2021 Reorganization Meeting

Johnson County Democratic Party

For Immediate Release

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Johnson County Dems Leadership Election

Buffalo, WY– Over the next few months the Johnson County Democratic Party and the Wyoming Democratic Party will be electing leaders to forge the way to 2022 elections.

The Johnson County Party elections will take place on March 20, 2021, online, starting at 10:00am. Invitations can be obtained by registering on the Johnson County Democratic Party's website: https://jcdemswyo.org/zoom.

Election of county leadership will take place in March and state leadership in April. In March, those who make up the voting members of a county's central committee, will vote for their county's Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and a State Committeeman and Committeewoman. Any registered Democrat may run for an officer position.

Agenda March 2, 2021

Johnson County Democratic Party Meeting
March, 2 2021 at 7:00 PM
Bomber Mtn Civic Center – Room 108
***ALSO via Zoom.us, register below to receive invitation.* (the form scrolls in the box)**

Agenda

7:00pm Call to order
7:05pm Pledge, Check in, introduce, announce as needed, approve/amend agenda
7:15pm Treasurer, Secretary and Chair Announcements
    Minutes, money, etc.
7:20 Old Business
    Campaign contributions
    County Reorg Meeting – March 20, 2021
    Precinct Highlights
    MiniVAN
7:45 New Business
    County Officer Election (docs)
7:55 Announcements from the floor
8:05 Announce upcoming meetings
    Next Monthly Meeting: April 6, 2021
    Other?
8:15 Adjourn

Minutes Feb 2, 2021

JC Dems Minutes – Feb. 2, 2021 – Bomber Mtn. Civic Center

In Attendance:
Greg Haas (C), Lois Petersen (S), Jim Shell, (T), and Dudley Case, Sharon Case, and Bill McIntyre with Mitch Black joining the meeting via Zoom.
Meeting was called to order at 7pm.
Since online meetings may continue for a while, motion was made by Lois to upgrade our Zoom account to a paid version (on a month to month basis) to allow longer meeting time. Seconded by Dudley. Motion passed.
Treasurer's Report:
* Jim reported our current balance.
* Motion to pay yearly fee for post office box was made by Jim, seconded by Lois, and passed.
* Jim reported Mark Bentley (307 Radio) had never heard back from the Greybull campaign about providing local ads, so did no ads and received no money. Greg will write to Nina Hebert at WDP to find out how the $500 sent to Greybull by JC Dems for local ads was spent.
* Minutes of the Jan. 5 meeting were approved as written.

Announcements from the Chair:
* Greg shared info on various free training opportunities available through the National Democratic Training Committee, Equality State Policy Center, and WY Dem. Party. Dudley recommended we participate in the Member Recruitment and Retention of Local Democratic Parties trainings.

Old Business:
* Dudley reported on his contacts with Dems in precinct 04-07. He suggested we need to get email addresses for many more of our party members to improve communication. Those he contacted by

phone were helpful in providing topics they would like to see explored by the County Central Committee and guest speakers, and were open to precinct-level social gatherings. Dudley will also contact members in precinct 04-08 and Mitch will contact Dems in precinct 03-02. Mitch will report on his contacts at our March meeting, Dudley will report at our April meeting.

*Continued the ongoing discussion of precinct level involvement. Greg reiterated the structure of the party: Precinct Committee People make up the County Central Committee, who, collectively, elect the officers of the County Party. Without precinct committee people, we're really just skipping the roots, the purpose of the party, really. *[added to minutes when publishing. -Greg]*

New Business:
Our County Reorganization Meeting is set for March 20 at 10am and will be conducted via Zoom. Election of County Officers, who also comprise the delegation to State Central Committee, will take place at this meeting. Major planning for this event will take place at our March meeting.

Adjournment:
*Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Next meeting:
* Tues., Mar. 2, 7 pm – at Bomber Mountain and via ZOOM.

Agenda February 2, 2021

Johnson County Democratic Party Meeting

February, 2 2021 at 7:00 PM
Bomber Mtn Civic Center – Room 108
via Zoom.us, find link in email

Agenda

7:00pm Call to order
7:05pm Pledge, Check in, introduce, announce as needed, approve/amend agenda
7:08pm Special Business
    Zoom upgrade account/expense – Accept motion from the floor to pay for month to month zoom account.
7:15pm Treasurer, Secretary and Chair Announcements
    Minutes, money, etc.
    Trainings: WyoDems, NDTC, ESPC
7:20 Old Business
    Precinct Questions
    Precinct Highlights
    Guest speakers for meetings this year (Speaker club?)
    Local candidates
7:40 New Business
    County Convention:

- Bylaws – Share those paragraphs pertinent to the County Convention
- Chair will accept motions from the floor to decide time, date and location/method of County Convention.

7:55 Announce upcoming meetings
    Next Monthly Meeting: March 2, 2021
    Other?
8:15 Adjourn

Minutes January 5, 2021

JC Dems Minutes
Jan. 5, 2021
Bomber Mt. Civic Center Rm 108

In Attendance:
Greg Haas (C), Lois Petersen (S), Jim Shell, (T), and Dudley Case.

Meeting was **called to order** at 7:05 pm.

Treasurer's Report Our current balance is $1593.59

Minutes of the Nov. 4th meeting were approved as amended.

Announcements from the Chair:
* No one from JC was able to attend WDP's Dec. State Meeting. A resolution which would secure more voter protections was to be discussed at that meeting, but we don't know if it passed.
* The WDP has invited all the county Chairs to a round table zoom meeting on Jan 26. If there's anything you'd like brought to that table please let Greg know.
* The WDP makes a podcast and they recently interviewed Greg for an episode on the topic of what JC Dems had done locally in support of statewide candidates. Greg will share the URL for that podcast when it is available. The already complete episodes of the WDP podcasts can be found here: https://www.buzzsprout.com/1352485.

Business old and new:
Discussed at length the ongoing efforts of the JC Democrats to

stimulate more input and involvement at the precinct level. We all agreed that we need more involvement from local Democrats as well as safe opportunities for county Dems to talk with one another about political and local issues. Greg proposed several ways to elicit a list of concerns specific to each JC precinct and ideas on how to address those concerns at our monthly meetings. Ideas discussed: social meetings rather than business meetings every other month, more 'Get To Know Your Fellow Dems' potlucks like the one held last Jan., backyard socials (weather permitting) possibly organized by precinct chairs with support from the County Committee, short business meetings followed by monthly guest speakers, calls from the County Committee to a rotating selection of precincts about hyper-local concerns which would highlighted at the following monthly meeting in a targeted precinct report.

Greg and Dudley will develop a proposed short list of questions (2-4 only) to be asked by the County Committee – this list will be brought to the Feb. meeting.

With group meetings a continuing concern due to COVID-19, our Feb. 2nd meeting will be conducted online via zoom. Greg will chair the meeting from Room 108 at Bomber Mountain Civic Center, and anyone who would like help using zoom can join him there. The meeting link will be sent out in the call to meeting notices in hopes that more will participate when offered an online connection via the familiar zoom format.

Jim Shell recommended the book '*On Tyranny: Twenty Lessons from the Twentieth Century*' by Timothy Snyder.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Next meeting: Tues., Feb. 2, 2021 at 7 pm – tranceiving from Bomber Mountain via zoom. Happy New Year to ALL!

Agenda January 5, 2021

Johnson County Democratic Party Meeting
January 5, 2021 at 7:00 PM
Bomber Mtn Civic Center – Room 108

Agenda

7:00pm Call to order
7:05pm Pledge, Check in, introduce, announce as needed, approve/amend agenda
7:10pm Treasurer, Secretary and Chair Announcements
    Minutes, money, etc.
7:15 Business, old and new
    social aspects of precincts
    precinct maps
    finances
    earlier start on ad campaigns
    ways to help community as a group
    guest speakers for meetings this year
    technological alternatives to gathering
    local candidates
8:00 Announce upcoming meetings
    Next Monthly Meeting: February 2, 2021?
    Other?
8:15 Adjourn

Minutes November 4, 2020

JC Dems Minutes
November 4, 2020
Bomber Mt. Civic Center – Room 102

In Attendance:
Chairman, Secretary, SCM, 1 precinct committeeman and 1 guest.

Call to Order:
Meeting was called to order at 7:10 pm.

Announcements and Reports:

- In the Treasurer's Absence, Chairman reported current balance and summarized the past month's transactions.
- Minutes of the Oct 6, 2020 meeting were approved as written.
- Chair and Treasurer will submit report, of our contributions and expenditures from Jan. 2019 to Dec. 2020, to the WY Secretary of State by the Nov. 13 deadline.
- Chair will follow up with the Merav Ben David and Lynette Greybull campaigns, confirming with them the exact amount of our ad contributions to them for the purpose of their reporting.
- Chair shared information about the Slack Coordinated Campaign application used by at least one other JC Dem and many others to contact voters and share candidate information. Works well.

Old Business:

- Floor opened to discussion about "Election Day", etc.
- Secretary provided an update on WY Promise – progress has been slowed as we all await election results

New Business:

- Motion was made to hold the next JC Dems meeting on Dec. 1st, there was no second.

Announcements from the floor:

- No announcements nor motions from the floor.
- Next month meeting Tues., Jan. 5, 7 pm – Bomber Mountain CC, Room 108.
- Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and Happy holiday season to all.

Adjournment: at 8:12.

Respectfully submitted by Lois Petersen, Secretary (edited and uploaded by Greg Haas, Chairman)

Agenda Nov 4, 2020

Johnson County Democratic Party Meeting
November 4, 2020 at 7:00 PM
Bomber Mtn Civic Center – Room 102

Agenda

7:00pm Call to order
7:05pm Pledge, Check in, introduce, announce as needed, approve/amend agenda
7:10pm Treasurer, Secretary and Chair Announcements
7:15 Old Business
    Open to floor, reflections on Election Day
7:35 New Business

Open to floor.
7:50 Announce upcoming meetings
Next Monthly Meeting: ???
Other?
7:55 Adjourn

Minutes October 6, 2020

JC Dems Minutes
October 6, 2020
Bomber Mt. Civic Center – Wyoming Room

In Attendance:
Chairman, Treasurer, SCM, 2 precinct committeemen and committeewomen, 2 others.

Call to Order:
Meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm. Mary Jo agreed to take notes for minutes. Folks introduced themselves. Allegiance to the flag, republic and justice for all was pledged. Chair asked for any motions to alter the agenda. Added followup discussion re: offer to campaigns of ad funding in Johnson County.

Announcements and Reports:
Treasurer's Reported current balance and summarized the past month's transactions. Greg submitted receipts for reimbursement for domain name registration.
Minutes of the Sept 1, 2020 meeting were approved as written.

Old Business:

- Greg has contacted both Ben-David and Grey Bull campaigns

regarding offer from last meeting. He updated those present on what he'd learned and the lack of meaningful response and his thoughts about why that may be the case. Some discussion about alternatives took place. Greg will follow up.

- Greg reported on post card sending sessions and letter to the editor class the WDP offered.
- Greg reported on yard signs coming from campaigns over the next several days. He will be communicating via email listserv as that situation develops.
- Greg noted that Grey Bull is offering hand-made campaign masks to the first 100 people who donate $25 or more. Visit https://secure.actblue.com/donate/gbmasks.

New Business:

- Discussion about David Romtvedt as write-in candidate for JCSD1 school board. Nobody in the room had first hand confirmation of his acceptance or current interest in being a write-in candidate. Discussion about use of postcard writing effort to support his candidacy. Further discussion suggestions about list of addresses and purpose of future postcard round. Another brief meeting will be planned for Wednesday October 14, 2020 to distribute addresses and decide postcard language. Room 108 at 5:00pm.
- Discussion about flags and yard signs. Discussion about Jim's letter to the editor and the events described therein.

Announcements from the floor:

- No announcements nor motions from the floor.
- Postcard meeting Oct. 14 at 5pm in room 108 of Bomber Mtn Civic Center.
- Next month meeting Nov. 4, 2020 at 7pm in room 108 of BMC.

Adjournment: at 8:25.

Respectfully submitted by Greg Haas, Chairman

Agenda October 6, 2020

Johnson County Democratic Party Meeting
October 6, 2020 at 7:00 PM
Bomber Mtn Civic Center – Wyoming Room
also: Internet Stream (see email for address)

Agenda

7:00pm Call to order
7:05pm Pledge, Check in, introduce, announce as needed, approve/amend agenda
7:10pm Treasurer, Secretary and Chair Announcements
    Money, Minutes, Domain name registration receipt, pass the hat
7:15 Old Business
    GOTV – Postcards, past and present. Signs.
    Letters to the Editor
7:35 New Business
    Write-in candidate(s)
    Signs
7:40 Motions and Announcements from the floor
7:50 Announce upcoming meetings
    Next Monthly Meeting: November 4, 2020
    Other?
7:55 Adjourn