

FREMONT COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY
DRAFT MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

September 16, 2023, at 11 am

Maureen Donohoue, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:11 am

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. Participants introduced themselves.

Standing Business and Reports

Secretary's Report/Minutes:

Secretary Peg Palmer presented the minutes of the July 2023 meeting. They were accepted by all present.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Bruce Palmer reported a General Account checking balance of \$1,355.24 as of 9/15/2023. The Scholarship Fund balance as of the same date is \$525.05.

New Business:

Community Issues/Identification/Priorities

- Wyoming Healthcare issues needing to be addressed include Medicaid expansion and funding for mental health care across the state. All attendees were encouraged to join the Better Wyoming Statewide call scheduled for 10/5/2023.
- The Riverton Peace Mission has identified the need for a homeless shelter in Fremont County. A survey will be conducted to determine public support for this project.
- Public support for school funding addressed through litigation is needed.
- Barb Oakleaf proposed that the FCDP sponsor a speaker forum for individuals who are working on literacy issues in Fremont County. Committee members to plan this event are Barb Oakleaf, Chessie Lee and Maureen Donohoue. An ad will be placed on the FCDP website inviting all interested Dems and citizens-at-large to participate in the planning of the event. The committee will report the game plan to the rest of the group at the next meeting.

Old Business:

FCDP picnic- The picnic in August was at the Haper's home and was attended by 35 people. It was felt that it was a very worthwhile event.

September State Central Committee meeting report- Mary and Rod Haper attended the SCC meeting and reported that 50 statewide Dems attended. The state party will assist the county parties as they develop their strategic plans, goals and timelines. The state party will conduct training on fund raising, candidate recruitment, voter registration, safety and precinct chair training.

Scholarship Update- Patrick Lawson is the chair of the scholarship committee. Maureen will contact committee members Sue Bell-Milbey and Evelyn Griffen to check if they wish to continue to participate on the committee. Committee members will discuss the scholarship program and scholarship criteria and present the criteria at the January monthly meeting.

FCDP website announcements- Barb Oakleaf made a motion to advertisement the monthly meeting on the website as the Fremont County Democratic Club monthly meeting. Mary Haper seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Adjournment/Upcoming Schedule

The meetings for November and December are cancelled.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:53pm.

Respectfully submitted by Peg Palmer- FCDP secretary