

Johnson County Democratic Party Committee Meeting Minutes
● November 7, 2017 ●

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Chair William McIntyre at 7:05 PM. Allegiance to Flag of the Republic pledged by all present. A sign-sheet was circulated. 14 in attendance (two of whom joined just after call to order).

Reports

Motion by Vanessa to accept and approve minutes of Oct 3rd meeting as presented by Secretary Haas. Seconded by Laura, passed, following no discussion, by voice vote with none opposed.

Treasurer Shell presented his report. Since last meeting, one payment went out to Dreamhost \$13.95 for one year registration of domain name. \$45.00 donation at last meeting. Current balance stands at \$1953.83. Motion by Greg to approve Treasurer's report, seconded by Will Cox. Passed.

Old Business

Chairman McIntyre made several announcements about state democratic party, including Dean Ferguson, the new executive at the state, who will be joining JC Dems at next month's regularly scheduled meeting. Today is one year from the 2018 elections.

Vanessa announced several negative influences resulting from funding cuts by the current US Administration. Vanessa suggested JC Dems facilitate public educational campaign. Discussion followed. Vanessa said the navigator will be in Buffalo again on Dec. 1 at the Mini and at the Library. Vanessa will share confirmed dates, times and locations with Greg to be included in the next email to the JC Dems. Laura moved that JC Dems spend up to \$300 for posters and for ad in the Buffalo Bulletin to promote attendance with the ACA navigators in December. Seconded by Kay. Discussion about: 1) less expensive alternatives, 2) plusses/minuses of the motion, 3) including other publications, such as the Kaycee Voice. Vote was called, motion passed, with one vote opposed. Laura agreed to coordinate creation and publication of the ad and posters then share those with Chair for possible placement in Kaycee Voice.

State meeting summer of 2018: Joe Barbuto will request state executive committee schedule for May 12, thereby allowing for seven weeks to pass before a late June meeting in Buffalo. JC Dems may have to accommodate a less preferred date to have the state party committee hold a meeting in Buffalo. Will Cox moved to request June 30, 2018. Seconded by Lois. Motion carried unanimously.

Group revisited idea of having visitors, guest speakers, at meetings. Sheila brought up guns, and gun culture in Wyoming as topics she's interested in discussing. There were several other ideas fielded as well. Chair said he would entertain offers from the floor to form a sub-committee to arrange, schedule and advertise for thematic topics and/or guest speakers. Chair will contact Chris and Sheila to collaborate on this action. No motion made.

Lois Petersen reported on Johnson County efforts currently underway to support Wyoming Promise's ballot initiative petition. This was an educational presentation about these efforts. There was a discussion about the history of Constitutional amendments and concerns about a run-away convention. The concern was addressed with information from Wyoming Promise. JC has collected about 120 signatures. There will be news publications and other media bringing information about this topic to the public pretty heavily next week. Much as been done, much is still needed.

<https://county16.net/wpjc> has more information.

New Business

No new business and so Chris moved for adjournment. V seconded. Motion passed, meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.