

# February 12th, CARROLL COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

2024

The Carroll County Democratic Central and Executive Committee met on this date at the Carroll County District Library chair, at 6:00 pm. Committee chair, Tom Postlethwait, called the meeting to order. Dave Devey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ATTENDANCE: (14 +3) QUORUM:** Tim Bille, Mary Ann Bryan, Dave Devey, Sarah Dyck, Linda Farmer, Valerie Gardner, Sandy Ledford, Janice Marciniak, Ron Mayle, Ray Morgenstern, Terri Ossler, Tom Postlethwait, Paula Puch, and Valerie Wohlwend were present. At large members: Jim Gardner and Liz Moser Elected official: Bill Wohlwend  
Guest: None

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Janice Marciniak, our representative to Columbiana Women’s Caucus reported that the group wants volunteers to gather signatures for causes; gerry mandering and support of the group; Citizens not Politicians. Discussion was held. It was decided that we gather signatures when both groups have the petitions. Hence gathering signatures in a single opportunity for multiple petitions.
- ODP has made endorsements of specific candidates before the primary and listed who we can endorse.
- Tom P. received a mailing from a Josh Emerson of Impact Team Universe.Vote. He helps counties query a specific demographic of voters that need targeted.
- ODP is recommending candidates to flip the state Supreme Court Justices. See [ohiodems.org](http://ohiodems.org)

**SECRETARY’S REPORT:** A **motion** was made by Dave Devey and seconded by Ray Morgenstern to accept the digital minutes provided to committee members. **Motion** passed.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** Treasurer’s report was presented by Linda Farmer. She explained the audit conducted by Cheri Whipkey at the county Board of Elections. There was an overage of \$200 in the checking account that was not accounted for in the minutes of any of the meetings. Paula Puch made a **motion** to accept the balance in the checking account as the official balance as a result of the audit done by Cheri Whipkey. Motion seconded by Tim Bille. **Motion** passed. The ending balance for January was \$6,487.52. There were no transactions in January. Balance as of February 12th was \$6,672.52 in the general fund. Balance in the special fund was \$97.03. **Motion** to accept the report was made by Terri Ossler, seconded by Sarak Dyck. **Motion** passed.

**BILLS: NONE**

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- The Treasurer prepared a proposed budget from records of credit/debit from previous years.
- Tom P. provided proposals for billboard candidate advertising. Paula Puch has suggested that we have a “Sponsor a Day on the Billboard “ to defer costs. We suggest a donation of

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\$10/billboard day and have a large calendar the folks can sign up for at the BBQ. The sponsor could have their name on the Face Book page.

Much discussion was focused on the number and cost of billboards. Valerie Wohlwend **motioned** for 1 billboard. She then amended her motion after the discussion. Val's **motion** states: there will be 2 billboards; billboard #1 will be paid by the committee not to exceed \$1000, billboard #2 will be paid by contributions from committee members. The billboard will be in place for 8 weeks. Terri Ossler seconded the **motion**. **Motion** passed.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- BBQ Committee chair, Tom Postlethwait presented a **motion** to raise the ticket price to \$15. **Motion** was seconded by Sarak Dyck. **Motion** passed. BBQ subcommittee is having every committee member sell a mandatory 10 tickets.
- Valerie Gardner reported that the County Board of Elections is functioning well.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER:** Janice Marciniak expressed the idea that we need to be more intentional with where we spend our time and money. Treasurer reported that the budget subcommittee will meet 30 minutes before the start of the meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 1<sup>st</sup> Tim Bille 2<sup>nd</sup> Dave Devey

**NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, March 11th, 2024 6 pm at the CARROLL COUNTY DISTRICT LIBRARY** on Second St. in Carrollton. **Budget** meets 30 minutes prior.

**Notes respectfully submitted by Paula Puch, Secretary**