

Muskegon County Democratic Party  
490 W. Western Ave  
Muskegon, Michigan

June 8, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Meeting Held At  
Muskegon Township Hall  
1990 Apple Ave. (Corner of Apple Ave. and Quarterline Rd.)

<p>Executive Committee Attendance</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Jennifer Barnes – Chair P</li> <li>2. William Snyder 1<sup>st</sup> VC P</li> <li>3. Bob Wright 2<sup>nd</sup> VC P</li> <li>4. Bethann Rahn – Treas. P</li> <li>5. Mimi Rankin – Sec. E</li> <li>6. Tony Barnes P</li> <li>7. Pat Wright A</li> <li>8. Jim Waters A</li> <li>9. Marianne Darnell A</li> <li>10. Janet Thomas A</li> <li>11. Steve Keglovitz A</li> <li>12. David Cadena A</li> <li>13. Brent Gillette A</li> <li>14. Tammy Gillette A</li> <li>15. Bob Carter P</li> <li>16. Carole Carter P</li> <li>17. Julie Dennis P</li> <li>18. Linda Aerts A</li> </ol> <p><i>Quorum exists with 3 officers and 20 MDP (state party) members.</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>19. Paul Watson P</li> <li>20. Bill Ream P</li> <li>21. Dan Hess E</li> <li>22. Dan Kosheba A</li> <li>23. David Kieft P</li> <li>24. Jeff Beegle A</li> <li>25. Kathy Hess A</li> <li>26. Debra Griffin A</li> <li>27. Willie Minor A</li> <li>28. Elise Elzinga A</li> <li>29. Paul Martin A</li> <li>30. Donna Secor Pennington A</li> <li>31. Mitch Dennison A</li> <li>32. Barb Kolen A</li> <li>33. Brandon Gemzer E</li> <li>34. Phyllis Loudermill A</li> <li>35. Don Munski A</li> <li>36. Darma Canter A</li> <li>37. Vickie Clock A</li> </ol>	<p>Automatic Members</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>38. Dennis Murphy A</li> <li>39. Collene Lamonte A</li> <li>40. Terry J. Sabo P</li> <li>41. Cathy Forbes A</li> <li>42. Nancy A. Waters P</li> <li>43. Tony Moulatsiotis A</li> <li>44. DJ Hilson A</li> <li>45. Michael Poulin A</li> <li>46. Brenda Moore A</li> <li>47. Mark Fairchild P</li> <li>48. Tim DeMumbrum P</li> <li>49. Ken Mahoney E</li> <li>50. Ben Cross A</li> <li>51. Susie Hughes A</li> <li>52. Zabrina Santiago A</li> <li>53. Jeff Lohman A</li> <li>54. Charles Nash A</li> <li>55. Rillastine Wilkins P</li> </ol> <p><i>KEY P=Present A=Absent E=Excused</i></p>
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1. Call to Order: 7:07 p.m.
2. Pledge
3. Roll call of Officers:

Chair Jennifer Barnes - present  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair William Snyder – present  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair Bob Wright - present  
Treasurer Bethann Rahn - present  
Secretary Mimi Rankin – excused absence

4. Special Guests/Invited Speakers:

- a. Mark Brewer, former MDP Chair spoke extensively on gerrymandering.

5. Introduction/Recognition:

- a. Elected Officials Present –

- a. Nancy Waters (Muskegon County Clerk): Reminded everyone of the City of Muskegon, Dalton Township, Muskegon Heights, and Casnovia August elections where many of these are millage renewals. There is new voting equipment that will be used this year and Nancy will be bringing it to a future meeting so everyone can see it prior to voting.
- b. Terry Sabo (92<sup>nd</sup> District State Representative): This week’s priority has been going after teachers’ pensions which Terry is against. Please sign-up for Terry’s newsletter on [www.sabo.housedems.com](http://www.sabo.housedems.com).
- c. Ken Johnston (City of Muskegon Council): Our state was the only state who decreased funding for municipalities. Many new businesses opening and building in downtown Muskegon.

- d. Tony Barnes (Supervisor, Dalton Township): Fire Department millage in August.
  - b. Elected Union Representatives –
    - a. No Union representatives spoke.
  - c. Candidates – Rod Davidson informed everyone that he is running for 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional. One of his main focuses will be health care. He will be back to one of our future meetings to speak more about his platform.
6. Committee Reports:

Membership-

Muskegon County MDP Members - 276

MDP Members Present - 23

Total People in Attendance - 39

7. Board Reports:

- a. Secretary Report: Approved meeting minutes from March, April, and May; motion by Bob Carter, seconded by Tony Barnes; passed.
- b. Treasurer Report: Approved Treasurer's reports for March, April, and May; motion by Bob Carter, seconded by Tony Barnes; Passed.
- c. Chair Report:
  - I. The MDP is reviewing party rules and has sent a "rules review survey" to many MDP members. This survey must be completed by mid-July.
  - II. MDP is having a Summer BBQ on July 16 in Milford, Michigan. All invited. Please go onto the MDP website or speak to Jen for more information.
  - III. MDP is having a Project 83 fundraiser in Grand Rapids on June 20 at Long road Distillers. Please see Jen or go onto MDP website for more information.
  - IV. Please keep an eye on what seats will be expiring this year and lets work towards replacing some Republicans with Democrats. A packet of those available seats is available through Jen.
  - V. Gretchen Whitmer is having a fundraiser in Muskegon on June 19. See Jen for more details.
  - VI. Our website is up and running with items being continually added. If you have something to add on the calendar or other information, please let Jen or Will know and they will make sure it is added. The website is: [www.muskegondems.org](http://www.muskegondems.org)

8. Unfinished Business:

- a. Adoption of New Bylaws: No comments or concerns. Motion by Jason Colletta; seconded by Tony Barnes; passed.
- b. Detroit Tigers' Bus Trip on July 29: The cost is \$100 and includes transportation, lunch and fun times on the bus, game ticket. Will be departing old K-Mart parking lot at 12:30 p.m. Everything must be paid by our July meeting. Everyone welcome; profits will be going into the state (candidate) fund.
- c. MCDP Annual Picnic: September 9 from 3 to 7 p.m. at Pat's Roadhouse. This will be a family fun event with MDP speakers, children activities, great food and more! Tickets and sponsorships will be available soon.

9. New Business:

- a. No new business.

10. Comments:

50/50 Raffle: Pot was \$135 with Nancy Waters being the winner. Nancy donated her portion back to the party.

11. Adjournment: 9:20 p.m.

**MUSKEGON COUNTY DEMOCRAT PARTY**  
**June 2017 Meeting - May's Treasurer's Report**

**Administrative Fund:**

Balance as of 5/1/17	\$1,642.37
Receipts	\$1,108.00
Disbursements	<u>\$243.90</u>
Balance as of 5/31/17	<u><u>\$2,506.47</u></u>

**State Acct. (Candidates):**

Balance as of 5/1/17	\$1,757.59
Receipts	\$0.00
Disbursements	<u>\$0.00</u>
Balance as of 5/31/17	<u><u>\$1,757.59</u></u>

**Administrative Account:**

Receipts:

Casino Trip: \$1,088

Membership: \$20

Disbursements:

\$25 MKG Hts. Parade

\$100 CIO Hall Office Rental

\$118.90 Wasserman's Floral (2 funeral arrangements)

**State Acct. (Candidates):**

Receipts:

Disbursements: