

June 2021 Membership Meeting Notes

Chair Report

- Call to Order Meeting was called to order at 7:06pm
- Procedures Used
- Approval of the Minutes – Minutes were approved
- Welcome
 - When elected or candidates arrive they will be allowed to speak [?]
- New Members
 - Austin Houck (Hollin Hall)
 - Dolores Brown (Kirkside)
 - Sherron Fantauzzi (Laurel Hill)
 - Eric-Michel Sossou-Gloh (Westgate)
 - Peyton Diotalevi (Westgate)
 - Motion to accept the new members was made by Kate Spears and Seconded by Chris Ambrose
 - P. Ononiwu’s application was tabled pending contact with her.
- Speakers “The Golden Age of the Mount Vernon District”
 - Jim Moran – Former U.S. Representative (VA 8) 1991 - 2015
 - Gerry Hyland – Former Mount Vernon District Supervisor 1988 - 2015

Officer Reports

- Secretary (Kate Spears)
- Finance (Matthew Bell)

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- Treasurer (Sarah Jernigan)
 - Balance on hand May 1st, 2021 \$32,376.95
 - Income:** \$
 - Disbursements:** **\$150.36**
 - Precinct Operations- Copy \$ 40.50
 - Administration- Zoom \$ 7.59
 - Administration- Constant Contact \$ 50.27
 - Administration- Storage Unit \$ 52.00
 - Balance on Hand May 31st, 2021 \$32,222.84

- Precinct Operations (Maria Vorel)
 - Elections matter—look at the progress Virginia has made, we need to hang on to our state legislature to keep things moving forward
 - we have 5 precincts that need precinct captains
 - Paul Krizek congratulated Maria Vorel and the precinct ops who staffed the precincts on Primary Day.
 - Karen CS mentioned that the development of the southern part of the district may give us more voters
 - A sincere thank you to all of you who staffed our tables for earl voting and Primary Day. Your support enabled us to create a Democratic Party presence at the polls, answer voter questions and encourage others to join us.
 - For those of you in the meeting who may have taken an information sheet on joining, please do so! If you haven't signed up to volunteer, please go to this link to give us your contact information and areas of interest. <https://forms.gle/HfUiUNRCtQa9jzcM7>
 - To all the MVDDC Members, please commit time to build awareness with your friends and neighbors of the importances of the upcoming election and the upcoming events to learn about the candidates and get out the vote.
 - We cannot underestimate the importance of the fight ahead this year to win the 3 statewide offices and maintain the majority in the State Assembly. Please donate your time and financial support. If anyone would like information on how they can get involved, please email me at mjvorel@icloud.com

- Outreach (Abu Bakr Rashid & Abu Sarkar) Not present

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- there will be an event on Saturday, from 12-4pm at the Gum Springs Community Center
- New Member Engagement (Paul Jameson)
 - 5 new members, very excited about the new members in the committee
- Technology (Lukas McMichael) — no report
- Small Business (Mark Cannady) — getting folks engaged is an effort we can all get behind
- State & Local Affairs (Chris Ambrose)
 - when we recruit new people we try to find ways to help local businesses. Like maybe a Dems Dine Out event at a local restaurant.
- Social Justice (Genie McCreery)
- Old Business
- New Business
 - July General Meeting — Meeting agreed to cancel July meeting
 - 44th Annual Ice Cream Social
 - Candidates/elected comments
 - Dan Storck addressed the meeting (get information from Dan's office about the woman who took care of Martha Washington getting a historical marker)
 - Karen Corbett Sanders mentioned the progress they've made on the historical marker project. Also mentioned that graduation rates in Mt. Vernon went up this year. Students in Mt. Vernon took home \$16 million in scholarships this year— Kudos to the students!!

Announcements—

Lexalynn announced that the Army Museum is open now, and has some wonderful exhibits.

- August General Meeting

Announcements

Rising hope needs volunteers on Friday to help with the food bank from 10:15-2:30