

1 Draft Minutes

2 Linn County Democratic Central Committee

3 October 24, 2018 – 7:00 PM

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6 OFFICERS PRESENT: Bret Nilles, Karen Black, Mike
7 McGree, Scott Foens, Bill Falcon

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9 ACTION TAKEN AT THE OCTOBER 24, 2018, MEETING:

- 10 1) The Draft Minutes of the September 26, 2018, were
11 approved as distributed.
- 12 2) The September 2018 Treasurer's Report was
13 approved as distributed.
- 14 3) A Motion to donate \$500 to the campaigns of Andrew
15 Christensen, Tracy Ehlert, and Art Staed, and donate
16 \$1000 to the campaigns of Ben Rogers and Eric
17 Gjerde was moved, seconded, and carried on a voice
18 vote.
- 19 4) A Motion to donate an additional \$500 to the Christian
20 Andrews Campaign was moved, seconded, and
21 carried on a voice vote.

22 I. CALL TO ORDER

- 23 a. A regular monthly meeting of the Linn County
24 Democratic Central Committee was held on May
25 24, 2017, at the Hiawatha Community Center in
26 Hiawatha, Iowa. Chair Bret Nilles called the
27 meeting to order at 7:01 PM, and Michael

28 McGree, Recording Secretary, was present. A
29 quorum was present.

30 II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

31 a. Chair Bret Nilles led the Central Committee in a
32 recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

33 III. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS, ELECTED OFFICIALS, AND
34 CANDIDATES

35 a. Chair Nilles welcomed elected officials in
36 attendance.

37 i. Linn County

38 1. Supervisor Stacey Walker, Supervisor
39 Ben Rogers

40 ii. State of Iowa

41 1. Sen. Liz Mathis, Sen. Kristin Running-
42 Marquadt

43 iii. Municipal

44 iv. Council Member Kay Hale, Council Member
45 Ashley Vanorny (Cedar Rapids)

46 b. Chair Nilles welcomed candidates for elective
47 office in attendance.

48 c. Elected Official and candidates addressed the
49 Central Committee.

50 IV. SECRETARY'S REPORT

51 a. Approval of minutes

52 i. The Draft Minutes of the September 26,
53 2018, were approved as distributed.

54 b. There were no resignations from or nominations
55 to the Central Committee.

56 V. TREASURER'S REPORT

57 a. The September 2018 Treasurer's Report was
58 approved as distributed.

59 b. A Motion to donate \$500 to the campaigns of
60 Andrew Christensen, Tracy Ehlert, and Art Staed,
61 and donate \$1000 to the campaigns of Ben
62 Rogers and Eric Gjerde was moved, seconded,
63 and carried on a voice vote.

64 c. Iowa Democratic Party will be reimbursed \$250
65 for expenses paid.

66 d. Pass the hat

67 i. The "Pass the Hat" fundraising activity
68 generated \$354.56.

69 VI. WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT VOTING
70 REQUIREMENTS – VOTER ID?

71 a. Linn County Deputy Auditor Stacey Law
72 addressed the Central Committee regarding voter
73 identification requirements in the current election.

74 VII. COMMITTEE UPDATES

75 a. Committee Reports were provided by committee
76 members that were present. There were no
77 substantial reports this meeting.

78 VIII. NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

79 a. Get Out The Vote (GOTV)

80 i. Second Vice President Karen Black's spoke
81 about Linn County Democrats' Get Out The
82 Vote effort.

83 ii. Myrt Bowers and other members spoke
84 about Campaign for Iowa staging areas and
85 other activities scheduled in advance of the
86 election.

87 b. Candidate Donations

88 i. This agenda item was previously discussed

89 c. Michael Robinson moved a Motion for Linn
90 County Democrats to take out a full-page
91 educational ad in the Cedar Rapids good Gazette
92 voter. Identification requirements.

93 i. The motion was seconded. After discussion,
94 the motion was put to a voice vote and
95 failed.

96 d. A Motion to donate an additional \$500 to the
97 Christian Andrews Campaign was moved,
98 seconded, and carried on a voice vote.

99 IX. THE REAL BUSINESS!

100 a. Call to Action – We need you!

101 i. Action that people can take prior to the
102 election was discussed, such as volunteering
103 for campaigns.

104 ii. Linn County Democrats will be having a
105 watch party election night at the Chrome
106 Horse Saloon in Cedar Rapids.

107 X. ADJOURNMENT

a. The meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.

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