



Minutes

Culpeper County Democratic Committee
April General Meeting

Date: April 23, 2019

Location: BOS Meeting Room, Culpeper

Prepared by: Ed Dunphy, Secretary

Agenda

Tuesday, April 23, 2019

CCDC April General Meeting Agenda

1. 7:00 Call to order. 53 active members, 22 needed for a quorum. Vote to accept Agenda
2. Welcome and Announcements from the Second Vice Chair
 - A. Vote on Bylaw Change
 - B. April's Membership Campaign
 - C. Social Committee (Travis)
 - D. Voter Education Committee (Rebecca)
1. Secretary's report (2 minutes):
Any changes to minutes & vote to accept
2. Treasurer's report (2 minutes)
3. New Business
 - A. Rural Retreat
 - B. Fundraising yard sale with Spotsy Dems
 - C. Any new business?
1. 7:30 Guest Speakers:
 - A. Anne Ridgeway (10 minutes)
 - B. Laura Galante (5 minutes)
 - C. Josh Houston (5 minutes)
 - D. Chris Walsh (5 minutes)
 - E. Annette Hyde (5 minutes)
 - F. Austin Hall (5 minutes)
1. Members, guests announcements (1 minute each)
 - A. Member announcements
 - B. Guest announcements
 - C. Introductions from first-time attendees
1. Adjourn

Attendance.

There were 53 active members in advance of the meeting. The number required for a quorum was 22.

There were 24 members and 12 guests in attendance

The quorum was met beginning at 7:15 at all times.

Call to Order - Meeting was called to order by the 2nd Vice Chair, Rebecca Layne at 7:03 pm. Since a quorum had not been met Rebecca began with items that did not require a quorum. A quorum was met at 7:15 pm and remained throughout the rest of the meeting.

Changes to the published agenda. *There were no changes to the published agenda. Motion to accept the agenda Ed Dunphy, Second Meroê Dawson. Passed*

Welcome and Announcements from the Chair: Rebecca updated us on the various items listed in this part of the agenda.

Motion to change bylaws was made after the confirmation of a quorum at approx 7:15pm. Motion made by Mary Jo Monahan. Second Peggy Kenny. Passed by a unanimous vote.

Currently Section 6.5 reads:

An officer who decides to run for elected office at the local, state or federal level, either as a Democratic nominee or as an Independent candidate, shall resign their office in CCDC.

Motion: Change Section 6.5:

Section 6.5 An officer who decides to run for elected office at the state or federal level, either as a Democratic nominee or as an Independent candidate, shall resign their office in CCDC. A CCDC officer, other than one of the three Chairs, may run for Culpeper Town Council, Culpeper Board of Supervisors, or Culpeper School Board without resigning their position on the CCDC executive committee.

Changes to and approval of the minutes. Secretary's report. Presented the minutes from March 26 meeting. **Motion:** to accept the minutes made by Michael McClary. Second by Jim Restel. Passed. Tom Faircloth asked that we provide information to the group about seats for local office that do not have a progressive candidate yet.

Treasurer's Report: Pam Novy was not present and did not submit a Treasurer's report. Rebecca said that when the report is available it will be sent out to the membership.

Social Committee: Travis Warby reported that the Social Committee was working on a venue for an event on May 18th. He will provide more information when it becomes available.

New Business: Rural Retreat is coming up May 3-5 in Roanoke. Members are encouraged to go to the Rural Caucus website and register. This is a great way to network and learn from other rural county committees.

Fundraising yard sale with Spotys Dems was discussed and it was decided to be a good idea. David Reuther will be encouraged to plan something this fall with them. It was suggested that we could begin stocking up on items by putting donations into our storage locker.

Two new members turned in their membership applications and dues. Karen Flynn and Willie Robson. Motion to accept these two new members by Tom Faircloth. Second Carolyn Walker. Motion passed.

Mike McClary suggested we adopt another by law change. Article 9 section 11.1 calls for 40% of Active Members to make a quorum. Mike asked that

we move to request that the Executive Committee re write this to require 30% and ask that they present this change at the May General Meeting for a vote. Second by Charles McDonald. Motion passed.

Sharon Church recommended that we discuss our strategy to help candidates in the upcoming 2019 local elections at our next General Meeting.

Guest Speaker: Per the agenda six guest speakers addressed the group.

Member and Guest Announcements:

Seth Heald informed the group of a push by member owners of the Rappahannock Electric Cooperative to support candidates for seats on the Cooperative's BOD this summer. Anyone wanting more information should contact Seth for more details. This group, Reform REC, wants to reach out to anyone who gets their power from REC.

Adjournment: 8:10pm Moved by Tom Faircloth with a second by Jim Restel.

Signed Ed Dunphy, Secretary