

Culpeper County Democratic Committee

Town Police Dept. Community Room

Saturday, Sept. 7, 2024

9-11 a.m.

1. Welcome & Call to Order 9:30 a.m.
2. In the Chair's absence, Vice Chair Ed Dunphy asked first-time visitors – at least 10! – to stand and introduce themselves.
3. The agenda was approved (on a motion by Marilyn Dunphy, second by Steven A. Jones Sr.)
4. Membership committee report: Carolyn Walker

The following new members were accepted on a motion by Jan Fitts, second by Anita Street: Laura Adler, Phillip Blackmon, Joy Catron, Reva Cook, Margaret Gossweiler, Maggie Gutierrez, Denise Head, Linda Heilbron, Jeanne Mayo, Gary Mullins, Marty Williamson, and Iris Curtis. That brings the membership to 115, a roughly 40 percent increase since Kamala Harris's entry into the race and CCDC's move to Main Street.

5. The minutes were approved unanimously (Matt Borja, Anita Street).
6. The treasurer's report was approved unanimously (Alison Howard, Carolyn Walker) Karen Bywaters said all eight seats at the CCDC table at the NAACP Freedom Fund banquet have been sold. Contact the NAACP directly for general tickets.
7. Committee Chair Reports
 - Vice Chair of Community Operations; Communications, Ed Dunphy:
 - Volunteers are needed for the CCDC Booth at the Carver Center's 4-County Fair on Saturday, Sept. 21. There will be a Sign-up Genius link in the weekly newsletter.
 - There will be also be a Sign-Up Genius for volunteers for the CCDC /NAACP voter registration drive at CHS on Sept. 30 and EVHS on Oct. 1. Will include the sign-up genius link in the weekly email
 - Postcards: Carol Nelson reported that so many people volunteered to write – more than 70! – that they may not get as many cards as they requested. They're now available in the office for pick-up/

- Chair, Events/Social Committee, Marilyn Dunphy
 - We'll have a debate watch-party at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept.10, at the new office. Snacks provided, BYO beverage.
 - Open House at the new office 5-7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20. Food by Burnt Ends.
 - Precinct Operations Committee Chair, Steven A. Jones Sr.
 - Well knock on doors Sept. 14 and 28, Oct. 12 and 26.
 - We'll crowd-canvass at the Farmer's Market on Saturdays for the foreseeable future.
 - Steven and Charles Jameson installed 5 Vindman 4x8 signs. He and Ed Dunphy installed 5 large Harris-Walz signs.
 - Coordinated Campaign report, Matt Borja.
 - Canvassing concentrating now on Democratic drifters, swing voters and very soft GOP voters.
8. Poli-Talk Report, Jan Fitts. This is a chance to talk about issues, programs, and policies, to contribute articles, and to invite friends of any persuasion to join the conversation. The next one will be held from 1-3 p.m. Oct. 8 at the CCDC office.
9. Members Comments/News
 - Mike McClary reminded us about the Vindman fundraiser to be held 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 21, at the Stocks' farm.
10. Adjourn 10:36 (Alison, Steve)

10:30 a.m. Guest Speaker: Bill Ooten , Director of the Culpeper County Office of Emergency Services

Next Meeting: 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 5, 2024