

**MINUTES of Franklin County Democratic Party
Central & Executive Committee Meeting
Held on June 24, 2021**

Meeting was held on Thursday, June 24, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in person at the IBEW Local 683 Hall in Columbus, Ohio.

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

Pledge of Allegiance led by IBEW Local 683 Business Manager Pat Hook.

Moment of silence held for the passing of Ed Toney, FCDP Central Committee Member.

Moment of silence held for the passing of Fran Alberty, long time FCDP Executive and Central Committee Member.

Moment of silence held for the passing of Otto Beatty, Jr., long time FCDP party leader and Chairman of the FCDP Central Committee.

Remarks provided about Otto Beatty, Jr. by Congresswoman Joyce Beatty and Judge Laurel Beatty Blunt.

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 April 29, 2021 meeting 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:

Dontavius Jarrells-Columbus 07

Sue Toney-Gahanna 03

Melanie Houston-Grandview Heights

Joyce Beatty-Jefferson Township

Executive Committee:

Richard Brown

Tina Maharath

Brian Shinn administered the oath of office to new members.

Report and Recommendations of the FCDP Screening Committee presented by Committee Chair Antone White. Members of the Screening Committee included Antone White, Steve Campbell, Monica Cerrezuela, Carole DePaola, Gretchen James, Marquise Lovejoy and Scott Solsman.

Motion to adopt the Screening Committee recommendation to endorse State Representative Allison Russo for the special primary ballot for the 15th Congressional District election to be held on August 3, 2021 approved by majority vote after discussion.

Motion to endorse Colonel Greg Betts for the special primary ballot for the 15th Congressional District election to be held on August 3, 2021 fails by majority vote.

Motion to adjourn approved by majority vote.

FCDP Central Committee meeting held immediately following the FCDP Executive Committee.