

Minutes of the Wyoming County Democratic Committee meeting

Sept. 11, 2018 , Perkins Restaurant, Tunkhannock

1. Call to order, moment of silence in memory of all victims and heroes of 9-11, pledge of allegiance to the flag

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

Excused: Susan Walter, Vicki Prekel, Joann Ritter , Ray Hammond, Lynn Manheim, Mike Klees, Pat Carbone, Karl Bestedder

absent: Ryan and Kristin Rowe, Abe Kukuchka, Patrick Mahoney, Molly Mahoney, Susan Walter, Joann Ritter

3. Approval of previous Meeting Minutes – David Martin/

- a. Motion to accept made by Mike
- b. Seconded by Jean
- c. # in favor: All # Opposed: none

4. Treasurer's Report – Sharon Neumane

- a. Old Balance \$3617,
- b. New Balance: \$ 2711

5. Committee reports; The fall candidate breakfast and speakers: Laura reported that we have two major candidates to speak, Marc Friedenber and John Fetterman. Laura was impressed with Mr. Fetterman. Laura provided an ad flyer. We will have placemat ads. Nadia will organize the ads. 9/24 is the deadline for ads. Sandra moved and Cynthia seconded placing an ad in the paper. Passed.

By-Laws revision (Document link sent to committee members). Mike Stabinsky had to leave early and asked that this consideration be delayed until the next meeting.

6. Old Business

a. appointment of members to vacant and at large positions. The committee re-voted the May appointees (made prematurely), and also appointed Sharon Neumane to the Mehogany position and Mary Pratt to the Lemon position. Motions passed.

b. Democratic booth at Fair. Sharon reported that we lost \$116 on the event. A discussion ensued as to the value of our fair presence.

c. Nicholson Bridge day . Cynthia stated that it was a good day in spite of the rain. They received positive comments and passed out literature. A possible committee volunteer materialized.

7. New Business

a. Consideration of establishment of sub-committees for such areas as voter registration, get out the vote, fundraising, voter contact, events, communications.

8. Mike Kelly, Sandra and Cynthia expressed interest in serving on the executive committee.

b. Up-date from affiliated organizations;

c. Items for the good of the party: Laura reported on her attendance at the state committee meeting. Hakeem Jeffrey was the motivation speaker. The state committee received a special funding grant due to the importance of our elections. She learned of a major fundraiser at Crawford county where they raised \$20k. Jean suggested we seek a fair sponsor in line with this approach. The next state meeting is in March. She mentioned a false bill that another county committee paid. A discussion was held on our procedures, and the two signature safeguard for checks. Jean explained the 27 categories that qualify as a non-profit.

9. Adjournment, next meeting date and location. Tuesday October 2. Laura will check availability at Perkins.