

Rutland County Democrats Executive Committee

Zoom Meeting

May 10, 2021, 7:05 p.m. – 7:32 p.m.

Present: Heather Juliussen-Stevenson, Eugenia Cooke, Carol Wright, Allie Breyer

Meeting called to order by Heather at 7:05 p.m.

Old Business

Treasurer's Report: no report.

Secretary's Report: Minutes from Executive Committee Meeting of March 8, 2021, were sent in advance for the committee to review. Carol made a correction to the March report regarding the date of the last minutes (January 11, 2021). Motion to approve March minutes with correction made and seconded. Motion approved.

New Business

1. Fundraising Letter – Heather reported that she and Kathy have finished a first pass of the letters. There are 60 left. Carol and Eugenia will address envelopes and write messages on 20 letters each.
2. Statement of Inclusion – The Statement has passed in Rutland and Brandon. Discussion of Rutland County Democrats passing the Statement of Inclusion. The Statement will be warned at a public meeting prior to voting.
3. Movie by Maine artist Natasha Mayers – Mary D. has suggested screening the movie “An Un-Still Life” as a fundraiser. Kathy previously sent us the link: <https://natashamayers.org>

Discussed working with a group of artists on posters and art installations around Rutland County. Need someone with connections to the art community to help.

4. Deep Canvassing – Mary D. is interested in deep canvassing. Discussion of techniques—Stacy Abrams was successful, involves listening to the community instead of campaigning for a candidate. Liz has recommended using leaflets printed as post-it notes to leave on peoples' doors. Heather has purchased these before. We could focus on places where we have had difficulty engaging with the public. Good way to connect with new residents. Heather will send us information on Indivisible's Deep Canvassing training.
5. Rutland County Democrats Reorganization – Heather will not be running for Chair and Liz won't be re-running for Vice Chair. Discussed finding good leaders.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Wright, Recording Secretary