

Oconee County Democratic Party
Executive Meeting
Jan. 3, 2022

SPEAKER	TOPIC/DISCUSSION	ACTION/MOTIONS
Jody Gaulin	Call to order. Pledge to Flag. Present were : Todd Moore, Rita Moore, Jody Gaulin, Ruth May, Cece Parker, Andrea Harbin, Gary Gaulin, Hayden Laye, Pat Spurlock, Renea Rice, Mary Anne Grabarczyk, Hick Hunter “Junior”, Linda Holt, and Marcia Lyle Pledge of Allegiance.	
Jody	Comments: Welcome back to Ruth and Cece from illness or injury. Welcome to Junior after an absence. Later welcome to late arrival and new comer Marcia Lyle. Today we begin planning for an eventful new year to come: Election year, precinct reorg, conventions, fundraising and much more.	
Jody	Minutes: December minutes presented.	Pat submitted minutes. Linda Holt seconded. All approved
Todd Jody	Treasurer’s report: Beginning OCDP balance was \$7,944.50. Total revenues were \$375. Total expenses were \$1,208.72. Ending balance is \$7,100.66. Discussion: Donations from the OCDP Holiday Gala participants totaled \$335. This money was given directly to the Blue Ridge Community Center as personal donations from individuals at the party.	Todd submitted report. Pat 2nd Treasurer’s Report. All agree.
Business		
Pat Spurlock	Communication/Social Committee Report: Pat announces January 8 OCDP Breakfast in Walhalla. Gather at 9 am. Program begins at 9:30. Jon Holland, new director from Tamassee DAR School, will present program concerning DAR’s new mission as a residential recovery program for women and their children. We encourage masking and use of plastic gloves while serving. Linda Holt will also include a recognition of MLK Day and the contributions of MLK and others to society. Linda suggests we put together service opportunity for MLK Day. Gary suggests trash pick-up around 10:30 after a currently scheduled 9:00 Seneca River Scholarship Breakfast fundraiser at the Family Life Center. (Omicron virus may cancel or modify the MLK breakfast.) Virtual Town Hall - Timicia Grant would like us to help organize a panel discussion of local officials (4 or 5) to help educate people about the money coming into Oconee County from the American Rescue Plan. January 27 is our best day to schedule this. Jody with contact Timicia to discuss this further. OCDP Social - Set for February 17 at 6:30. A Valentine theme was suggested. Spring Gala Fundraiser - Schedule for possibly April 22, 23, 29, or 30. Mary Geren will plan and organizer fundraiser for 20% of the money raised. Mary Tannery’s event center is a possible site. Jody will call Mary Tannery about availability of event center.	Linda will prepare a recognition of MLK day. Jody will contact Timicia concerning Virtual Town Hall. Jody will call Mary Tannery about event center.

Jody	Precinct Reorg and Convention - Info and guidance will be coming from SCDP Ann Smith. Reorg meeting will be held March 5. Convention needs to be held by March 30. Jody will check with Gignilliat Community Center or Blue Ridge Community Center to reserve a meeting place. Precinct Reorg Team is Jody, Mary Anne, Rita, Linda, Pat, Todd, Ruth, and Renea. People will be needed to handle registration, resolutions, hospitality, etc. Jody wants us to consider who would make a good Chair. She promised 2 years, and now would like to move on to be a “worker bee.”	Jody will check availability of Gignilliat or BRCC.
Jody	Strategic Plan - We have a plan that needs to be updated. First meeting of the Precinct Reorg Team will discuss this. Jody will find the old Strategic Plan.	Jody will find old strategic plan.
Jody	Voter Registration Committee Report - Nothing to report. We will be looking to the data from Register 46 to learn more about potential unregistered Democratic voters.	
Jody	Fundraising - No report	
Jody	Candidate Recruitment - Tuesday Jan. 18 at 6:30 there will be a recruiting drop-in for potential candidates for local office.	
Jody	Volunteer Training Project - January 20 Jody will show Oconee County 101 Power Point at 6:30. Each committee is to create a training addition to this Power Point specific to their topic, e.g., Voter Registration, Candidate Recruitment, Volunteer Orientation, Campaign Field Work, other. Suggested, for example, that Cody and Cece have an hour Voter Registration training in April.	
Jody	HQ Issues - Volunteer times at HQ: Cece takes Tuesday morning 11-2. Rita and Pat swap times on Thursday.	
-	Other Business - Linda would like OCDP to promote the Sierra Club Hike on Feb. 19 at Pleasant Ridge Park in Greenville County that she is leading. This is a Black History Month event in which the hike is in a park that was once designated a for African Americans during segregation. Linda will send the flyer to Rita to promote on OCDP social media.	Rita will promote Sierra Club Hike.
		Todd moved to adjourn. 2nd. All agree.
	Upcoming Events - Jan 8 Breakfast 9:00 Jan 17 Trash Pick Up 10:30 Jan 18 Candidate Recruitment Drop-in 6:30 Jan 20 Oconee County 101 Power Point 6:30 Feb 7 OCDP Executive Meeting Feb 17 OCDP Social	