

Democratic Party of Benton County

Regular Meeting

August 10, 2020

Held via Zoom due to pandemic.

In Attendance: Lon Cross, Kelley Boyd, Ed Stacey, Kristi Dane, Christine Erwin-Jimenez, Jerry, Ronetta Francis, Suzanne Jessup, Suzanne Miltich, Walter Hinojosa, Alex Hawkins, Anna Good, Anna Knecht, April, Christine Bartell, David Hogberg, Barbara Hogberg, Gracie Ziegler, H. Merick, Jennifer Smith, Justice Thompson, Kate Schaffer, Lisa Low, Marianne Zotti, Melanie B. Hoskins, Nathan Crowder, Nicole Clowney, Suzanne Jessup, Kate Schaffer, Lupe Martinez, Jan Amann and Bud Amann, Melanie B. Hoskins, Deb, Carol Bobek

Kelley Boyd called the meeting to order at 6:35pm

Welcome

Business

Approval of the Minutes

Motion to accept the minutes made by Kelley Boyd

Seconded by Alex Hawkins

Treasurer's Report

July report compiled and given by Treasurer Lon Cross

Contact Lon Cross for more information at bentontreasurer@arkdems.org

Executive Committee Update

- Revamping job descriptions, and committees

Communications Committee – Lisa Low

- Announcing Gracie Ziegler as communications consultant

Candidates & Elections – Christine Erwin-Jimenez

- Lots of filings for city council, municipal
- Publishing new pages to DPBC about voter registration, links to voter information and candidate information

Data Committee – Kristin Webb

- Absentee Ballot request – 3100 processed absentee ballot in Benton County

Membership Committee – Maritza Munich

- Voter registration drive with League of Women Voters on Friday Aug. 21 & 22 9-1
- Sat. August 29 in Centerton Hall Park Gazebo

Program

Presentation: Gracie Ziegler new communications consultant

- Awareness
- Consistency
- Engagement
- Engage the Page: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram
- Ask your friends to like the DPBC pages

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/democraticpartybentoncounty>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/dpbcarkansas>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/bentonarkdems/?hl=en>

Speaker: Nicole Clowney introducing and Q&A with Ronetta Francis candidate for State Senate, District 1 <https://ronettafrancis.org/>

Announcements

- DPBC Meetup on Saturday at 10am; Email Kelly at benton@arkdems.org

- Walter Hinojosa - BC Dems (PAC) on Aug. 24, Zoom at Noon
 - Jon Comstock and Michael Bennett Speakers
 - County Clerk Betsy Spears will take about voter registration
 - Contact Julia bailey or David Bernstein for info
 - BC Dems Pac: <https://www.facebook.com/DemsinBC/>
 - Webpage: <https://www.bcdems.org/>
 - Sign up for their newsletter and you'll receive the Zoom info for meetings

- Carol Bobek – Appropriations have given \$ 9,600 to candidates
 - Applications for donations are due on Sept 1, available on website

Hal Shope made a motion to adjourn

Seconded by Anna Good

Adjourned