

Minutes

July 19, 2022, Birmingham Bloomfield Democratic Club at Beverly Park in Beverly Hills

Call to order by the Chair 7:00 p.m./Roll Call of Officers

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Debbie Rosenman. Officers present include: Debbie Rosenman (Chair), Emery Pence (Vice Chair), Gail Whitty (Treasurer), Charles Gaba (Corresponding Secretary), Corrinne Shoop (at-large).

Approval of Agenda: Discussion (Passed)

Approval of Minutes: Discussion (Passed)

Report of the Chair:

Chair Debbie Rosenman gave the following report:

Club Chair Report for July 19, 2022

How nice for us all to be together outside on a summer evening. Thank you all for coming out. This is a wonderful turnout.

We are just two weeks away from the August primary. Many of us have already voted absentee, and there are those of others who will be going to the polls on August 2nd. If you still have an absentee ballot at home, vote and mail it by tomorrow. Tomorrow is the last day to mail the absentee ballot. These ballots can also be taken to drop boxes in the community to make sure it is received and counted on time.

I want to bring to your attention another disturbing Supreme Court case yet to be decided. The United States Supreme Court decided to hear the case Moore vs. Harper. Moore vs. Harper is a North Carolina case involving Gerrymandering districts and the Independent Legislature Theory. As a reminder, this case could be heard as early as before the November election. The US Supreme Court is going to consider a change in the way Federal elections are being conducted. This would allow State Legislators conduct oversight on elections even if the Legislature's policies violate that State's Constitution. This case could provide a legal precedent for overriding the popular vote in elections in favor of state appointed electors. Now, you may recall that Donald Trump attempted to undermine the popular vote in favor of state appointed electors to circumvent the people's choice during the 2020 election.

The 36 states with Republican-controlled Legislatures could attempt to pass election day legislation and give state lawmakers, not courts, authority to resolve disputes after the election. This makes it more important than ever that Michigan flip the House and the Senate in November.

Supporting Jeremy Moss' "Moss PAC" and Mallor McMorrow's For a Better Michigan PAC would be great.

Treasurer's Report: Gail Whitty gave the Treasurer's Report.

Precinct Delegate Committee Report by Allen Wolf:

We had an amazing petition drive effort which was worked on by a lot of the Precinct Delegates. We are confident that the Reproductive Freedom and Promote the Vote initiatives will be on the ballot in November. Secure the Vote and My Right to Vote did not make it on the ballot; however, they are collecting signature and are working on 2024. We collected close to 800,000 signatures for

Reproductive Freedom. Promote the Vote was a little bit more difficult to explain to registered voters. Mini-VAN video is available just ask Allen.

September 17, 3:00pm is an important date for PDs. Meeting will be held at this spot to kick off election efforts. We anticipate printing 20,000 pieces of literature at 20,000 homes out of 28,000 in our club area. Literature will be available at this meeting for PDs. A lot of candidates will be there that day as well, we are expecting. The Democratic One Campaign is also looking for volunteers. DPDOC trainings for PDs are also available. Canvassing training is available also. Go to DPDOC.org. Go to BBDems.org to view info on the candidates. August 16 meeting is the next meeting. Nametags for PDs are available just ask Allen.

Chair Debbie Rosenman introduced Emery Pence to speak about our Student Intern program and the Postcard Warriors Committee.

Postcard Warriors' Committee Report by Emery Pence:

Postcards are very effective in getting the voter turnout needed in our elections. These cards go to people who are indetermined about voting in November and you have until October to send them out. The program is called Postcards for Swing States.

Also, in addition OCDP Phil Hart Dinner is Friday, September 9 and we can get another table if enough people show interest for a third table.

Chair Debbie Rosenman introduced Christine Greig to speak about MI List and My Good Guys. She explained about their endorsement programs for candidates who support Pro-Choice and Reproductive Rights. Then she mentioned those running in our club area who they have endorsed. Senators Mallory McMorrow (Sen.8) and Jeremy Moss (Sen.7) and Representative Samantha Steckloff (HD19) along with House candidate Sharon MacDonell (HD 56)

Chair Debbie Rosenman introduced Amanda Esquivel, Legislative Lead for South Oakland Mom's Demand Action for gun violence prevention. She explained their endorsement process for Gun Sense Candidates. These candidates running in our club area have achieved a Gun Sense Candidate distinction: Senators Mallory McMorrow (Sen.8) and Jeremy Moss (Sen.7) and Representative Samantha Steckloff (HD19) along with House candidate Sharon MacDonell (HD 56), Noah Arbit (HD20) and Shadia Martinia (HD54)

Chair Debbie Rosenman introduced Oakland County Clerk Lisa Brown to talk about home title protection. She also talked about the security of our elections in Oakland County.

Good and Welfare:

Kelly Dillaha – Fems for Dems – Fems for Dems will merge with Red, Wine, and Blue. Join the Michigan Group at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/169644860176565>

Gary Gerson – Running for HD 54 Bloomfield Hills and Bloomfield Township, Lake Orion and Auburn Hills

Gabriel Ervin– Running for Beverly Hills Village Council

Sharron McDonnell – Running for State Rep. in HD 56 and the primary is contested

Natalie Price – Berkley City Council Member – Running for State Rep. in HD 5

Debbie Rosenman – August 16 meeting will include education candidates. Also, Voter Protection Team representatives will join us. Additionally, a plan will be developed likely with OCDP on signs.

The next meeting is Tuesday, August 16 at Bloomfield Township Hall at 6:30pm.

List of Members Present:

Prasanth Balusu	Michael McKeown
Barbara Borden	Maxine Mondshine
Margaret Brooks	Bob Nicholson
Lisa Brown	Ryan Olds
Maureen Christensen	Diana Pagotto
Danny Craig	Lisa Peers
Kelly Dillaha	Mary Perfitt-Nelson
Lisa Efros	Natalie Price
Gabe Efros	Myles Rich
Gabriel Ervin	Andy Ross
Amanda Esquivel	Bridget Schipper
Debra Gerring	Lisa Schwartz
Gary Gerson	Cynthia Shaw
Christine Greig	Dina Shargabian Staber
Sandy Hansell	Marti Szilagy
Chris Kaye	Luther Taylor
Beata Lamparski	Judith Toth
Diana Lopez Negrete	Jill Wiesenberger
Diane Luscombe	Juergen Wiesenberger
Linda MacDonell	Allen Wolf
Linda Mahanic	Linda Zlotoff
Roger Mahanic	Connie Zorn
Jennifer Matlow	(50 TOTAL)

Motion to adjourn. Adjourned, 8:24 p.m.

Duly Submitted,

Andrew Corey, Recording Secretary