



**Second Congressional District
Central Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 11, 2011
Burnhaven Library, Burnsville, MN**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jeanne Thomas at 6:30pm. She asked everyone to make sure to sign in on the attendance sheet.

Lucy Buckner read the DFL Affirmative Action Statement.

Chair Thomas asked for a volunteer to serve as Secretary Pro Tem. Roberta Gibbons from Senate District 37 volunteered. A motion was then made to approve the agenda with flexibility. Carried.

Officer Reports:

- A. Chair: Hedy Joachim is out of the hospital. The CD is sending a Get Well card. Chair Thomas also asked that each Organizing Unit let her know the location of their Precinct Caucus as soon as possible. This must be accomplished by November 15th. She also asked that OU's let her know of their convention dates and locations.
- B. Associate Chair: AC Groth has scheduled a CD2 Messaging Committee meeting for Monday, October 17th at the Lakeville Perkins. He will be sending out a notice on this ASAP.
- C. Secretary: No report-absent
- D. Treasurer: Treasurer Parris read the treasurers report. We have \$7,620.93 in the state account and \$261.92 in the federal account for a total of \$7,882.85.
- E. Affirmative Action Officer: AAO Buckner reported on the search for the new DFL Outreach Director. The DFL received 73 resumes which were pared down to 8. Those 8 candidates were interviewed and then the field of applicants was pared down to 4. These four candidates will go through additional interviews. Chair Thomas added that the DFL Executive Committee voted to approve the hiring of a new DFL Executive Director. This job, along with the DFL Communications Director, have been posted on the DFL website.

There were no minutes available from the September 2011 meeting. The vote on approval was tabled until the November meeting.

A motion was made/seconded/carried to file the Treasurer's Report as read.

Old Business:

- A. Election of female director for CD2: Bonnie McKnight was nominated as the new female director. She was elected by unanimous acclamation.
- B. Date for CD2 Convention: A motion was made, seconded and passed to hold the Second Congressional District convention on Saturday, April 28, 2012. Chair Thomas indicated that all delegates that are elected to the CD2 convention from their OU's will be seated at the CD2 convention whether or not redistricting places them into another OU/CD.

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- C. Rules from the DFL Call adopted at the State Central Committee: Chair Thomas and Associate Chair Groth reported on the change to the DFL Call removing verbiage regarding Senate Districts and County Units and replacing them with “Organizing Units”.
- D. Fundraisers in OU’s: Roger Gehrke spoke about the OU37 Spaghetti Party on November 6th and Don Slaten spoken about the OU57 Fall Dinner on October 27th.
- E. Candidates for CD2 Senate/House Seats: The following candidates spoke –
 - OU38A – Sandy Masin (House)
 - OU37 – Mike Germain (Senate)
 - OU25 – Shawn Groth spoke on behalf of Kevin Dahle (Senate)
 - OU28A – Jerry Roth (House)
 - OU37A – Roberta Gibbons announced that she is running against Tara Mack for OU37A seat.
- F. DFL Founders Day Dinner: Chair Thomas suggested that CD2 purchase one table at the Founders Day Dinner at a cost of \$1,000. She also suggested that a drawing be held to fill the table with CD2 people. A motion was made, seconded and carried. A drawing was held and the following names were drawn: Mike Germain, Ken Wilson, Lisa Root, Janet Straub, Jerry Roth, Roger Gehrke, Jim Elwell and Lucy Buckner. Four alternates were also chosen: Mike Harris, Michele Losey, Jeane Pfluge and Jodi Benson were chosen.

New Business:

- A. The DFL has a new Recurring Donor Campaign. All OU’s are being asked to get at least ten people to sign up for the Recurring donation option. 20% of the donations obtained come back to the OU. The OU with the most Recurring Donors will win a pizza party at the home of Al & Frannie Franken.
- B. Charlie Thomas spoke about the Southwest Metro Senior Caucus luncheon on October 13, 2011. It will be held at Godfather’s Pizza in Burnsville at 12:00pm. John Marty is the featured speaker.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Roberta Gibbons
Secretary Pro Tem