Minutes September 1, 2020

JC Dems Minutes
Sept. 1, 2020
Bomber Mt. Wyoming Room

In Attendance:
Greg Haas (C), Lois Petersen (S), Jim Shell (T), Dudley Case, Sharon Case, Bill McIntyre (SCM), Mitch Black and Mary Jo Newton.
Meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm and Mary Jo was welcomed as a newcomer to our meetings.

Announcements and Reports:
Treasurer's Report: Our current balance is $2363.58.
Minutes of the Aug. 4th meeting were approved as written.
Greg outlined some of the benefits of using Vote Builder software to gain useful local voter information.

Old Business:

- A motion was made and seconded by Dudley and Jim and passed unanimously: JC Democrats will contact Merav Ben David and Lynette Gray Bull, offering each candidate up to $600 match money to be used toward campaign ads through local media sources. Greg will provide each with a list of local media sources and we will reimburse them based on evidence of their qualifying expenditures.
- Greg will check with state WDP and the candidates to see if there are tools they can provide us for promoting their campaigns (e.g. postcards we can mail out to JC voters listed as Independent or Unaffiliated in an effort to inform them of Dem candidates). Anyone willing to help with this postcard mail out is asked to PLEASE let Greg know asap so he can get cards and wording to you. The cost

for stamps can be paid for by JC Dems.

- Greg explained his first draft of the resolution he offered, in July, to create. Please check the resolution out at the link he provided in a recent email and give feedback to Greg or go ahead and improve the document.
- Greg shared info about the https://iwillvote.com/ website which provides info on voting, specific to residents of each zip code in the US. This is a helpful site to see if you are registered, get info on registering, learning about vote-by-mail or get specifics on voting in person. Jim Shell also suggested making sure the Buffalo Bulletin and Mini publish voting tips provided by the County Clerk.

New Business:
Greg will contact Merav Ben-David to see if she has thoughts she might like to share with the Buffalo Bulletin regarding the front page article in the 8/27/20 Buffalo Bulletin on the Natural Resources Management Plan. Her perspective as a scientist and candidate would be good.

Motion by Bill /Dudley to authorize $15.99 to re-register our JC Dems domain name passed unanimously.

Announcements from the floor:
Lois shared some updates about the Braver Angels activities and meetings.
Bill reported that one of the two mail sorting machines in the Casper USPS sorting facility has been removed.
Next meeting: Tues., Oct. 6, 2020 at 7:00 pm – Bomber Mountain Civic Center-Wyoming Room.

Adjournment: at 8:45.

Agenda September 1, 2020

Johnson County Democratic Party Meeting
September 1, 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 Check in, introduce, announce as needed, approve/amend agenda
7:10pm Treasurer, Secretary and Chair Announcements
    Money, Minutes, Representation of Mail-in Voting
7:15 Old Business
    GOTV – Contact Candidates to Support Local Advertising.
    Campaign tools.
    Voter Registration, History, Precinct Info. Votebuilder.
    Resolution to Vote on entire platform during Convention
7:35 New Business
    Register domain name. $15.99
7:37 Motions and Announcements from the floor
7:45 Announce upcoming meetings
    Next Monthly Meeting: October 6, 2020
    Other?
7:50 Adjourn

Minutes August 4, 2020

JC Dems Minutes – August 4, 2020 – Bomber Mt. Wyoming Room

In Attendance: Greg Haas (C), Lois Petersen (S), Jim Shell (T), Dudley Case, Sharon Case, Bill McIntyre, and Mitch Black.

Meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm.

Treasurer's Report: Our current balance is $2302.58.

Minutes of July 7th meeting were approved with one correction.

Announcements:
Dawn Barela is a new hire with the WDP and she is keeping WY Dems posted on the upcoming convention.

Old Business: Get out the vote
A letter to the 3 local organizers of the Black Lives Matter march was sent by Greg. No response yet from them about how best to contact and encourage young people to vote in the upcoming election.
100 GOTV post cards provided by Merav Ben-David were sent to WY Dems by members of the JC Dems. After discussing other ways to encourage Dems to vote, Lois agreed to ask Rob Hicks to consider putting an article in the Buffalo Bulletin about current voting regulations and tips on how to make voting easier for all. Jim will talk to Vanessa Vogel about doing something similar in the Mini.

New Business:
We discussed an interest in having names to write in on the Democratic ballots in positions where there is no one registered to run. Mitch checked with Anita Frances Edington and she is willing to be written in as the District 22 representative, opposing Dave Kinsky. Manna Dudley Case has agreed to be a

write-in candidate for the District 40 Rep position, opposite Richard Tass and Barry Crago. So, please consider writing these names in, and be sure to spell their full name correctly on the write-in line.

Greg will try to get voter history and voter registration data from WDP as well as precinct information.

Adjournment: at 8:21.

Next meeting: Tues., Sept 1st, 7 pm – location to be announced later.

Bulletin Voter's Guide 2020

The Buffalo Bulletin has created a 2020 Voter's Guide. It has some good details, but not much about mail-in or absentee voting.

They shared it on twitter.com.

> *The Wyoming Primary Election is 12 days away. Are you registered to vote? #Election2020 #wyoming pic.twitter.com/jiXCpVhDla*
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> *– Buffalo Bulletin (@BuffBulletin) August 6, 2020*

Agenda August 4, 2020

Johnson County Democratic Party Meeting
August 4, 2020 at 7:00 PM
Bomber Mtn Civic Center – Wyoming Room
also: Tele-Video-Internet-Conference (see email for address)

Agenda

7:00pm Call to order
7:05pm Check in, introduce, announce as needed, approve/amend agenda
7:10pm Treasurer, Secretary and Chair Announcements
Money, Minutes, National Democratic Training Committee
7:15 Old Business
GOTV, followup on letter to BLM march organizers
7:25 New Business

- Write-ins
- Accept motion along the lines of "…create a checklist of things to do for GOTV as follows:
    a. Postcards (register to vote, send mail in ballot, info re: polling place)
    b. Write-ins for HD 40 and SD 22
    c. Following up with voters to see if they've voted"

7:35 Motions from the floor
7:45 Announce upcoming meetings
Next Monthly Meeting: September 1, 2020
Other?
7:50 Adjourn

Minutes July 7, 2020

JC Dems Minutes – July 7, 2020 – Bomber Mt. Wyoming Room
In Attendance: Greg Haas (P), Lois Petersen (S), Jim Shell (T), Dudley Case, Sharon Case, Kathy Day, Bill McIntyre, and guests Dem. Candidate for WY State Senator, Nathan Wendt and Jessica Chambers (Wendt Campaign Mgr. and WDP National Committee Woman).
Meeting was called to order at 7:13 pm.
Treasurer's Report: Our current balance is $2,070.37 – unchanged since June meeting.
Minutes of June 2nd meeting were approved as written.
Announcements from Chair:

- Greg will help set up computer access to meetings for any needing assistance.
- Greg will be an alternate delegate (via online connection) for Bernie Sanders at the Milwaukee DNC meeting.
- Absentee ballots should have been received by mail by any who applied via Sec. of State.

Nathan Wendt (https://www.wendtforwyoming.com/) VP for Jackson Hole Center for Global Affairs, spoke about his background and reasons for running for US Senator. He outlined his Five Big Ideas for Wyoming to Thrive:

1. New jobs, diversifying the economy by supporting renewable energy resources and enticing business to use them. He wants to make WY a leader in Carbon Capture.
2. Affordable health care with an 'all of the above' approach in a bi-partisan effort.
3. Increase of min. wage to $15.
4. Budget planning and simplifying the tax code.
5. Green New Deal in WY – this state should lead in clean energy.

Wants Big Money/Dark Money out of politics through federally funded elections. Wants to get into the legislature, make needed changes and then get out as he is not a career politician. Please contact Nathan or Jessica to set up virtual conversations on the issues.

Old Business:
State Convention Report: Greg, Dudley, and Jim attended. All reported too much time was given to amending the platform. Greg will draft a JC Dems Resolution to submit all suggested platform changes a certain amount of time prior to the convention, and that the final draft simply be voted on at the convention, leaving time to hear candidates.

New Business:
Motion was made by Jim and seconded by Bill to postpone giving money to candidates until after the primary. Approved unanimously.

100 Postcards and addresses for WY Dems were provided by Merav Ben-David (Dem. candidate for US Senate). We agreed to receive these for distribution to JC Dems interested in supporting the Ben-David campaign, the U.S. Postal Service and helping remind people to vote. Any willing to help in this effort should contact Greg (or the Merav Ben-David campaign) as he may have some extras.

Lois moved, Bill seconded, that JC Dems reach out to recent High School graduates to encourage them to vote. Motion passed unanimously. As a first step, Lois will draft a letter to the leaders of our local Black Lives Matter protest organizers, thanking them for their activism and asking their thoughts on how to best encourage recent High School grads to vote.

We discussed and will decide at the next meeting whether to continue with online meetings or return to face-to- face,

considering attendance and cost of both.

Lois reported a conversation with Barry Crago (Republican running for State House) and her support of his candidacy based on his stands on several important issues.

Adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Agenda July 7, 2020

Johnson County Democratic Party Meeting
July 7, 2020
Bomber Mtn Civic Center – Wyoming Room
also: Tele-Video-Internet-Conference
Agenda

7:00pm Call to order 7:00 PM
7:05pm Check in, introduce, announce as needed, approve/amend agenda
7:10pm Treasurer, Secretary and Chair Announcements
    Money, Minutes, Tech support
7:15 Guest
    Nathan Wendt *
7:30 Old Business
    State Convention Report(s)
7:40 New Business (incl. Motions from the floor)
    GOTV, including but not limited to spending plans and non-dollar methods of outreach to everyone but to youth, in particular.
7:50 Announce upcoming meetings
    Next Monthly Meeting: August 4, 2020
    Other?
7:55 Adjourn

Post-meeting Activity: Post-card writing/addressing

* Wendt for Wyoming
https://www.wendtforwyoming.com
Twitter: https://twitter.com/WendtforWyoming
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/wendtforwyoming

Minutes June 2, 2020

Johnson County Democratic Party Monthly Meeting
Minutes
June 2, 2020 via Zoom video conference

In Attendance: Greg Haas (C), Lois Petersen (S), Jim Shell (T), Mitch Black, Dudley Case, Kathy Day and Dem. Candidate for WY State Senator, Merav Ben David.

Meeting was **called to order at 7:03 pm**.

Treasurer's Report: Our current balance is $2,070.37 – unchanged since May meeting.

Minutes of May 5th meeting were approved as written.

Announcements from Chair:

- Greg will help set up Zoom access for any needing assistance.
- Greg was invited to be on the platform and bylaws committee. He accepted and will meet with the committee on June 4 at 6pm. Let him know if you have anything in particular you want mentioned to that committee. He will

also attend the State Convention on June 6.
- Anyone who has not yet received the application for absentee balloting from the WY Sec of State should contact Greg or the County Clerk to see if there is something amiss with their voter registration.

Guest:
Merav Ben-David (BenDavid2020.com) spoke about her background as a professor at U of WY, and the reasons she is running for office. Her work within the group Citizen Climate Lobby has helped her develop a vision and the skills to work with legislators on political issues. Her 3-step focus as a legislator will be as follows:

- Rescue – help WY citizens deal with job losses, health care costs, ways to survive financially
- Re-imagine – find ways to use innovative technology to benefit WY – e.g. be ready to service self-driving trucks, develop ways to store energy, etc.
- Re-build – borrowing from the FDR public works roadmap, get people back to work on things that will benefit us in the future.

She will send (to Greg at JC Dems P.O. Box) 100 campaign postcards and addresses of voters in WY. Our members are asked, if we so wish, to write reasons why we support her candidacy and mail them out. (Great way to help her campaign and also support the US Post Office.) Let Greg know if you are interested in helping out.

Old Business:
Discussed the county convention results which are also reflected in the minutes from that convention.

New Business:
Motion to return to face to face meeting on July 7 – Lois moved,

Dudley seconded. Passed

Lois spoke about Vote Forward, an effort to send handwritten notes near election time to encourage blue-leaning folks across the country to vote. Lois, Kay M, Joanne T and Mary V are each doing 50 cards so far. Many more sent would be of great help. For more info or to help, contact Lois 684-9160 or go to votefwd.org for more information.

Next meeting: July 7, 2020 at 7 pm – location to be determined
Jim suggested an agenda item for next meeting: Use of the money we have raised to promote candidates or policies.

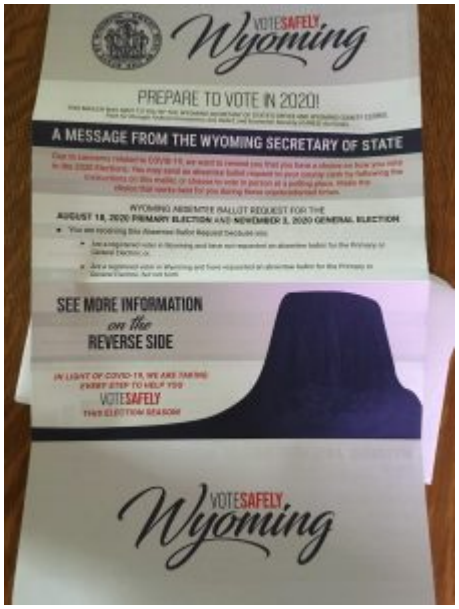
Adjourned meeting at 8:07

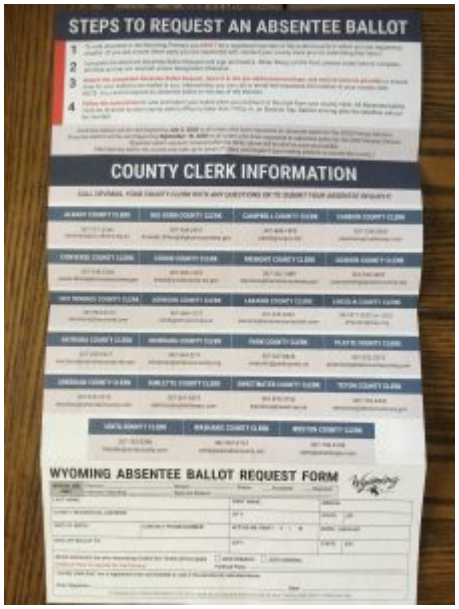
Mailing From WyoSoS

Registered voters across the state should receive this document from the Secretary of State's office.

This is informational and also has a form and envelope you can use to request an absentee ballot.

If you have not receive one you might check with the County Clerk's Office. Phone: 307-684-7272 or email: clerk@johnsoncowy.us





Agenda June 2, 2020

Johnson County Democratic Party Meeting
June 2, 2020
Tele-Video-Internet-Conference

Agenda

7:00pm Call to order 7:00 PM
7:05pm Check in, introduce, announce as needed
7:10pm Treasurer, Secretary and Chair Announcements
    Money, Minutes, Tech support
7:15 Guest
    Merav Ben David
7:30 Old Business
    Convention (Delegates, Platform)
7:35 New Business (incl. Motions from the floor)
    Accept motion to return to Face to Face meetings in July
    Accept motion to schedule action meeting (letter/card writing, etc)
7:40 Announce upcoming meetings
    Next Monthly Meeting: July 7, 2020
    Other?
7:41 Adjourn

Post-meeting Discussion: Questions/Tech Support/State Convention Issues