

Rutland County Democrats Executive Committee
February 12, 2025, 6:05 - 6:30 p.m.
Zoom Meeting

Present: Barbara Noyes-Pulling, Scott Garren, Eugenia Cooke, Carol Wright, Tom Fagan, Julian Fenn (guest) , (quorum)

Welcome - 6:05 p.m. - Barbara called the meeting to order and welcomed all.

Approval of the Agenda - The agenda was sent out in advance. Eugenia moved to approve the agenda. Carol seconded the motion. Agenda approved.

Secretary's Report/Approval of the Minutes (November 13, 2024) - The minutes were sent out in advance. Eugenia moved to approve the minutes from Nov. 13, 2024. Tom seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report - Scott gave an abbreviated report. Almost no activity since the last report. Balance is good for this point in time. Balance of \$4,731.49 through January 2025. Discussion of partial security deposit received from the HQ rental. Amount received was \$990.00. Barbara will contact the landlord and offer thanks for the space and hopes for the remaining deposit amount. Eugenia moved to present the report to the County Committee for approval. Scott seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Review RCDC Priorities for 2025 - Barbara and Mary are proposing a list of priorities for this calendar year:

Jan., Feb., and March - Offer assistance to Rutland Forward prior to Town Meeting. There was a session on Saturday (2/8) to work on mailings for Rutland Forward candidates. Other opportunities will probably come up, such as another mailing, canvassing, and honk & waves. Details will be forthcoming.

Fill some of the Executive Committee openings - We need 2 delegates and a Recording Secretary. Carol is filling in for now.

April and May - Appeal letters. Reenergize Ex. Com. and also Rutland City Committee. Find other ways to connect with Rutland First and Young Dems.

June - August - Work on Reorg process. Tom attended Vote Builder training. He would like to continue as long as it fits his schedule.

Refocus on Social Media - Facebook administrator is in the DC area. Website also needs some work. Carla Ross may be able to help us.

Focus on seed money for candidate training (also part of the appeal letter).

Sept., Oct., Nov. - Reorganization of town committees. Find candidates, mentoring and training.

Other discussion - Rutland Forward - Eugenia attended the last meeting and said it was very impressive. Tom agreed to be our main liaison with Rutland Forward.

VDP Chair Race - Barbara said there are two candidates. The state delegates will vote on the chair.

3/12 - Next Ex. Com. meeting.

4/11 - Curtis Hoff Dinner in Essex Junction. We are trying to get Mary Mellow an award. We will try to get a Rutland table.

Motion to adjourn made by Tom; seconded by Scott. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Wright
Interim Recording Secretary