies. Mike thinks the executive committee should vote on candidate selection. He will report a formal proposal at the next meeting. There needs to be a rapid process when the deadline is short and an extended process when time permits. Howard; committee stance on social media platforms, he needs time to clarify our stance.

7. Old Business: Pat was helping with the brunch but is now out of state. Laura asked about ad placements. Mike will use the \$100 authorized to place ads. Mike says FB requires a 15 mile radius for ads. Laura will complete the program document. Nadia will be asked to do the placemats. Help in decorating is needed. The ad deadline is March 30. Laura moved and David seconded that Caroline be appointed to the committee from Eaton Twp. She replaces Mike Kelly who has not attended in the last year.

6. Lee Griffin is running against Congressman Fred Keller.

a. There was a discussion of removal from the committee of those not regularly attending meetings (i.e., those with more than 3 un-excused absences). Laura will send a message reminding members of their obligations. There are already provisions in the by-laws that permit removal.

7. New Business: Petition signing results; Caroline was able to get the required number for Bernie, but Mike was not able to do so for Amy. Spring Breakfast will be held on April 4, 2020, at Stonehenge Golf Course, 55 Stonehedge Drive, Tunkhannock.

The cost is \$20.00 Per Person. Up-date from affiliated organizations; Sharon stated that they have \$1000 for a scholarship this year for the Democratic Women's Society.

8. Items for the good of the party: Caroline is interested in attending the state meeting when the opportunity arises.

9. Adjournment, next meeting date and location. March 24.