



Portage County Young Democrats

Voting Membership Endorsement Meeting September 22, 2021

I. Call To Order - 7:00pm

II. Roll Call:

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

III. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: Approve the agenda.
MOVED: Cola
SECOND: Castle
MOTION: 5-0-0

VI. Special Orders

6.04 Confirming Endorsements

Upon the receipt of endorsement recommendations from the Executive Committee, Voting Members will be given the opportunity to confirm or deny the endorsement of candidates, issues and/or referendums

In order to receive the endorsement of the Portage County Young Democrats, a candidate, issue and/or referendum must receive an affirmative vote of sixty (60) percent of the Voting Members present.

In the event an individual candidate, issue or referendum recommended by the Executive Committee does not meet the required vote threshold to receive the endorsement of the Portage County Young Democrats, a member may make a motion to nominate another candidate for endorsement from the floor.

In the case of considering non-recommended candidates, issues or referendums for

endorsement, the candidate, issue or referendum must receive an affirmative vote of seventy-five (75) percent of Voting Members present.

A. Candidate Endorsements

Pursuant to the governing documents of the Portage County Young Democrats, the Campaigns Committee formally launched the Wave 2 endorsement questionnaire on September 1, 2021. The Committee directly mailed through the United States Postal Service an endorsement questionnaire letter to each candidate, contacted each candidate by email where possible, notified the Portage County Democratic Party Central Committee of its intent to endorse candidates, and published formal notice on our website.

Following the close of the endorsement questionnaire window, the Campaigns Committee, consisting of four voting members (Clevenger-Morris, Narzisi & Castle) met to consider the endorsement of eight candidates, forwarding an official report for consideration by the Executive Committee.

Meeting at 5:00 PM this evening, the Executive Committee voted to forward the following individuals to the Voting Membership for final consideration and approval.

For consideration of Highly Recommended:

Joan Seman, Ravenna School Board
Sam Duncan, Aurora School Board

For consideration for Recommended:

Vince Coia, Ravenna Township Trustee
Chris McCreight, Hiram Village Council
Amy Dolzine, Aurora School Board

Not Recommended:

James DiPaola, Ravenna Township Trustee
Patricia Brett, James A. Garfield School Board

Consideration of Candidates

MOTION: To endorse Vince Coia for Ravenna Township Trustee

MOVED: Castle

SECOND: Cola

MOTION: 5-0-0

MOTION: To table the consideration of endorsement of James DiPaola for Ravenna Township Trustee indefinitely

MOVED: Narsizi

SECOND: Castle

MOTION: 5-0-0

MOTION: To endorse Chris McCreight for Hiram Village Council

MOVED: Errera

SECOND: Castle

MOTION: 5-0-0

MOTION: To endorse Joan Seman for Ravenna School Board

MOVED: Cola

SECOND: Narsizi

MOTION: 5-0-0

MOTION: To make Joan Seman a priority candidate for PCYD

MOVED: Narsizi

SECOND: Cola

MOTION: 5-0-0

MOTION: To table the consideration of endorsement of Patricia Brett for James A Garfield Local School Board indefinitely

MOVED: Cola

SECOND: Errera

MOTION: 5-0-0

MOTION: To endorse Samuel Duncan for Aurora City School Board

MOVED: Castle

SECOND: Narsizi

MOTION: 5-0-0

MOTION: To endorse Amy Dolzine for Aurora City School Board

MOVED: Errera

SECOND: Castle

MOTION: 4-0-1

VI. Old Business

VII. New Business

MOTION: To support Issue 1 Portage County District Library Levy

MOVED: Narsizi

SECOND: Cola

MOTION: 5-0-0

VIII. Announcements

IX. Adjournment - 9:07 pm