

Minutes
Carlisle Democratic Town Committee Meeting
Thursday, July 21, 2022, 7:30 PM via Zoom

Attendance: Dan Cook, Maureen Cosgrove-Deery, Sharmili Das, Kenneth Deitch, David Erickson, Bridget Ferrari, Nancy Kronenberg, Bonnie Miskolczy, Frank Rigg, Francis Tacardon, Bob Wallhagen

1. Miscellaneous

Ken Deitch offered a resolution of enormous gratitude to Nancy Kronenberg. Nancy became involved after the 2016 election and contributed beyond any possible expectation.

Ken also let us know that he is back home and highly recommends The Life Care Center of Nashoba Valley where he received excellent physical therapy for his leg.

There had been some confusion about the meeting time and so we will go back to 7:00PM, putting the next meeting at 7:00PM on Thursday, Aug. 18, 2022

2. Annual Democratic Town Picnic

Francis said he had approval from the Town Hall to start posting signs for the picnic starting tomorrow. The signs are all set, Francis bought 10 lawn signs for \$50 and has posted one at both Launa's and Frank's front yard. There will be 2 in the rotary and Sharmili and Bonnie will put up signs, leaving a few more if others would like to put up signs.

Nancy said that we have some sign frames, Francis has one and there should be another but Francis thinks one was stolen last year.

Bridget will set up a "sign up genius" web site to help make the picnic a potluck. Maureen was concerned people might be uncomfortable about bringing food because of Covid and Wallhagen said that the Third Madd had already advertised something else. Bob said that picnics have been defined by hamburgers and was surprised to hear that we weren't planning on having hamburgers. After some discussion we settled on a potluck with hamburgers and hot dogs. We did overbuy last year so we may have fewer hamburgers than last year and Bob will supply a grill.

Dan Scholten, Dan Cook, and Francis Tacardon have volunteered to help on the picnic and we will invite the Mosquito as well.

3. Treasurer's report

Dan reported that we previously had \$1130.51 with \$203.22 in expenses leaving a balance of \$927.29. We are currently paying \$5/month for the bank account but hopefully that will go away if we have more activity.

4. Campaign support

Nancy said post cards are very popular. Bonnie gets post cards online and then gets some people to help, she currently has about 70 post cards. Nancy has her own post card sources, she previous had a person in Wayland who put everything together. The post cards primarily go to targeted areas and mostly attempting to get out the vote, especially targeting people who were removed from the voter roll and telling them how to get back on the roll. Francis used to volunteer for post cards but wants to go back to texting, he was able to text 5000 people last time he did this.

For people who like to knock on doors Susan Labandibar of Swing Left Boston (now Swing Blue Alliance) will be running carpools to New Hampshire. Nancy tries to find places where a small nudge can make all the difference. Maureen thinks we could make a difference in NH because we are so close.

Dan sent a link to Environmental Voter Project <https://www.environmentalvoter.org/updates/evps-2021-impact-report-here?emci=9ca62a6f-f5b4-ec11-997e-281878b83d8a&emdi=0a1d7615-f8b4-ec11-997e-281878b83d8a&ceid=2631431>

Nancy is tracking 10 Senate races on the web site and Francis noted that Indivisible also does this.

There was considerable discussion of whether we should have a coordinated effort or let people choose their own individual efforts. There was also some discussion of social media with the statement the people under 30 no longer use email. There was a suggestion of speaking to kids to try to find the best way of reaching young voters.

Francis said there is a Carlisle resident who wants to talk about Georgia and he asked whether he should ask him to talk for 10 minutes.

5. Minutes

Dan Cook moved to approve the minutes of June 16,2022, the motion was seconded and approved.

6. Adjourn: Dan Cook moved to adjourn, it was seconded and approved. Meeting adjourned at 9:01PM.