

**RAPPAHANNOCK COUNTY DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MARCH 7, 2017 MEETING**

Approval of Minutes from February 2017

Treasurer's Report- The Treasurer, Bruce Sloane, reported in absentia that the bank balance was currently \$2,208.72.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bluegrass Brunch- Ross confirmed that the Brunch would be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 1 at the Washington Firehall. There was a discussion of possible speakers. The one confirmed speaker is Tristan Shields. Smiggy will provide music, and Judy DeSarno will get volunteers to help with the food.

Possible Candidates to Oppose Weibert- Ross reported that there are 3 potential candidates. They are Tristan Shields, who is a musician, Michael Wolniewicz, and Will King, who is currently a Green Party candidate who wishes to grow hemp. Wolniewicz is a corporate trainer, volunteer fireman in Chester Gap and an artist.

NEW BUSINESS:

Issues and Actions Committee- Mary Willis has chaired this, and the result has been several good letters to the Rappahannock News.

Voting Record for Weibert- Ross has copies of his voting record. You can also see his record at VPAP.org. There you will find a list of all legislation.

Petitions for State Offices- Ross has petitions for 2 lieutenant governor candidates and attorney general candidates.

Electoral Board- Letters of thanks to Alma Viator and Denise Chandler for past work on the Board. New Board member, Judy DeSarno, gave a report on her initial training.

Steering and Central Committees- Bob Weinberg and Hank Gorfein reported about cuts to the budget, and the need for the 5th District to reorganize. Details of the Caucus on April 20th or 22nd were discussed. If there is a convention, it will be held on May 13th.

Rural Caucus-Hank Gorfein says that it is not helping rural areas.

MEETING ADJOURNED