

Minutes
Carlisle Democratic Town Committee Meeting
Thursday, April 18, 2024, 7:00 PM via Zoom

Attendance: Dan Cook, Maureen Cosgrove-Deery, Kenneth Deitch, David Erickson, Nancy Kronenberg, Bonnie Miskolczy, Rebecca Morris, Kate Reid, Frank Rigg, Dan Scholten, Francis Tacardon, Bob Wallhagen, Sally Zielinski

1. Minutes from 3/21/24
Ken Deitch moved to approve the minutes of 3/21/24, the motion was seconded and approved unanimously with Sally Zielinski abstaining. Dan Cook did the minutes from 4/4 but has not yet finished them.
2. Treasurers Report
The CDTC currently has \$2346.61. The tax filings have been completed. We have not yet paid for any postcards.
3. Campaigns
Francis reported that we assigned organizers for each campaign we have. Dan cook is the organizer for letters to the editor.
Nancy has put 4 packets of post cards on her porch to "reclaim our votes". Dan got ten packs over the weekend from Concord Indivisible. He picked them up from Harvey Wheeler Community Center--they can also be written at the Center.
1 pack is 20 postcards for \$20 with everything you need (including stamps). Reclaim our Vote is convinced that a little color in the message gets attention, she has left some colored pens.
Francis noted that you can do post cards through Volunteer Blue as well. Nancy likes "Reclaim our Vote"--they have some information about the demographics they work with.
Francis said that if you want a specific state, Volunteer Blue can direct you to campaigns for that state.
The CDTC has designed a flyer for volunteers for "the most important election of our lifetime" with QR codes for carlisedems.org and volunteerblue.org, it will be posted at carlisedems.org and Facebook and distributed as widely as possible.
John Ballantine was unable to attend the meeting but will send out an email with the results of the CDTC survey.
Nancy has been promoting texting. She says that you work with 2 windows on your screen, one is a communications collaborations package called Slack and Spoke; Slack can connect with a mentor and Spoke has the script. They are available all year round and so you can help with things like state legislative campaigns, special elections, and Senate/house openings. She talked to one of the moderators and asked about group training, he said they might provide it if we were interested. Nancy told him that we are interested in electing Democrats--training sessions set you up with a trainer, set up Spoke and Slack and walk you through it and then lead you into a texting training.
4. Picnic Planning
After some discussion, the CDTC decided to hold the picnic on Sunday, August 25 from 1-4.
5. Bylaws and procedures
Nancy and Ken spent a good deal of time on this. They worked backwards from the policies and procedures to the bylaws; the policies and procedures go into detail, while the bylaws simply explain that in some cases there will be email voting, the p&p specify the details of voting. The policies must conform to the bylaws but most go into more detail. There is some redundancy between the bylaws and the procedures but hopefully no inconsistencies. There was considerable discussion of the changes to the bylaws and procedures which I could detail but I will omit that here for brevity but the revised bylaws and policies and procedures are available for review. I people would like full notes of the discussion, let me know and I will expand this section.
6. Schedule for LTE
Dan Cook will send the schedule of LTEs.
7. Democratic breakfast
3rd Madd is having their breakfast on 4/20/24 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Waltham, it will be \$45/person or a table of 8 for \$320, Bob Wallhagen is planning to go, Bedford has already reserved 2 tables...
8. Signs
Biden signs are \$350 for 30; Warren signs are available at her office.

9. Adjourn

Bonnie moved to adjourn, Maureen seconded and the CDTC adjourned at 9:04pm.