

GUILFORD COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY
BOARD MEETING OF THE OFFICERS

MINUTES OF JULY 10, 2017

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A meeting of the Guilford County Democratic Party officers held a meeting to listen to past Chair of NCDP Randy Voller's presentation, approve minutes and budget, give officers' reports, old and new business.

PRESENT: Chair Nicole Ward Quick, 1st Vice Chair Pam Stubbs, 2nd Vice Chair Jaime Brown, Greensboro Vice Chair Heidi Fleshman, High Point Vice Chair Joshua "Fox" Brown, Rural Vice Chair Leslie Martin, Secretary/Chair Issues Committee Beverly Bard, Treasurer James Bowles, President African-American Caucus Felita Donnell, President Democratic Women Carolyn Bunker, Executive Director Bess Lewis, guest speaker past Chair NCDP Randy Voller, fill in for LGBTQ President Larry Eisenberg and Young Dems Lee Goldston was Board of Education Byron Gladden

OBSERVERS: Precinct FR2 Chair/Data Committee Larry Cormier, CEC/SEC member David Dalton, Precinct SF3 Chair Martha Shafer, Precinct G30/SEC member B.J. Gerald-Covington, SEC member Lissa Harris, Precinct G67 Chair James Motley

Meeting was called to order by Chair Nicole Quick at 6:38. Introductions were made. Past Chair NCDP Randy Voller told us where Democrats stand and where we are going.

Minutes of Board Meeting June 8, 2017 were corrected. Felita made motion to approve minutes as corrected. Heidi seconded and motion was passed.

TREASURER JAMES BOWLES REPORT was given. Felita made motion to approve report, Leslie seconded and motion passed.

CHAIR NICOLE WARD QUICK REPORT

- A. Breaking the Majority Statewide Training is July 15th in Raleigh, NC.
- B. The state Unity Dinner is July 15th at NC State University.
- C. The Sanford Hunt Frye Breakfast will be held prior to the SEC Meeting on August 19th in Alamance County, NC. Time and location TBD.
- D. The State Executive Committee Meeting (SEC) will be on August 19th in Alamance County, NC. Time and place are TBD.
- E. Compliance Reports are due July 28, 2017.
- F. The Guilford County Unity Dinner will be on September 23rd at the Sheraton Greensboro Four Seasons. The theme is "Guilford County Turns the Tide". Contribution letters have been sent and some are already coming in. Ashton Wheeler is Chair of Unity Dinner Committee. Unity Committee requested a contest between precinct chairs and asked visitors to come to a committee meeting. Margaret Arbuckle and Dot Kearns made calls for donations. Democratic Women contributed \$1500 last year.
- G. Municipal Candidates who have announced or filed so far were reviewed.
- H. The payment was received for new website to go live. Dillon Tyler returned.
- I. A Link to corrected and approved Board meeting minutes is to be added to website.

- J. An interest meeting for Progressive Caucus is scheduled for Monday July 24th at Headquarters, 2300 W. Meadowview Rd, Greensboro, NC around 6:30 or 7:00 pm.
- K. A Sustaining Fund good faith payment of \$400 was given to state and Votebuilder was turned on.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Officers discussed a Question & Answer Forum vs Meet & Greet for municipal candidates. Chair Nicole requested ideas be emailed to her.
- B. High Point Chair Joshua "Fox" Brown made a motion for a seven-day boost on the Facebook donation post. Greensboro Chair Heidi Fleshman seconded and the motion passed.
- C. Officers discussed "Opt Out" option for CEC mailers to save on mailing costs and it would need to be renewed yearly.
- D. Chair Nicole Ward Quick made the motion to provide training by past Chair Joe Alston to new SEC members about how to vote as a block. Felita Donnell seconded and motion passed.

OTHER REPORTS were suspended in the interest of time.

OLD BUSINESS

- A. Twitter account and G Suite were on hold during absence of 3rd Vice Chair Dillon Tyler.
- B. The proposal made by Joan Bass to amend the Plan of Organization for SEC member pool was forwarded to the state POO Committee prior to the 30 day notice.
- C. Sangeetha or Jennifer will add Unity-specific ActBlue button to the website.
- D. Chair Nicole Ward Quick requested wants/needs for wish list to be sent to her prior to her meeting with Treasurer James Bowles about budget goals.
- E. Chair Nicole asked Lissa Harris and B.J. Gerald-Covington to email her with their interests.
- F. Officers applauded after Chair Nicole requested we cease fire on Board infighting on social media by handling issues on a one to one personal level.

ADJOURNMENT

Heidi Fleshman made the motion to adjourn and Felita Donnell seconded. Motion passed and meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Bard

Secretary GCDP

Nicole Ward Quick

Chair GCDP