

New Hanover County Democratic Party

Monthly Meeting Minutes

**November 18, 2013**

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The meeting was convened at Leutze Hall located on the campus of UNCW at 5:30.

1. **Call to order:** Pledge led by Richard Poole.
2. **Welcome guests, introduce:** Officers in attendance- Richard Poole, Susanne Werner, Brenda Fong , Jeremy Wilson, and Jennifer MacNeish. Recognized Council Members Earl Sheridan and Kevin O'Grady, Sheriff Ed McMahon and welcomed new visitors.
3. **Update from Young Dems:** Report by Alyssa Guberman, Chair for District 7- working to collaborate with all Dem groups, Carter Jewell is Chair for Dist. 3, will be attending Ryan Burris's event and toy drive, participating in Race for Cure as a team, will communicate on any upcoming events, and will be assisting with the GOTV effort.
4. **Recognitions:** Thank you to Polly Shaver for her hard work and time in organizing the NHCO Dems fair booth, Jennifer MacNeish for Latino Festival booth- great networking with Latino community. Roberta Penn mentioned upcoming event for Planned Parenthood and that they need help with their efforts.
5. **Approval of Minutes –Jennifer MacNeish-** The October meeting minutes were not distributed in time for online for review prior to meeting and were read by Jennifer MacNeish with no corrections/ comments given.
6. **Vacancy for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-** Nominations from the floor were made: Steve Kelly by Bill Cottingham, Phyliss Millette by Maggie Parrish and Richard Mandel by Lynn McIntyre. EB Davis then asked for a quorum call for the vote. A motion to close discussion was made by John McHarry and 2<sup>nd</sup> by D. Holdridge. Owen Wexler called for a poll of voting members after which a count of 24 voting members was tallied. Richard Poole announced that there was not a quorum and stated the vote would be continued to the January meeting.
7. **Treasurers report:** Brenda Fong, Treasurer reported a balance of \$ 19,368.07. Lynn McIntyre asked for a reading of expenditures for W-29. A total of \$ 4,400.08 was expended for W-29 and with deposits of \$2408.00 since the last report.
8. **New Business:** Diane Holdridge spoke about supporting Endgerrymadingnow.org, Maggie Parrish directed members to Moms Rising site, Roberta Penn stated the need for a focus on NC Medicaid expansion, unemployment funding and announced the last Moral Monday of this year will be 12/23 in Raleigh, Steve Kelly stated a need for meeting order and offered to convene a committee to search for a nomination for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice., Ruthie Downey announced Pope/Koch/Alec presentation Dec. 7 at 1:30 at NE Library.
9. **Adjournment:** Motion by Owen Wexler, seconded by EB Davis.

Submitted by:

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Secretary NHCDP

