

Leelanau County Democratic Party

County Convention Minutes

January 7, 2017

Meeting called to order at 10:09am

PRESENT: Barbara Abbott, Gwenne Allgaier, Jan Bauer, Betty Bushey, Dennis Bushey, Fred Cepela, Nancy Doughty, Donna Dodd, Amanda Elliott, Sam Getsinger, Charlie Godbout, Tom Gutowski, Vickie Gutowski, John Harbottle, Brigid Hart, Larry Hauser, Cindy Hollenbeck, David Jeris, Laurel Jeris, Betsy Johnson, Jay Johnson, Dorothy Mudget, Bill Mudget, Kerry Navabi, John O’Niell, Peachy Rentenbach, Barb Schneider, George Wellman, Ty Wessell

- A. CALL TO ORDER:** Peachy Rentenbach called the Leelanau County Democratic Convention to order.

- B. ELECTION OF CHAIR:** Gwenne Allgaier nominated Peachy Rentenbach to chair the LCDP Convention, second by Donna Dodd. Motion passed unanimously.

- C. ELECTION OF SECRETARY:** Gwenne Allgaier nominated Amanda Elliott as secretary of the LCDP Convention, second by David Jeris. Motion passed unanimously.

- D. CALL TO CONVENTION:** Gwenne Allgaier read the Call to Convention. The purpose of this convention is to nominate people to committees and to submit resolutions to the Michigan Democratic Party, whose convention will be held February 11, 2017 in Detroit. For those interested in serving on committees, meetings may be attended by phone or in person in Lansing.

- E. RULES REPORT:** No report

- F. NOMINATIONS TO MDP ELECTION, RULES, OR RESOLUTION COMMITTEES:**
 - 1. ELECTION COMMITTEE:** Peachy requested volunteers for the Election Committee, heard none.

 - 2. RULES COMMITTEE:** Peachy requested volunteers for the Rules Committee, heard none.

 - 3. RESOLUTION COMMITTEE:** Peachy requested volunteers for the Resolution Committee, Fred Cepela nominated John O’Niel to the Resolution Committee, second by Charlie Godbout. Motion carried.

- G. RESOLUTION CONSIDERATION:** Peachy called for resolutions. John O’Niel

submitted again the resolution that was passed at last LCDP Convention in August 2016 and suggested it should be resubmitted each time if not incorporated into the MDP platform. John explained that the resolution went to the subcommittee but did not get adopted. Fred Cepela second. Motion passed.

Resolution: “We respect the conscience of each American and recognize that members of our party have deeply held and sometimes differing positions on issues of personal conscience, such as abortion and the death penalty. We recognize the diversity of views as a source of strength, and we welcome into our ranks all Americans who may hold differing positions on these and other issues.”

H. ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Peachy to adjourn, second by Fred Cepela. Motion carried.