



Guilford County Democratic Party Officer's Board

Meeting Agenda

December 12, 2022, at 6:30 pm (GCDP HQ)

Member's Present

- Binaya Ayril
 Beverly Bard
 Lori Brashers
 Celeste Cornelius
 Jess Eckler
 Ossie Edwards
 Deborah Ford
 Byron Gladden
 Brandon Gray
 Sharon Graeber
 Khem Irby
 Penny Johnson
 Katie Kirkpatrick
 Bess Lewis
 Jasmine O'Connell
 Pete Shaw
 Mitzi Turner
 BJ Gerald-Covington

Topic	Notes
Agenda Approval	Sharon motion; Lori 2nd
Approval of Minutes	Celeste motion; Lori 2 nd
Treasurer's Report	
Elected Officer's Reports	
Auxiliary Reports	
Announcements	
Upcoming Dates	12.15.2022 - African American Caucus Meeting 01.14.2023 @ 1 pm – MLK High Point Community Parade 01.16.2023 @ 11 am – Annual MLK Greensboro Parade 01.18.2023 @ 7 pm – MLK Day Celebration at Guilford College
MLK Day Celebration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion regarding the GCDP to participate in HP and GSO parades <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sharon motioned, Mitzi and BJ 2nd ○ Motion carried – 12 yes / 1 no • BJ – Table at the breakfast celebration. Motioned that GCDP has a table at breakfast. Will coordinate and put information in the e-blast. \$160 per table to be paid in person, first come first serve. Byron can purchase the table and coordinate reimbursement with Lori. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ BJ motioned, Byron 2nd ○ Motion carried – 13 yes
POO Complaint	Byron – Regarding the section of the POO regarding endorsements from Democrats Closed session Byron motion, BJ 2nd Motion carried – 13 yes Open session Katie motion, Byron 2nd Motion carried – 13 yes Motion - Designated party leaders of GCDP Officer's Board will meet with the identified organization from closed session to educate members and elected officials regarding the POO Byron motioned, BJ 2nd Motion carried – 13 yes



Election Debrief Findings	<p>Celeste – Wants to work more with the state. Get our faces in the community and let them know we’re available to serve while staying safe.</p> <p>Byron – Meet with elected officials regarding fundraising and coordination so we’re not doubling efforts. Bring the different groups to the table to engage and build expectations.</p> <p>BJ – Brainstorm to increase engagement and increase the involvement of individuals who can donate.</p>
Party Development	Topics below:
A. Precinct Organization	<p>Assistance from African American Caucus and other auxiliaries (Mitzi) Consolidation of smaller Dem precincts in rural areas (Mitzi)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mitzi – How can we move forward with assistance from the AA caucus? Reached out to elected officials for assistance, no response yet. • Celeste – Minority precincts fall apart because they feel neglected. We need stable leadership in those precincts. Possibly co-chair with others so that the burden does not fall on one person. • Byron – Strong disconnect comes from past leadership. Only mailing addresses were provided, however when we switched to electronic communication, we lost communication with many. Playing catch-up to rebuild database information. • Sharon – Provided approval from POO to assist with precincts, can create a clustered precinct if one officer from each precinct is present. Would be counted as separate precincts but would operate as one. • BJ – We start to lose people when everything is digital. “Reinvent the wheel” to make sure information is printed to recapture people who were once active to bring them back. • Katie – Start early and begin polling via email how people would like to be contacted and receive information. If not received in a certain time, then call people.
B. Voter Registration and Protection Team	
C. Service to Others Team	We would collect canned food and distribute in neighborhood.
D. Interfaith Caucus	Looking for volunteers to begin caucus again
E. Spanish Language Caucus	
F. Intra-party community building	<p>Similar to what the events committee is trying to do but create events to build community with fun events and reconnect.</p> <p>Bowling, skating, picnic, trampoline parks, baseball games</p> <p>BJ – Inquire if we can pass out flyers at the Greensboro Grasshoppers game</p>
Other	<p>Byron: Is there a cutoff for agenda items to be submitted? Katie: Call for agenda items goes out two weeks before the actual meeting and has been established since new leadership took over to create a more organized meeting. Exceptions can be made if the agenda item is of an emergent nature. Byron: Can an amendment to the agenda be made as the agenda is being approved? Katie: If the possibility to entertain an amendment is to be possible, we can add this topic to the next agenda.</p>
Adjourn	Khem motion, Byron 2nd