



# Portage County Young Democrats

Voting Membership Meeting  
July 21, 2021

## I. Call To Order: 6:00 PM

## II. Roll Call:

Castle: Present  
Clevenger-Morris: Present  
Cola: Present  
Errera: Present  
Falatok: Present  
Narzisi: Present

## III. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Approve the agenda.  
MOVED: Errera  
SECOND: Cola  
MOTION: Carries

## IV. Officer Reports

### President:

- Worked with our six partner organizations to begin building the framework to coordinate throughout the year.
- Worked with the Treasurer to launch our most successful fundraiser to date.
- Led the Campaigns Committee for wave one of our endorsement processes), and served as point person in supporting all of our endorsed candidates with all of their campaign needs.

### Treasurer:

Current COH \$3,376.63  
- Approval of Officer Reports (January - June)

MOTION: Approve the January Treasurer's Report.  
MOVED: Cola  
SECOND: Castle  
MOTION: Carries 6-0-0

MOTION: Approve the February Treasurer's Report.

MOVED: Cola

SECOND: Castle

MOTION: Carries 6-0-0

MOTION: Approve the March Treasurer's Report.

MOVED: Cola

SECOND: Castle

MOTION: Carries 6-0-0

MOTION: Approve the April Treasurer's Report.

MOVED: Cola

SECOND: Castle

MOTION: Carries 6-0-0

MOTION: Approve the May Treasurer's Report.

MOVED: Castle

SECOND: Cola

MOTION: Carries 6-0-0

MOTION: Approve the June Treasurer's Report.

MOVED: Cola

SECOND: Castle

MOTION: Carries 6-0-0

### **Vice Chair of Recruitment (*Vacant*)**

#### **Vice Chair of Communications:**

- Worked with the President and Treasurer to update our website and other communication tools.
- Assisted in event coordination and day of support for the fundraiser for Tim Ryan on Saturday.
- Attended our postcard event with the Federated Democratic Women, as well as a number of other partner events.
- Will be working with the team to expand our infrastructure online.

#### **Sergeant At Arms:**

- Verified and Certified Membership Records (Ongoing)
- Formally updated and maintained Constitution and Bylaws after their passage during January constitutional convention.

- Participated- when schedule permitted- in club activities such as the Swing State Postcard writing campaign.

## **V. Approval of Minutes**

MOTION: Approve the Minutes from the March 16, 2021 Voting Membership Meeting.

MOVED: Errera

SECOND: Cola

MOTION: Carries 6-0-0

## **VI. Committee Reports**

### **1. Campaigns Committee**

- a. Endorsed eight candidates and have been working with those candidates to provide targeted support.
- b. Hosted a photoshoot for candidates two weeks ago so they would have headshots for their print/online materials.
- c. Provided website development for the Judicial Candidates.
- d. Provided literature development for Council Candidates.
- e. Committee will likely formally launch wave 2 of the endorsement process (outreach) on Friday, August 20.
- f. Candidates would have until September 3 to complete / return their questionnaires.
- g. The organization would then consider formal endorsements no earlier than September 10. (TBA)
- h. Reiterated that candidates must be endorsed in order to receive any assistance

### **2. Finance Committee**

- a. Fundraising is going well. We have doubled what we raised in previous years, and are expanding our doner base. High goal is 5,000.
- b. Overview on Fundraising Program (2019, 2020, 2021)
  - i. ANNUAL FUNDRAISING PROGRAM
  - ii. 2019 - Goal \$1,385 // Raised \$1,486
  - iii. 2020 - Goal \$1,500 // Raised \$1,600
  - iv. 2021 - Goal \$3,500 // Raised \$3,095
- c. Does pay to do hard mail and most of our donations are from an older demographic. Are seeing growth in our organization and are responding to that.
- d. Roughly \$400 budgeted for convention, will be sponsoring something for convention goers

## **VII. Special Orders**

MOTION: Allocate up to \$100 to Root House Event.

MOVED: Castle

SECOND: Falatok

MOTION: Carries 6-0-0

## **VIII. Old Business**

Portage County Fair Petition

- Majority of the membership are in favor of having the President coordinate with the NAACP to push for a response to last year's petition. No motion was made.

## **IX. New Business**

Marjorie Taylor Greene Event

- Majority consensus is to not engage with a troll

## **X. Partner Organization Updates**

### **1. Federated Democratic Women of Portage County**

- Reached out to swing state voters through a postcard campaign. Was successful and will be doing it again. FDW did chip in to cover the cost to expand our reach.
- Will be continuing our partnership with them to do more action items like this.
- Launched design and innovation programming that resulted in them getting great fundraising
- Assisting with Financial Accounting / Procedures and reports.
- Working with on a CB/SR review & update.

### **2. Portage County Democratic Party**

- Office is now open to be used for above action items as well as future items.
- Co-hosted the Tim Ryan event and ran a lot of it.
- Will be assisting in building a website
- Trying to discuss volunteer / Portage Cares opportunities; want to be included in the front end.
  - Also only willing to participate when in line with mission / values. (Second Salvation Army support event this year is July - will not be supporting).
  - Days of Service Skeels Celebration Prep (Friday July 30th 5-8pm (set up) and Saturday July 31 12pm to 3pm (event support - games, food, etc)
  - July 31st 9 am to 12 pm - Portage Cares "Root House" - Collecting donations for recovery houses (2). Need hygiene products. Would like to donate as PCYD.

### **3. Portage County NAACP**

- a. The Portage County NAACP is currently partnering with the League of Women Voters (LWV) to provide community based training surrounding redistricting and community mapping.
- b. Next event will be held on Thursday, July 29 at 6:00 PM at the Kent Free Library

### **4. Ohio Young Democrats**

- a. Portage YD is sending 3 delegates as part of Ohio's 40 person team to our Biennial National Convention (Cincinnati) next month!
- b. Next MANDATORY OYD Delegate Meeting will take place on July 28th. (reminder: you must attend, or forfeit your delegate slot.)
- c. OYD has also invited all candidates for national officer elections to attend an event next month.

### **5. Young Democrats of America**

- a. The 2021 Biennial National Convention of the Young Democrats of America will take place in Cincinnati next month!
- b. August 11th through August 14th
- c. Westin Cincinnati (21 E 5th St, Cincinnati, OH 45202)
- d. Leadership / Involvement
  - i. Clevenger-Morris (Great Lakes Region Director)
  - ii. Narzisi (Deputy Treasurer)
  - iii. Errera (Rural Caucus Regional Liaison)

## **X. Announcements**

- a. Judge Kevin Poland Fundraiser - July 27th (See Next Slide)
- b. Federated Democratic Women of Portage County Judicial Meet & Greet - August 14th
  - i. Seeking assistance for the event (Grilling & Welcome)
- c. Next PCYD General Membership Meeting - August 18th @ 6PM
  - i. Location To Be Determined (In Person)

## **XI. Adjournment**

MOTION: To Adjourn

MOVED: Cola

SECONDED: Castle

MOTION: Carries 6-0-0

**Adjourned at 7:53 PM**