

MVDDC Committee Meeting Minutes

December 18, 2018

Officer Reports

- Chair
 - Introductions
 - Voted in New Members
 - Sara Dillich
 - Shellie Mayers-McKinney
 - FCDC January 22 meeting will bring forth several motions for membership; Nominating Committee for candidates looking at fees, rules, deadlines. Kate Spears is our representative.
 - New Vice-Chair for Communications Rachel Buczynski is hard at work already. At the January 15 MVDDC meeting she will be sharing a new Intranet site.
- Secretary – November 20 Minutes distributed by email. If anyone has any issues, please let us know. Minutes were approved.
- Treasurer – Not present. No report.
- Precinct Operations – Vice-Chairs for North and Middle attended. No reports.
- Outreach – No report.
- Standing Committee Reports –
 - FCDC Women’s Committee – Sherry Dana reported. Both she and Sarah Jernigan are on this committee. Chair Kathy Grover getting motions ready for ERA. Suffragette Memorial may want to work with FCDC. Dan Lagana also asked Kathy to work on Code of Conduct since no committee established for this & bring to FCDC. She has contacted other areas, looked at what Young Democrats have done, and has provided requested input. Lawyers looking at as well. Would also like LGBTQ input.

Old Business

- Lexalynn Hooper – Shared language for at meeting. Simple, forthright language. Only two people had adverse comments. Ad Hoc Committee will get together for FCDC in January. All our representatives – state and national will receive this.

New Business

- Mardi Gras – February 23. Will be at MVUC again. This was a good venue last year. Signed contract for MVUC and for DJ. Need a lot of support. Asking for volunteers. Asked members if they can take on portion of the event please volunteer to be on Sub-Committee for Mardi Gras.
- Communications – Rachel reported. Rachel has set up schedule for communications and deadlines to get information out. We need to support Rachel with these deadlines

to get information out according to schedule. Submission date for notices for next MVDDC meeting is January 6. Will also be doing some special emails such as Mardi Gras. Working on other communication avenues too.

- Sherry Dana discussed the work of the Center for Improving Women's Lives. More than 1/3 of Fairfax County calls for shelter are from the Mount Vernon area. Have done fundraisers to assist County Shelter. She will be collecting items and can provide receipts or make stops to pick up. Need household items like pots and pans, household cleaners, new pillows, other contributions. Gently used. No used clothes, sheets, shoes.
- Mary Paulet – Soil & Water Conservation District candidate. Unpaid position. Described her vision. NSF funded researched. Green certified real estate agent. Wants to make S&W District a force multiplier working in partnerships. Not taking Dominion money or fossil fuel money. Endorsed by Mark Hanson. Mary4Fairfax.com.
- Steve Descano – Candidate for Fairfax County Commonwealth's Attorney. Running for Democratic nomination on June 11. Involved with FCDC last 4 years. Was a federal prosecutor during Obama administration. Wants to ensure our values are represented. Community, equality and justice are values needed. Need to bring this to people of Fairfax County. End Cash Bail – problematic for poor. Need robust pre-trial services if get rid of Cash Bail. Left information cards – Steve.Descano.com
- Matthew Renninger – Karlee made announcement on his behalf since Matthew could not be at meeting. Working with Rodney Lusk for Lee District Supervisor. Announcing his campaign this week. His web site & Facebook site will be live this week. Looking for volunteers for events, door knocking, etc. Matt is running his campaign. Email Karlee and she will put in touch with Matt.

Reports from Electeds:

Paul Krizek - Delegate 44th District. Historic year ahead. Optimistic with more Democratic leaning Districts. Invited members to come down to Richmond. Short session. Discussed redistricting court case. Budget impact of Internet sales providing more state funding. Boards have big impact, let him know if interested.

- Open House at his home on December 29 between Noon and 5 pm.
- Mount Vernon Town Meetings – January 19 6-8 pm at Walt Whitman and Noon at Hayfield.
- Round Table with Sickles in Franconia area – in Krizek's email.
- Road to Richmond

Dan Storck - Put together Environmental Expo on December 10. Good event. Have a great group of Mount Vernon folks involved as Advisory Committee championing these issues. Littering one of major issues. Big Turnout and likely to hold in Fall again. Tour of Mount Vernon – 150 riders – great event with big turnout. Started from Workhouse.

Held Open House in his office on December 6. Members can sign up for newsletter. January – On schedule to open domestic violence shelter in this area. Will have 30 beds. Good location but cannot disclose for safety reasons. For family and individuals. Have

had County services but no shelter. Ad Hoc group of people have pushed Count to establish a shelter.

Discussed work of Lisa Sales – local coordinator for ERA Amendment in VA. Working to make Virginia the 38th State. Have only 900 signatures from Northern Virginia. Want people to step us. January 8 looking to bring petition forward. Circulated spreadsheet for Petition to support ERA.

Dan Storck had his election Kickoff. Supporting Jeff McKay in his campaign and also Rodney Lusk who has been a senior leader for economic redevelopment.

Dan Storck provided handouts and material for events and activities he described to members.