

MEETING MINUTES - APPROVED

**Kendall County Democratic Party Executive Committee
1:30 – 3:20 pm Democratic Party Headquarters
June 7, 2018**

CEC Officers

X	Kevin Henning	County Chair
X	Stephan Rogers	Secretary (Precinct 4100 Captain)
X	Peg Layton	Treasurer
X	Laura Bray	Outreach/Publicity
X	Les Freund	Webmaster
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sarah Gonzalez	Social Media
X	Gloria Villanueva	Elections
X	Judy Dewey	Research
X	Brooke Orr	Events (Precinct 3060 Captain Designee)

Precinct Chairs & Captains

<input type="checkbox"/>	Clare Meek	Precinct 1010
<input type="checkbox"/>	Susan Dollar	Precinct 1110
X	Joellen DeBerg	Precinct 2020
<input type="checkbox"/>	Allison Beam	Precinct 2080
X	Richard Caldwell	Precinct 2120
	Vacant	Precinct 3030
X	Julie Jones	Precinct 3040
X	Brooke Orr	Precinct 3060 Captain
X	Janice Ballard	Precinct 4050 Chair Designee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sandy Speed	Precinct 4070 Captain Designee
X	Peggy Layton	Precinct 4100

Guests

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of 5/3/18 CEC Meeting **APPROVED** with changes – Unanimous

Welcome & Introduction:

Kevin announces that Gloria Villanueva will assist with elections training. He met with Staci Decker, Kendall County Elections Administrator, to discuss issues with the election. Many people did not know where to vote, and there was a problem with the e-poll books at the Precinct 4100 site. Anyone who favors the county adopting all-county voting should write a letter of support to Staci.

RC pointed out sign placement issues, KH says RC should feel free to discuss with Staci.

KH says he is trying to build a long-term organization that will be self-sustaining and “live forever.” A lot of information has been made available, and precinct chairs and captains need to recruit volunteers! Our main purpose is to find all the Democrats in Kendall County and get them to the polls. KH invites new ideas going forward.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of New Precinct Chairs and Administrative Positions:

RC moved to confirm the following designees to fill precinct chair and captain positions and positions on the CEC:

Clare Meek	Precinct 1010 Chair
Janice Ballard	Precinct 4050 Chair
Sandy Speed	Precinct 4070 Captain
Brooke Orr	Precinct 3060 Captain and CEC Event Chair
Judy Dewey	CEC Research Chair
Gloria Villanueva	CEC Elections Chair

The motion was **APPROVED** by unanimous vote.

The confirmed designees took the Oath of Affiliation.

The following positions are still open:

Precinct 3030 Chair
Co-Chair for Voter Registration

KH discusses difference between precinct chairs and captains.

Review and Approve GOTV Goals and Action Plan - LB

Laura discusses documents available on Google Drive, link sent out to the group. Training materials prepared by the state party are available, including a new module for precinct chairs. LB presents the Precinct Chair Manual and goes through its sections.

Kevin states that National Registration Day is 4th Tuesday in September (9/25/18).

Laura states we will be able to check VAN halfway through the early voting period to see who has not voted. During the election season, VAN should be updated every night. Laura will be conducting VAN training in the office, contact her to schedule and bring your iPad or laptop.

Julie suggesting manning a voting registration table at new teacher orientation, and coordination with union representatives. She states that government teachers are generally good at getting young adults to register.

Commitment to Vote Form - KH

Kevin discusses use of commitment cards during GOTV canvassing, a two-part form and a reminder to vote will be sent out by the state party. Need to make sure we cover new neighborhoods. BO mentions use of Next Door App to connect with Democrats.

Slate Card/Approve Printing Cost – KH

He wants canvassers to have a Commit to Vote form and a Slate Card informing voters about the slate of candidates.

Peggy points out that some places the houses are not close to each other and block walking is not feasible, probably will have to use mail to provide the materials to residents. Judy says she will look into bulk postal rates at the USPS.

Kevin wants to order printing of 5,000 slate cards, at a cost of about \$400. **APPROVED** by unanimous vote.

Hustle, Voter Circle and Social Media – KH

Discussion of Hustle and Voter Circle. Dems are getting texts from Beto through the Hustle program – costs the campaign 5 cents per text. Brooke says she was not impressed with the program, problems with data accuracy. Voter Circle allows you to go through the directory by name and find the Democrats in your precinct.

Suggestion that large signs be placed in key intersections – reminding voters to register. Discussion of getting T-shirts made that say “Your Friendly Neighborhood Democrat.” Also suggested that taking a dog loosens people up and attracts attention.

Thoughts on Being a Precinct Chair - JJ

Julie stresses the importance of networking with the other PCs and meeting the Democrats in your precinct in person.

Website - LF

The website will be www.KendallTXDems.org. Les has been looking at other websites for guidance and inspiration. Montgomery County has a really good one. He will work out an outline of the website’s structure and pages. Also will put up a Facebook page.

July Social Event - BO

Brooke is working on an after-hours social event for a Thursday later this month.

Runoff Election Results and Suggestions - GV

Gloria discusses her experience working for Bob Bullock, and discusses election training.

Treasurer's Report - PL

Peggy reports \$3,828.29 in the bank. Kevin says he signed lease for 5 months.

Chamber Liaison – Amy Lambiase - KH

Amy Lambiase has agreed to serve as liaison to the Greater Boerne Chamber of Commerce. The Boerne Area Democrats paid for the party's membership, THANK YOU!

Approval to Print KCDC Push Cards and other printing - KH

Discussion of having push cards printed, and perhaps business cards. Magnets?

TDC Convention Update - KH

Discussion of upcoming state convention, activities and schedule.

Approved as amended by unanimous vote at the CEC's regular meeting on July 5, 2018.

// Stephan B. Rogers, Secretary