

MtADems General Meeting Agenda – May 15, 2025

 **Host:** Jessica Price

Backup Host: Sheryl Coe

Secretary: Sherrie Fischer



Date & Time: Thursday, May 15th @ 6:00 PM



Location: Via Zoom



Zoom Link: [Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Key Initiatives & Special Guests



Guest Speakers: Steve & Marisa for Assembly

- Steve Pylypchuk and Marisa Sweeney are problem solvers, not career politicians.
 - Steve focuses on rebuilding NJ's infrastructure for people.
 - Marisa is passionate about healthcare access, small business support, and community strength.
 -  **Learn more:** steveandmarisa25.com
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Democratic Gubernatorial Primary

-  **Ballots:**
 - Have you received your vote-by-mail ballot?
 - Remind friends & neighbors to return theirs or vote in person by June 10!

- Volunteer to be a Primary Challenger!
-  Watch “*Conversation With the Candidates*” from Mon, 5/12: [Watch on YouTube](#)

Upcoming Democratic Debate

- **Date & Time:** Sunday, May 18, 2025 | 7:00–9:30 PM
- **Location:** Donald M. Payne Sr. School of Technology, Newark, NJ
- **Moderators:** Laura Jones (On New Jersey), with Joey Fox, Micah Rasmussen & David Wildstein
- **Format:** Focused conversation on taxes, education, and transportation

How to Watch:

- [ONNJ.com](#)
- [YouTube](#), [Facebook](#), [X \(formerly Twitter\)](#), [Instagram](#)
- [C-SPAN](#) & [NJ Spotlight News](#)
- Podcast versions on [Apple Podcasts](#), [Spotify](#), and [iHeartRadio](#)

Participating Candidates:

- [Ras Baraka](#) (Newark Mayor)
 - [Steven Fulop](#) (Jersey City Mayor)
 - [Josh Gottheimer](#) (U.S. Representative)
 - [Mikie Sherrill](#) (U.S. Representative)
 - [Steve Sweeney](#) (Former State Senate President)
 - [Sean Spiller](#) (President, NJEA – did not qualify for debate)
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School Funding Update

- "Save Our Schools" Petition:

- 415 signatures submitted at the 5/6 Council Meeting for public record.
 - Called for the Borough to support school funding in the 2025 municipal budget.
 - **Council Update:**
 - \$850,000 committed from banked CAP/reserve funds to bridge the school funding gap.
 - This funding will allow for Mount Arlington Schools to:
 - Continue all extra-curricular activities
 - Retain most faculty for the 2025–2026 school year
 - However, a referendum will be required for the following school year.
 - Details on the referendum will follow soon.
 - **Public Hearing:**
 -  **Date:** Tuesday, June 3
 -  **Time:** 7:00 PM
 -  **Amended 2025 Budget Link:** [CLICK HERE](#)
 - **Board of Ed Meeting:**
 -  **Date:** Wednesday, May 14 @ 7:00 PM
 - Interviews for new BOE members will be conducted.
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Borough Council Campaign Update

Jay & I are officially launching our campaign and welcome volunteers!

Recent Updates:

- Kevin opened campaign bank account

Action Items:

- Set up ActBlue
 - Continue building campaign website
 - Create social media accounts
 - Finalize campaign logo
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Take Action & Get Involved

MTA Town Council

- Sign up for meetings: [Town Council Sign-up 2025](#)

Fulop for Governor

- **Volunteer Onboarding Calls:**
 - Tuesday, May 20 @ 6PM
 - Tuesday, May 27 @ 6PM
- **Lawn Signs:** [Request yours](#)

Mikie Campaign Opportunities

-  **Canvass Event:**
 - **Date:** Saturday, May 17 @ 10AM
-  **MCDC Office Staffing:** [Sign up here](#)
 - Help Friday–Sunday to expand office hours
-  **Phone Banks (VBM):** [Get list here](#)
-  **Lawn Sign Pickup:**
 - **When:** Friday (2–6PM), Saturday/Sunday (10AM–6PM)
 - **Where:** MCDC HQ

Finding Kean Fridays

-  **Weekly Protest:** Demand public town halls from Rep. Tom Kean!
-  **New Location:** 100 Corporate Drive, Lebanon, NJ 08833
-  [Sign up to join](#)
-  **Call Kean's Office:** (202) 225-5361

Contact Your Reps:

- Andy Kim: (202) 224-4744
 - Cory Booker: (202) 224-3224
 -  [Use 5 Calls Tool](#) – Quickly reach all your representatives
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Tell Your Story

- Share how national policies impact your life
 -  **Submit here:** [Morris Dems Story Form](#)
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Stay Inspired

-  **Podcast:** [Ezra Klein Show](#) – Big data, voters, and the Dems' future
-  **Read:** [Indivisible Guide](#) – A practical roadmap for action

Got something inspiring to share? Bring it to the next meeting!

Save the Dates!

Upcoming Events:

- **July 25 @ 5–7PM:** MtADems 4th Annual Happy Hour



General Meetings (Thursdays, 6–7 PM):

- June: 6/5, 6/19
- July: 7/3, 7/17, 7/25 (Happy Hour!)
- August: 8/7, 8/21
- September: 9/4, 9/18
- October: 10/9, 10/23
- November: 11/6, 11/20
- December: 12/4



Let's keep building momentum—see you on May 15th! 💙