

General Meeting Minutes January 21, 2023 10 AM – 11 AM

1. Call to Order

The Clark County Democratic Women General Meeting for January 21, 2023 began at 10:05 a.m. and was presided over by President Della Graham, and Celeste Dimichina as Secretary recording meeting minutes.

Attendees

Voting members in attendance included:
Della Graham – President
Wendy Bukoski – First Vice President
Katie Davidson – Second Vice President
Kate Fernald – Treasurer
Celeste Dimichina – Secretary
Chrystal Jones
Patricia O'Bannon
Marsha Manning

2. Icebreaker

Each person shared a comment about their most memorable vacation.

3. Approval of Agenda and November 19, 2022 Meeting Minutes

- a. A motion to approve the meeting agenda was made by Kate Fernald and seconded by Marsha Manning. The motion was carried unanimously.
- b. A motion to approve the Nov. 19, 2022 meeting minutes was made by Marsha Manning, and seconded by Kate Fernald. The motion was carried unanimously.

4. Chair's Report

- a. Membership is Due!
- b. We have 9 paid members to date.
- c. You need to be a paying member for 60 days to be able to vote on motions.

5. Treasurer's Report

a. Treasurer, Kate Fernald shared the treasurer's report: Beginning balance at the start of 2023 was \$4,316.20 - \$49.00 was received. Expenditures of \$15.96 for Zoom and \$7.55 for credit card fees. Ending balance is \$4,341.69

6. Old Business

- Introduction of 2023-2024 Executive Board
 Each board member introduced themselves and shared why they decided to be on the CCDW board
 - i. President Della
 - ii. First Vice President Wendy Bukoski
 - iii. Second Vice President Katie Davidson
 - iv. Treasurer Kate Fernald
 - v. Secretary Celeste Dimichina

7. New Business

- a. President, Della Graham led a high clip discussion surrounding the Strategic Planning for the next two years and our mission and vision. We plan to share in more detail at our March 2023 meeting. We want to get input from our membership as we develop this, specifically on two topics:
 - i. Membership We are looking to grow membership so we have the numbers to get Democratic women elected. This includes staffing our committees and getting more volunteers. We will be sending out a survey to members to gain feedback on Methods to Grow Membership
 - ii. Meeting Topics We also want to be respectful of everyone's time and make sure our meeting topics are engaging and relevant. We will also be sending out a survey to our members to collect feedback for meeting needs and topics.
- b. Motion to amend General Meetings day and time
 - i. President, Della Graham discussed the need to be more inclusive to families with kids, and to encourage work/life balance and to keep weekends free for everyone, we discussed changing the meetings from Saturday mornings, to an evening during the work week.
 - Chrystal Jones motioned to amend the general meeting day/time, and Marsh Manning seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
 - a. General meetings will be every other month January, March, May, July, September, November.
 - b. Board meetings will be every other month February, April, June, August, October, December.
 - ii. We are still looking for a location to hold meetings. Logistics. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions, please put them in the chat.
- c. Motion to Establish Committees
 - i. President, Della Graham discussed the need to establish five committees in 2023:

- 1. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- 2. Endorsement
- 3. Welcoming
- 4. Fundraising/Scholarship
- 5. Bylaws
- ii. Kate Fernald motioned to approve the committees and Katie Davidson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
- d. President, Della Graham, appointment of Committee Chairs & Members
 - i. Endorsement Katie Davidson
 - 1. Marsha Manning & Wendy Bukoski
 - 2. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Jeannine Mills
 - 3. Welcoming Chrystal Jones & Wendy Bukoski
 - 4. Fundraising/Scholarship Chrystal Jones
 - 5. Bylaws Wendy Bukoski

8. Announcements and Good of the Order

- a. President, Della Graham shared the next local Democratic meetings (see organizations for location/type):
 - i. 49th LD Tuesday, Jan. 24, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m.
 - ii. 17th LD Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2023 @7 p.m.
 - iii. Clark County Democrats Monday, Feb. 13, 2023 @7 p.m.
 - iv. 18th LD Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2023 @7 p.m.
 - v. Clark County Democrats Executive Board Monday, Feb. 20, 2023 @7 p.m.
 - vi. Young Democrats Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2023 @7 p.m.
- b. Next CCDW General Member Meeting TBD

9. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.