

CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES JUNE 2, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Ed Stigall, Jr. at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Ed welcomed new members and visitors.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken with a total of 32 people present (8 were voting members including the Chair). The voting member list is attached. Introductions were made, and visitors and new members were introduced. Non-voting members in attendance were: Kendra Auxier, Linda Bowling, Jarrett Boyd, Colleen Burdette, Randy Denning, Jim Graham, Sharon Gray, Stephanie Hellman, Byron Holland, John Hutcherson, Becky Jackson, Anthony Kidd, David Loehr, Heather Loehr, Jim Melton, Brad Meyer, Jim Olson, Michael Roberts, Don Rosenbarger, Jane Rosenbarger, Brandon Tucker, Eve White, and John White.

3. OFFICER REPORTS:

SECRETARY (Shannon Dattilo): The minutes from May 5, 2025 were read and amended. It was added that our local party will host a booth at the Juneteenth celebration on June 22nd from 3:00- 6:00 PM at the Lanier Mansion Lawn. (Janet Hill and Richard Hill; 7 - 0) Volunteer opportunities were explained and sign up sheets were distributed (Peacekeepers for the march, raffle basket donations, booth volunteers for Pride, Juneteenth, and the 4-H Fair, parade float decorators, election committee, vision statement committee). Facebook engagement was encouraged by Julie Patterson.

TREASURER (Sue Patterson): Sue provided the recent transaction updates and account balances. Current Balances — Political Fund: \$1,356.62, Headquarters Fund: \$2,965.83 and Spencer J. Schnaitter Fund \$3,020.00. The Schnaitter fund is the brand new fund encouraging members to give donations monthly or yearly. It is off to a great start with 26 contributions. A discussion ensued with an explanation about what this money would be used for. Ed explained that a formal explanation would be typed and shared at the next meeting in July. The treasurer's report was approved. (Janet Hill and Jeff Phillips; 7 - 0)

VICE CHAIR (Jennifer Scott): Jennifer was unable to attend the meeting.

CHAIR (Ed Stigall, Jr.): Ed gave an update on the successful spaghetti dinner. The Hopefuls and Dr. Michl provided entertainment. There were over 50 people in attendance.

Ed discussed the People United, Building Bridges Not Walls Protest details. This will be on June 14th in collaboration with the Trimble County Democrats. There will be a Peacekeepers Training with Janet Hill on June 8th from 1:00- 4:00 PM and again on June 10th from 5:30- 8:30 PM. The Headquarters will be on on Friday from 2:00- 10:00 PM to make signs. We will meet at the bridge beginning at 9:30 AM and march to the middle beginning at 10:00 AM. Anthony Kidd volunteered to use his drone to capture photos and a video of our march. The bridge is 3,000 feet long and we are hoping for at least 200 people to attend.

Ed shared that there are many Headquarter challenges. However, the water heater was replaced by Terry Crank as a generous donation. Designer Larry Ricci, and Architect Donald Ball have been working on reconfiguring the space. Wayne Kyle has volunteered to lead a capital campaign and explained the steps that this involves. It was recommended for us to replace the two old refrigerators with an economical new one. A price was quoted at \$905 from a local store Greeves. A motion was made and seconded to purchase this new refrigerator/freezer. (Jeff Phillips and Wayne Kyle; 7 - 0)

Ed discussed the need for an election committee to work to find candidates for the many positions open in 2026. He also discussed the importance of creating a vision and mission statement. Ed talked about membership recruitment and having a summit with younger members in their 20's and 30's. He wants to have a local, focused, specific agenda to help our community.

ALLIANCE (Mary Distel): Mary was unable to attend the meeting. The next Democratic Alliance meeting will be Thursday, June 12, 2025 at 6:00 PM at Headquarters.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ed invited those interested to attend the Madison Zoning Board meeting that will take place on June 16, 2025 at City Hall at 5:30 PM.

Ed discussed the many opportunities to volunteer with the party and thanked people who signed up on the forms that were passed around. We discussed possible Democratic bling that we could order and distribute at events (chip clips, pens, magnets). This will be decided at the Democratic Alliance meeting.

Sharon Gray shared her plans for the Regatta Parade Float. Stephanie Savage is assisting Sharon with sewing new patriotic buntings for the float.

Ed shared the current candidate list for the 2026 Primary Election. Three candidates attended the meeting and introduced themselves:

- Byron Holland (for Indiana State Senator District 43)- Kick off June 21st
- Jim Graham (for U.S. House of Representative Indiana's 9th District)- Kick off June 28th
- Brad Meyer (for U.S. House of Representative Indiana's 9th District)

5. NEW BUSINESS

Our Headquarters is reserved for a high school graduation party on June 14, 2025 in the afternoon.

On July 19, 2025 there will be two events at Headquarters: Tim Peck (for U.S. House of Representative Indiana's 9th District) will be hosting a canvassing workshop. In the afternoon Karen Talliah, Chair of the Indiana Democratic Party, will be visiting from 3:00- 4:30 PM. Democrats are invited to attend both events.

Members are encouraged to make calls and send cards to elected officials. A handout was created with contact information.

6. UPCOMING EVENTS

- 6/14/25: People United, Building Bridges Not Walls Protest 10:00 AM- Noon
- 6/14/25: Madison Pride Celebration Noon- 5:00 PM
- 6/22/25: Juneteenth Celebration 3:00- 6:00 PM
- 7/4/25: Regatta Parade 6:00 PM
- 7/7-7/12/25: 4-H Fair Booth 6:00- 9:00 PM
- 7/19/25: Tim Peck Canvassing Workshop 10:00 AM- Noon
- 7/19/25: Torchbearer Event/Recruitment featuring Karen Tallian from 3:00 4:30 PM
- 8/23/25: Lee Hamilton Dinner
- 9/13/25: DPJCI Fall Democratic Dinner
- 10/11/25: Soup, Stew, Chili & Brew
- 10/25/25: Trunk or Treat

7. NEXT MEETING

DPJCI Central Committee Meetings will be held the first Monday of every month. However, due to the Jefferson County 4-H Fair, the next meeting will be postponed by one week and the date will be Monday, July 14, 2025 at 7:00 PM at Headquarters.

8. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn and a second was made at 8:43 PM. (Richard Hill and Janet Hill; 7 - 0)

Respectfully submitted by,

Shannon Dattilo, DPJCI Secretary