

**MINUTES FOR GUILFORD COUNTY DEMOCRAT PARTY CONVENTION,
Saturday, March 30th, 2019, Embassy Suites by Hilton Greensboro Airport
204 Centreport Dr., Greensboro NC 27409**

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At 12:15 P.M. Guilford County Democratic Party Chair Nicole Ward Quick thanked the convention. To give delegates time to sign in, she called for candidates to speak.

GCDP Chair Nicole Quick called the meeting to order at 12:30 P.M.

Everyone observed a moment of silence.

Everyone stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance.

A Ragsdale High School duet sang "America The Beautiful".

GCDP 2nd Vice Chair Adrienne Spinner introduced elected officials: D27 State Senator Michael Garrett, D8 Commissioner Melvin "Skip" Alston, D7 Board of Education Byron Gladden, NC Court of Appeals Associate Judge Mark Davis, D61 Representative Pricey Harrison, The Honorable Dot Kearns, The Honorable Dan Vaughn, D6 Board of Education Khem Irby, and D57 Representative Ashton Clemmons.

GCDP Secretary Beverly Bard gave the registration report. A quorum of 50% plus one of our organized precincts was required for quorum. The county currently had 117 organized precincts, which meant 60 precincts were needed for a quorum. As of time of the report, 89 precincts were present at this convention and, therefore, had required quorum. This was the official roll of voting delegates at this convention. She moved the adoption of the credentials report. The motion was seconded and passed.

ELECTION OF 2019-2021 GCDP BOARD OF OFFICERS

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick presented the rules for voting and answered questions. She explained that the GCDP Chair would be elected first. She turned over the meeting to Parliamentarian Attorney Michael C. Taliercio for the Chair vote.

ELECTION OF GCDP CHAIR

Parliamentarian Attorney Michael C. Taliercio asked for nominations for GCDP Chair from the floor. Nicole Ward Quick, being the only candidate, and hearing no other nominations from the floor, Parliamentarian Attorney Michael Taliercio made a motion to close nominations. Motion was seconded and passed. He explained that since there was only one candidate, the convention can vote by acclimation. It was passed to vote by acclimation. Parliamentarian Attorney Michael Taliercio asked for vote by acclimation for Nicole Ward Quick to serve as GCDP Chair by saying "Aye". He asked for those opposed to say "No". Hearing none opposed, Nicole Ward Quick was elected as GCDP Chair.

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick thanked the convention for their vote of confidence.

ELECTION OF GCDP 1ST VICE CHAIR

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick explained the 1st Vice Chair is of the opposite gender as the Chair. She announced the candidates for 1st Vice Chair to come forward: Tyler Beall, Joshua Perry Brown, and Maurice Warren. She asked for other nominations from the floor. B.J. Gerald-Covington moved to close nominations. Seeing as there were no other nominations, Chair Nicole Ward Quick asked for those in favor to say "Aye" and those opposed to say "No". The "Ayes" had it. Hearing no one opposed, nominations were closed. Each candidate spoke for 2 minutes, to include anyone who spoke for the candidate.

Chair Nicole Ward Quick explained the voting rules and answered questions with the help of Pete Sallasi, the vote counter. The convention voted by ballot, ballots collected, and tallied for GCDP 1st Vice Chair. GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick announced that Tyler Beall is the new GCDP 1st Vice Chair.

GCDP Chair Nicole Quick announced candidate for Lieutenant Governor, Cal Cunningham, who spoke.

ELECTION OF GCDP 2ND VICE CHAIR

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick said the only candidate for GCDP 2nd Vice Chair is Adrienne Spinner. Then she asked for other nominations from the floor. It was moved by GCDP High Point Vice Chair Josh "Fox" Brown to close nominations. Chair Nicole asked for those in favor to say "Aye" and those opposed to say "no". The "Ayes" had it and nominations were closed. Since there is only one nominee for 2nd vice Chair, she made the motion to elect the GCDP 2nd Vice Chair by acclamation. She asked for those in favor to say "Aye" and those opposed to say "No". The "Ayes" had it to vote by acclamation. GCDP Nicole Ward Quick asked for those in favor of Adrienne Spinner as GCDP 2nd Vice Chair to say "Aye" and those opposed to say "No". The "Ayes" had it and Adrienne Spinner was elected by acclamation to be GCDP 2nd Vice Chair.

ELECTION OF GCDP 3RD VICE CHAIR

Chair Nicole Ward Quick said the only candidate for 3rd Vice Chair is Elijah Mears. Then she asked for other nominations from the floor. It was moved by GCDP High Point Vice Chair Josh "Fox" Brown to close nominations. Chair Nicole asked for those in favor to say "Aye" and those opposed to say "no". The "Ayes" had it and nominations were closed. Since there is only one nominee for 3rd Vice Chair, she made the motion to elect the GCDP 3rd Vice Chair by acclamation. She asked for those in favor to say "Aye" and those opposed to say "No". The "Ayes" had it to vote by acclamation. GCDP Nicole Ward Quick asked for those in favor of Adrienne Spinner as GCDP 2nd Vice Chair to say "Aye" and those opposed to say "No". The "Ayes" had it and Elijah Mears was elected by acclamation as GCDP 3rd Vice Chair.

ELECTION OF GCDP GREENSBORO VICE CHAIR

Chair Nicole Ward Quick said the only candidate for GCDP Greensboro Vice Chair is Pete Shaw. Then she asked for other nominations from the floor. It was moved by GCDP High Point Vice Chair Josh "Fox" Brown to close nominations. Chair Nicole asked for those in favor to say "Aye" and those opposed to say "no". The "Ayes" had it and nominations were closed. Since there is only one nominee for Greensboro Vice Chair, she made the motion to elect the GCDP Greensboro Vice Chair by acclamation. She asked for those in favor to say "Aye" and those opposed to say "No". The "Ayes" had it to vote by acclamation. Nicole Ward Quick asked for those in favor of Pete Shaw as GCDP Greensboro Vice Chair to say "Aye" and those opposed to say "No". The "Ayes" had it and Pete Shaw was elected by acclamation as GCDP Greensboro Vice Chair.

ELECTION OF GCDP HIGH POINT VICE CHAIR

Chair Nicole Ward Quick called forward, alphabetically, GCDP High Point Vice Chair candidates Beverly Bard and Larry Cormier to speak. Then she asked for other nominations from the floor. It was moved by GCDP High Point Vice Chair Josh "Fox" Brown to close nominations. Chair Nicole asked for those in favor to say "Aye" and those opposed to say "no". The "Ayes" had it and nominations were closed. Chair Nicole Ward Quick, with the help of GCDP Rural Vice Chair Leslie Holder Martin, explained the rules of voting and answered questions. The convention voted by ballot, ballots collected, and counted. Beverly Bard was elected as GCDP High Point Vice Chair.

ELECTION OF GCDP RURAL VICE CHAIR

Chair Nicole Ward Quick said the only candidate for GCDP Rural Vice Chair is Linda Archer. Then she asked for other nominations from the floor. Motion was made and seconded to close nominations. Chair Nicole asked for those in favor to say "Aye" and those opposed to say "no". The "Ayes" had it and nominations were closed. Since there is only one nominee for Rural Vice Chair, she made the motion to elect the Rural Vice Chair by acclamation. She asked for those in favor to say "Aye" and those opposed to say "No". The "Ayes" had it to vote by acclamation. Nicole Ward Quick asked for those in favor of Linda Archer as GCDP Rural Vice Chair to say "Aye" and those opposed to say "No". The "Ayes" had it and Linda Archer was elected by acclamation as GCDP Rural Vice Chair.

ELECTION OF GCDP TREASURER

Betsy Fox made the motion to delay the election of GCDP Secretary until the results were known for High Point Vice Chair, in case those not elected might wish to be nominated as GCDP Secretary. Motion was made and seconded. GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick answered questions. She asked for those in favor to say "Aye" and those opposed to say "No". The "Ayes" had it to delay the election of GCDP Secretary until the results were known for High Point Vice Chair.

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick said the only candidate for GCDP Treasurer is Leslie Holder Martin. Then she asked for other nominations from the floor. Motion was made and seconded to close nominations. GCDP Chair Nicole asked for

those in favor to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “no”. The “Ayes” had it and nominations were closed. Since there is only one nominee for GCDP Treasurer, she made the motion to elect the GCDP Treasurer by acclamation. She asked for those in favor to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “No”. The “Ayes” had it to vote by acclamation. GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick asked for those in favor of Leslie Holder Martin as GCDP Treasurer to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “No”. The “Ayes” had it and Leslie Holder Martin was elected by acclamation as GCDP Treasurer.

ELECTION OF GCDP SECRETARY

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick said the only candidate for GCDP Secretary is Iamoni McClellan. Then she asked for other nominations from the floor. Seeing as there were no other nominations, motion was made and seconded to close nominations. Chair Nicole asked for those in favor to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “no”. The “Ayes” had it and nominations were closed. Since there is only one nominee for GCDP Secretary, she made the motion to elect the GCDP Secretary by acclamation. She asked for those in favor to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “No”. The “Ayes” had it to vote by acclamation. Nicole Ward Quick asked for those in favor of Iamoni McClellan as GCDP Secretary to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “No”. The “Ayes” had it and Iamoni McClellan was elected as GCDP Secretary.

ELECTION OF 2019-2021 STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick explained the rules and procedures of electing State Executive Committee members. She answered questions.

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick called forward, by name, those females already declaring candidacy for State Executive Committee membership. She asked for other nominations from the floor, and explained that the vote can be taken by acclamation if there are exactly 15 nominees. As other nominees were called from the floor, other nominees chose to cancel their nomination so as to leave exactly 15 nominees to be voted on by acclamation. Motion was made and seconded to close nominations. Chair Nicole asked for those in favor to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “no”. The “Ayes” had it and nominations were closed. Since there were exactly 15 nominees for State Executive Committee membership, she made the motion to precede the elect by acclamation. She asked for those in favor to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “No”. The “Ayes” had it to vote by acclamation and 15 female delegates were elected as State Executive Committee members. GCDP 3rd Vice Chair Elijah Mears recorded the names of those elected.

GCDP chair Nicole Ward quick called forward, by name, those males already declaring candidacy for State Executive Committee membership. She asked for other nominations from the floor, and explained that the vote can be taken by acclamation if there are exactly 15 nominees. As other nominees were called from the floor, other nominees chose to cancel their nomination so as to leave exactly 15 nominees to be voted on by acclamation. Motion was made and seconded to close nominations. Chair Nicole asked for those in favor to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “no”. The “Ayes” had it and nominations were closed. Since there were exactly 15 nominees for State Executive Committee membership, she made the motion to precede the elect by acclamation. She asked for those in favor to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “No”. The “Ayes” had I to vote by acclamation and 15 male delegates were elected as State Executive Committee members. GCDP Treasurer Leslie Holder Martin recorded the names of those elected.

ELECTION OF 2019-2021 CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 6 AND 13 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND DELEGATES

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick explained the rules and procedures for the election of D6 and D13 Executive Committee Members and Delegates. Since the GCDP Chair and 1st Vice Chair are automatic members, the convention voted for one more member for D6 and one more for D13.

Chair Nicole Ward Quick asked for nominees from the floor for D6 Executive Committee Member. Since Sarah Gates was the only nominee, GCDP Nicole Ward Quick asked for a motion to close nominations. Motion was made and seconded to close nominations. Chair Nicole asked for those in favor to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “no”. The “Ayes” had it and nominations were closed. Since there was one nominees for D6 Executive Committee membership, she made the motion to precede the elect by acclamation. She asked for those in favor to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “No”. The “Ayes” had it to vote by acclamation. Nicole Ward Quick asked for those in favor of Sarah Gates to say “Aye” and

those opposed to say “No”. The “Ayes” had it and Sarah Gates was elected by acclamation for D6 Executive Committee Member.

Chair Nicole Ward Quick asked for nominees from the floor for D13 Executive Committee membership. Michele MacKel and Pam Stubbs were nominated from the floor. Seeing no other nominations, Chair Nicole Ward Quick asked for a motion to close nominations. Motion was made by B. J. Gerald-Covington and seconded to close nominations. Chair Nicole asked for those in favor to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “no”. The “Ayes” had it and nominations were closed. GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick called the nominees forward to speak. After the nominees spoke, she explained the voting rules and procedures. Ballot votes were taken, collected, and counted. Pam Stubbs was elected D13 Executive Committee Member.

GCDP Nicole Ward Quick said there were not enough delegates signed up for D6 and D13 conventions. She said there are 155 delegate spaces for D6 and 352 for D13, and we never are able to fill those spots. She encouraged delegates to sign up. She made the motion to allow GCDP Executive Director Bess Lewis to recruit/assign delegates to fill in those vacancies. Motion was seconded. Chair Nicole asked for those in favor to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “no”. The “Ayes” had it for GCDP Executive Director Bess Lewis to fill D6 and D13 delegate vacancies.

TREASURER’S REPORT AND PRESENTATION OF AWARD

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick presented Treasurer James Bowles with an award from GCDP for his many years of outstanding service. GCDP Treasurer James Bowles reported, as of today, receipts were about \$6000.00 for the Chair’s Legislative Breakfast, about \$4000.00 for the Sustaining Fund, leaving a balance of \$19,305.00. Rent, so far, was \$5573.00. He answered questions and looked forward to handing over this position to the new GCDP Treasurer Leslie Holder Martin. GCDP Nicole Ward Quick thanked the precincts for their sustaining fund contributions. She announced the board will try to establish a building fund so as to allow funds to help candidates get elected. She asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. The motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the Treasurer’s Report.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND AWARDS

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick announced candidate for State Superintendent of Public Instruction Michael Mahr to speak. He said he worked in education in NC for 21 years.

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick presented Pam Stubbs with an award from GCDP for her extraordinary service for many years.

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick announced GCDP 2nd Vice Chair Adrienne Spinner, who is the Unity Dinner Chair for 2019. GCDP 2nd Vice Chair Adrienne Spinner said the Unity Dinner will be Saturday, September 14th, 2019 at the Sheraton Four Seasons with a celebration theme. Co-Chair is Heidi Fleshman. They are going green by inviting and accepting RSVP’s online. They will be diverse by promoting vendors who are people of color. The program will be streamlined, yet more exciting, to include presentation of candidates and perhaps a surprise. They are committed to a lower ticket price. She asked volunteers to sign up today for committees to help, or to sign up using the e-blast. She said this is the biggest fundraiser of the year to help keep our doors open. The goal is for increased participation. She answered questions.

GCDP PRECINCT RESOLUTIONS REPORT

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick turned the Resolutions Report over to Attorney Michele Smith and Larry Cormier, the Resolutions Committee. Attorney Michele Smith said the resolutions are what we stand for and are important. She thanked the precincts for their resolutions and said there are 55 resolutions from 23 precincts. The resolutions of like mind were combined to result in 39 resolutions and listed in 3 categories. Category A is, believed to be, supported resolutions. Category B has a resolution for discussion. In Category C, there are 8 resolutions to be returned to the precinct for more work and Larry Cormier will help those precincts. Please refer to the precinct packet.

Attorney Michele Smith read the titles of resolutions in Group A and directed the convention to raise their hand if they think a resolution should go to group B. She said this will allow the convention to vote on Group A by acclimation.

Those moved to Group B are resolutions:

A3. Resolution Calling For Members of the U.S. Congress to be Required to Hold Regular, Non-Prescreened, Town Hall Meetings in Their Districts, The Same to be Open to the Public for All Their Constituents

A6. Resolution in Support of the Abolition of the Electoral College

A9. Resolution in Support of an Amendment to the Constitution of the United States Providing that the Rights Extended by the Constitution are the Rights of Natural Persons Only

A15. Resolution in Support of a Ban on Single Use Plastics

A25. Resolution Calling for the Reduction of Public Tax Dollars Being Allocated for the Support of Charter Schools and Elimination of Vouchers for Tuition to Private Schools

Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the remaining Group A resolutions by acclimation. Attorney Michele Smith asked for those in favor to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “no”. The “Ayes” had it to accept Group A resolutions by acclimation. Attorney Michele Smith asked for those in favor to say “Aye” and those opposed to say “no”.

The “Ayes” had it to accept by acclimation:

A1. Resolution Calling for the Incumbent President and All Future Presidential Candidates to Release Their Personal Income Tax Returns to the Public for Scrutiny Prior to Being Eligible to Appear as a Candidate for the Office of the President of the United States on Any North Carolina Ballot

A2. Resolution Urging North Carolina’s U.S. Senators and Representatives to Pass Continuing Resolutions and End Government Shutdowns by the Executive Branch of the U.S. Government

A4. Resolution in Support of an Independent Commission for the Fair and Equitable, Non-Partisan, Redistricting N.C. Voting Maps

A5. Resolution to Oppose Partisan Gerrymandering, to Support Efforts of Common Cause and the League of Women Voters in Opposition to Partisan Gerrymandering and to Encourage the NCDP to Keep the Electorate Informed on This Issue

A7. Resolution in Support of Responsible Representation

A8. Resolution in Support of Legislative Transparency

A10. Resolution Calling for Access to Affordable and Effective Healthcare for All North Carolina Citizens

A11. Resolution in Support of “Medicare for All” Legislation

A12. Resolution in Support of Closing the Health Insurance Coverage Gap in North Carolina

A13. Resolution in Support of Keeping Elected Officials and Law Enforcement Accountable and Further Developing Local Communities for Long Term Democratic Party Success

A14. Resolution in Support of Reducing the Eviction Rate in Guilford County

A16. Resolution in Support of the Disability Integration Act HR 555 and S117

A17. Resolution Calling for Imposing Price Caps on Non-Current Research and Development Pharmaceutical Drugs

A18. Resolution Calling for Reasonable Gun Control and Banning Military Assault Type Rifles

A19. Resolution in Support of Protecting North Carolina’s Environment

A20. Resolution in Support of Rural Outreach

A21. Resolution in Support of Continuing Community Conversations

A22. Resolution in Support of a New Paradigm in Veteran’s Healthcare

A23. Resolution in Support of Banning Mandatory Pre-Dispute Arbitration Agreements from Contracts

A24. Resolution Calling for the Creation of Jobs Which Repair or Improve the Infrastructure of the U.S. A.

A26. Resolution in Support of the Reinstatement of Net Neutrality

A27. Resolution in Support of Ratification of the Equal Right Amendment

A28. Resolution in Support of Ending Jail Fees for Periods of Detention

A29. Resolution Encouraging North Carolina Local Government Entities to Promote 100% Clean Renewable Energy

A30. Resolution to Reaffirm “Resolution in Support of Fair Local Representation” by acclimation.

Michele Smith explained the rules and procedures for discussion of Group B Resolutions. Discussion for each resolution consists of 3 expressions for and 3 against the resolution in question. The person will step up to the mic, give their name, precinct, and reason for or against a resolution.

For Resolution A3: Michelle Hagar Cg3b said it belongs in Group A. David Southworth G27 said it encourages openness. David Hammond G41a said the legislature has tried to limit public contact and this resolution encourages it.

Against Resolution A3: Paul Greggar Nbri said openness may invite bad behavior. Edward Koahoana G12 said our Congress and State Officials already hold open town-halls.

Motion was made, seconded and passed to vote by acclamation. Michele Smith moved to vote on Resolution A3 by saying "Aye" or "Nay".

The "Ayes" had it to accept Resolution A3.

For Resolution A6: Elizabeth Keathley G47 spoke in favor. Linda Archer Ndr1 said it's fair to have one person, one vote. Leslie Holder Martin Or2 said the Electoral College is rooted in slavery and state disparity.

Against Resolution A6: Herbert Hendrickson Cg3b said a Constitutional change will take a very long time. Fred Holmes G43 (Francis Coyle G42b?) said 16 states will give their electoral votes to the popular vote. Linda Moore Fen2 said the Constitution Article2, Section 1 will need to be changed.

Motion was made, seconded and passed to vote by acclamation. Attorney Michele Smith moved for a vote of "Aye" or "Nay" for Resolution A6.

The "Ayes" had it to accept Resolution A6.

For Resolution A9: G48 _____ said that corporations shouldn't have the right to limit health care. Fr3 _____ said it already defines what a natural person is. Robert Foxworth G58 said we can substitute human being for natural person.

Against Resolution A9: Deborah Dean G61 questioned what a natural person was. Stephany Henley H29B said that one might consider natural as a non-natural person.

Point of order was made by H28(?) if this questions the rights of residents.

Attorney Michele Smith motioned to substitute natural person with human being.

Marge Villani Fr5a made point of information to question the technical meaning of the words and if natural person is a legal term. Changing the term may also change the meaning of the resolution.

Parliamentarian Attorney Michael Taliercio led the discussion about the meaning of the words natural person, human being, Citizen's United, and corporation. Seeing no more discussion, Parliamentarian Attorney Michael Taliercio asked for a motion to end debate. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to end debate.

Parliamentarian Attorney Michael Taliercio called for a vote on the amendment to strike the words natural persons and to substitute the words human beings. He asked all those in favor of the amendment say "Yes" and those opposed say "No". The "No's" had it and the amendment failed.

Attorney Michele Smith said all those in favor of Resolution A9 say "Aye" and those opposed say "No".

The "Ayes" had it and Resolution A9 was accepted.

For Resolution A15: Larry Cormier Fr2 said people forget the effects on the environment and animals. Susan Barnes G42 said 8 trillion tons of plastic are in the ocean. The needs of the handicapped are addressed in the resolution. Robert Rachal G31 said the needs of the handicapped are addressed in the resolution.

Against Resolution A15: Matt Stafford H21 said the handicapped need some single use plastic items as required by their IEP. They need it to buy cut fruit. Tyler Beall G64 said we need to listen to the handicapped and there are other issues to attack to improve the environment. We can save paper. Heidi McIver H23 said people ignore needs of the handicapped and they may be disenfranchised.

GCDP Chair Nicole War Quick made the motion to refer the resolution back to the precinct for clarification. She said this action is in effect in the European Union. With more research, we can put this language in the resolution for more clarity and to better address the protection of the handicapped. Motion was seconded.

Attorney Michele Smith asked if there is any discussion against the motion.

For the motion: Matt Stafford H21 said he has researched this and the metal straws are dangerous to the handicapped. We can still save the whales while addressing needs of the handicapped. Elijah Mears G44 said more research from the precinct will only make the resolution better.

Against the motion: Nelson Stover Fr4 said we can decide today. No one is thinking about the whales and fish. Marge Villani Fr5a said this resolution is a concept that will take time and we don't have time. Let Congressional Committees do the research. David Southworth G27 said we can tax containers.

Attorney Michele Smith said all those in favor say "Aye" and all those opposed say "No".

The "Ayes" had it and Resolution A15 will be put into Group C to go back to the precincts.

Parliamentarian Attorney Michael Taliercio answered questions. Resolutions in Group C can be resubmitted to the Resolution Committee next year. Michele Smith said that other counties might have submitted similar resolutions to ours. Larry Cormier Fr2 said that resolutions can go to the district with a 2/3rd vote, and Michele Smith said the resolution can come from the floor, then voted on.

Against Resolution A25: Mike Minchen H29B said the resolution should be broken into 2 parts to specify Special Education from Regular Education. There are 3 types of vouchers and it can be complicated.

For Resolution A25: Kathy Kirkpatrick G39 said the benefits are for those who can already afford to go and there have been false Special Ed ID diagnoses to obtain the permission. D6 School Board Khem Irby said public tax dollars are going into private hands. Honorable Dot Kearns H02 said the public tax dollars increase each year and charter or private schools don't need to abide by the same rules as public schools.

Attorney Michelle Smith asked for those in favor of the resolution say "Aye" and those against say "No". The "Ayes" had it and Resolution A25 is accepted.

Attorney Michelle Smith called for those speaking for and against Resolution B1 to come forward.

B1. Resolution in Support of Considering Nuclear Power

Against Resolution B1: Larry Cormier Fr2 said there is no way to dispose of nuclear waste and failures are catastrophic. Joyce Brinegar H21 said there is no cleanup or safety. The effects of waste can last for 30 years. Matt Stafford H21 said Duke Energy can't be relied upon to clean it up correctly.

For Resolution B1: Betsy Fox G33 said we are now advanced and this is an option to a cleaner environment. We can just take a look at it. David Hammond G41A said instead of more coal, we need to investigate this. The resolution doesn't say to implement it, but to investigate it.

Tiffany Hendley H29B made a motion to send Resolution B1 back to precinct G33. Kirkpatrick G39 seconded the motion. Attorney Michele Smith called for those against and in favor of the motion to come forward.

Against the motion: Tyler Beall G64 said the resolution starts the conversation, so no need to go back to the precinct. Betsy Fox G33 said she had done much research. Generations 3 and 4 are much better and the waste is used as an energy source. We can just look at it. David Southworth G27 said Duke is preventing solar and wind sources, and they try to own it all.

For the motion: D6 School Board Khem Irby said it just needs more clarity to use as one of many energy sources. Larry Cormier Fr2 said there is no way to stop a failure's degradation.

Attorney Michele Smith called a motion to vote, by count, not to send Resolution B1 back to precinct G33. Those voting for the motion were 47, and those against were 53. Votes of 53 had it against not sending back Resolution B1 to the precinct.

Marge Villani Fr5a asked for point of information. Do passed resolutions need to be resubmitted next year, if it is in the Party Platform? GCDP Chair Nicole Quick said to look at the Party Platform to see if the resolution was added. Attorney Michele Smith said that there have been reaffirmations by resubmitting resolutions. Larry Cormier Resolution Committee called for more volunteers to the committee.

Attorney Michelle Smith made motion to vote by acclamation on Group C resolutions.

A15. Resolution in Support of a Ban on Single Use Plastics

B1. Resolution in Support of Considering Nuclear Power

C1. A Minimum Wage of \$15 an Hour and Indexing it to Median Wage Growth Thereafter

C2. Fix our Broken criminal-Justice System

C3. Comprehensive Immigration Reform

C4. Progressive Tax Reform

C5. \$1 trillion Infrastructure Plan

C6. Lower the Price of Prescription Drugs

C7. Make Public Colleges and Universities Tuition-Free and Substantially Reduce Student Debt

C8. Expand Social Security

Attorney Michele Smith called for “Aye” in favor of acclamation or “No” if not in favor of acclamation. The “Ayes” had it and voting continued by acclamation.

Attorney Michele Smith made a motion to send resolutions A15, B1, C1- C8 back to their precincts for clarification. She asked for “Aye” in favor of sending Group C back to the precincts and “No” to not send back to the precincts. The “Ayes” had it and Group C resolutions A15, B1, C1-C8 will be sent back to their precincts. Larry Cormier Fr2 Resolution Committee said he will help.

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick thanked Larry Cormier and Attorney Michele Smith of the Resolution Committee, and Parliamentarian Attorney Michael Taliercio.

ADJOURNMENT

GCDP Chair Nicole Ward Quick called for a motion to adjourn. Motion was made, seconded and passed to adjourn the GCDP County Convention meeting of March 30, 2019 at 3:37 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted
Beverly Bard
GCDP Secretary

Nicole Ward Quick
GCDP Chair