Minutes of the Wyoming County Democratic Committee meeting

June 25, 2019, Perkins Restaurant, Tunkhannock

1. Call to order, pledge of allegiance to the flag

2. Roll Call of Members: Jeff Zimmerman, Sandy Goodwin, Cynthia Stevens, Joann Ritter, Vicki Prekel, Ryan Rowe, Susan Walter, Abe Kukuchka, Lynn Manheim, Officers: Sharon Neumane, Treasurer, Vice Chair Michael Stabinsky Chair Laura A. Dickson, David Martin, Secretary, Phillip Shebby, Patrick Mahoney, Molly Mahoney, Jean Harris, Nadia Villanueva, Kristin Rowe, Mike Kelly, Jean Harris, Howard Fisher, Barbara Reel, Karl Bestedder, Pat Carbone, Michael Klees, Norm and Peg Ball

Present: Sandy Goodwin, Cynthia Stevens, Lynn Manheim, Officers: Sharon Neumane, Treasurer, Vice Chair Michael Stabinsky Chair Laura A. Dickson, David Martin, Secretary, Jean Harris, Nadia Villanueva, Jean Harris

Excused: Pat Carbone, Howard Fisher, Peg and Norm Ball. Guest, John McKay, Ernie and Marie King

- 3. Approval of previous Meeting Minutes David Martin
- a. Motion to accept made by Cynthia
- b. Seconded by Jean.
- c. # in favor: All # Opposed: none
- 4. Treasurer's Report Sharon Neumane
- a. Old Balance \$3545,
- b. New Balance: \$ tbd
- c. Motion to accept delayed until later

Comittee reports:

a. Report of Founders day booth. Laura said that the booth and candidate interactions were fabulous. The balloons were a hit and the water bottles were moving quickly. Cynthia said that they were very busy.

b. Staffing for county fair booth and other logistics. Mike said he would help clean, and Rick and Gino would see if there are repairs that are needed. John McCay will help too. Mike said that we need 5 four ft led lights. Approved. The new pie price is \$3. Laura will buy 8 oz cups. Also needed is water, Ready whip, paper towels and candy. Jean will purchase a case of water and coffee. Cynthia will get 8 Ready whips. David will list these on the Google doc. Nadia will bring 5 cases of water.

c. Planning for the picnic on July 9 at Lazybrook park: Sandy advised that we have about 45 reservations so far. Two are from Susquehanna county. Laura said she would do hot dogs and sauerkraut. Sandy said it has been in the Examiner. Sandy says she has the decorations. There will be a raffle, and donations are welcome.

ci. A discussion took place regarding participating in parades, and Laura mentioned that you can just show up and march.

cii. Bridge day is set for Sept 8

ciii. Laura said that the breakfast is set for Oct. 5, and the Moose and Shadowbrook are available. The committee voted for Shadowbrook. civ. Flo advises that a supervisor position is vacant in Monroe twp. Sandy will try to see if there are candidates.

New Business: Consideration of reimbursement of those who donated stamps for the postcard project. Jean suggested that we develop a list of campaign finance reporting requirements. Jean is willing to work on this with someone. If we are not able to get quick answers, Jean will ask Marion Mederos in Lackawanna county. David mentioned that committee members who expend money can request reimbursement from the committee. Jean suggested that we consider reimbursing those who were fined as a result of alleged violations. Jean moved that Republican ads be allowed to be purchased in the spring brunch program, but not in the fall brunch program. David seconded. Approved.

Nadia described the bulk rate mailing and the need to send postcards every year. There was consensus that we should change the procedure for postcard mailing. Jean said that they need to go out as early as possible, but many of the local dates are not set that early. There are about 5000 Democrats, with a 28% turnout at last election. Per household mailings are possible. Approved.

Up-date from affiliated organizations: Sharon reported on the upcoming Womens' Society group convention, which is set for this weekend and Sharon, Nadia and Jackie Baker will attend from the county group.

9. Adjournment, next meeting date and location. next meeting is sometime in in early September at Perkins.

--David Martin, Secretary Wyoming County Democratic Committee wyomingcountydemocrats.com/ facebook.com/wyomingcountydems/