
York Democratic Town Committee - Meeting Minutes - June 15th 2016

Meeting Begins - 7:15 PM

7:15 - Doors opened

7:30 - Meeting Called to order by Paul Stolberg (Chair of YDTC & meeting facilitator)

7:32 - Introductions of committee members and then introduction of all attendees

7:35 - Paul Stolberg introduces Senator Dawn Hill as guest speaker

7:36 - Moment of silence for victims of Orlando Pulse nightclub shooting

Maine Senator Dawn Hill Speaks - 7:37

- Need to rebuild Senate after several key Democratic Losses
- Be cautious of Donald Trump / Don't just plan on him not getting elected
- Unions & Labor in New England support Donald Trump
- This is mostly due to people's anger over current economics
- It is important to support local Democrats in all political races
- Our goal should be to gain a majority in the House & Senate
- We would need a supermajority in order to oppose Gov. Paul LePage
- This is achievable if we work with Republicans who oppose Trump & LePage

Senator Dawn Hill takes questions - 7:53

- Rosalien Moore: Can we get rid of term limits?
- Nancy Stolberg: How can Gov. LePage not allowing people to talk to committee members?
- Paul Stolberg: Is the ALEC targeting Maine during this election cycle?

8:01 - Senator Dawn Hill makes her closing statement

Official meeting is initiated - 8:02

8:03 - Paul Stolberg Mentions the chairs report, thanks everyone for attending & congratulates all Democratic primary winners in their election.

8:04 - Motion made to accept the minutes of Democratic Caucus in March and the election of all officials to the York Democratic Town Committee

8:05 - Motion is approved unanimously

8:06 - Treasurer's report of all funds totaling \$125.62 is submitted

8:07 - Treasurer's report is accepted unanimously

8:08 - Hat is passed around the room to gather donations in support of the YDTC

Representative Lydia Blume takes the floor - 8:09

- Mentions her campaign for re-election of York District 3
- Asks for help contributing to her campaign by helping with letter writing
- Talks about opening an office for the upcoming Presidential election

8:11 Representative Lydia Blume makes her closing statement

Democratic committees & State committees - 8:12

- Changes to committees and positions within those committees
- Red to Blue states (including Maine) need all mentioned committees more
- Congressional districts with upcoming elections also need these committees more
- Staffing in York is also a priority to York Democratic Town Committee

Motion to elect new members to these committees is made - 8:17

- Justene Thain volunteers for a committee position
- Jennifer Hoover volunteers for a committee position
- Alan Gitelson volunteers for a committee position

8:18 - All volunteers are accepted & approved

Setup of membership & outreach committee - 8:19

- Sign up sheet for various committees passed around the room including;
- Program Committee for current ballot initiatives & Fundraising Committee for raising funds

8:24 - Monthly meetings suggested starting in August & then every 6 weeks after

July Convention for the Presidential Democratic Candidate - 8:25

- Talk, miple, food, snacks, watch speech by Presidential Democratic Candidate
- Mentioned hosting event at new York Office on July 15th 2016
- Would require cleaning & setup but allow for potential fundraising

Representative Patty Hymanson speaks - 8:30

- Mentions her campaign for re-election of York District 4
- Asks for help contributing to her campaign by helping with lawn signs
- Representative Patty Hymanson makes her closing statement

Closing statements are made - 8:33

- July 4th parade offers local Democrats the ability to participate
- Reminder is made to sign in on sheets available upon entry

8:38 - Paul Stolberg calls for adjournment of YDTC Meeting

Meeting Closes - 8:34 PM

Notes: Chris Duplantis