

**MINUTES of Franklin County Democratic Party  
Central & Executive Committee Meeting  
Held on September 17, 2020**

Meeting was held on Thursday, September 17, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. virtually via Zoom in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Sections 3517.02 to 3517.05 and the Constitution of the Franklin County Democratic Party.

Meeting called to order by Franklin County Democratic Party Chairman Michael Sexton.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Sexton.

Chadd Smith, Deputy Organizing Director for Central Ohio, shared how we can each assist the coordinated campaign.

Rules of the Central & Executive Committee meeting explained by Chairman Sexton (speakers must be recognized by the Chairman, limited to 3 minutes each, only one person may speak at a time and all comments must be relevant to the discussion at hand and all votes must be by a show of hands, or in the case of a virtual meeting, by Zoom poll or phone). Motion to accept rules approved by majority vote.

Minutes from the August 6, 2020 meeting approved by majority vote.

Treasurer report provided by Treasurer Kim Marinello. Balance on hand as of the last Treasurer's report to the Committee on August 6, 2020 was \$31,381.99. Contributions through September 17, 2020 were \$63,316.00 and expenses through September 17, 2020 were \$17,252.00. Current balance on hand is \$77,445.99. Treasurer report approved by majority vote.

Motion to approve appointments to the Franklin County Democratic Party Central & Executive Committee. The following individuals were approved by majority vote:

Central Committee:

Sherry Henning, Prairie Township

Executive Committee:

Shay Anthony

David Donofrio

Ross Goldsmith

Brian Shinn administered the oath of office to new members.

Recommendations of the FCDP Candidate and Issues Screening Committee presented by Chair Antone White. Members of the Screening Committee included Antone White, Anthony Caldwell, Jessica Clinger, Pat Deering, Jen House, Debbie Johnson, Marquise Lovejoy and Mary Woods (present for the screening of Michelle Newman, Antoinette Miranda and Issue 22 only). Screening process explained by Chair White.

Motion to adopt the Screening Committee recommendation to endorse Antoinette Miranda for re-election to the State Board of Education (District 6) and Michelle Newman for election to the State Board of Education (District 9) approved by majority vote after discussion.

Motion to adopt the Screening Committee recommendation to endorse Issue 24, the Franklin County proposed tax levy for ADAMH, approved by majority vote after discussion.

Motion to adopt the Screening Committee recommendation to endorse Issue 1, the City of Columbus Proposed Electric Service Aggregation Program, approved by majority vote after discussion.

Motion to adopt the Screening Committee recommendation to endorse Issue 2, the City of Columbus Proposed Charter Amendment to establish a Civilian Police Review Board and create an Office of Inspector General for the Columbus Division of Police, approved by majority vote after discussion.

Motion to adopt the Screening Committee recommendation to endorse City of Grandview Heights Issue 8, a tax levy renewal, approved by majority vote after discussion.

Motion to adopt the Screening Committee recommendation to endorse the Franklin Township Issue 18, a proposed tax levy, approved by majority vote after discussion.

Motion to adopt the Screening Committee recommendation to endorse the Gahanna-Jefferson City School District Issue 22, a proposed bond and tax levy, approved by majority vote after discussion.

Board of Elections update provided by Ed Leonard.

Announcements included preparations for the Judicial Salute fundraiser and a yard sign drive-through.

Chairman Sexton then announced formation of Committees which will meet after the November election. Anyone interested should contact Alex Baker at [alex@fcdp.org](mailto:alex@fcdp.org) and Committees include:

1. Unity Committee
2. Constitutional Review Committee
3. Voter Education and Engagement Committee
4. Progress and Principles for People of Color Committee
5. Judicial Screening Committee
6. Candidate Screening Committee
7. Audit Committee

Motion to adjourn approved by majority vote.