Marlborough Democratic City Committee Minutes
Hybrid Meeting-Zoom/In-Person
New Horizons
420 Hemenway Street
Marlborough, MA
Monthly Meeting January 14, 2023

Call to order around 10:10am, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Attendees: Dan Caruso, Barb Allen, Babs Fenby, Bob Gregoire, Alice Wertheimer, Joan Gregoire, Bob Burke, Joanne Burke, Michelle Bodin-Hettinger, Pam McNair, Doug Pizzi, Teria Ellis, Alex Williamson, *Guests*: Dhruba Sen, Chris Lorant

Minutes: Barb Allen - motion to approve minutes of 11/12/10/2023 & 12/10/2023, Second – Bob Gregoire, Motion - Passed Unanimously

Treasurer's Report: none available. Members can donate to MDCC via Act Blue. Members can ask Treasurer via email or telephone to determine when they last paid donation.

Events: Teria reported that collection drive for the Marlborough Community Cupboard will be held on Saturday, January 21st at 10:00am until 2:00pm. Setup meeting time is 9;30AM. Barb Allen will store items until delivery on Tuesday, January 24th at 9:00am. Doug will submit press release.

Discussion for upcoming year:

General discussion to address activities that members want MDCC to provide in the community to promote the Democratic party and values.

Action Item: Michelle Bodin-Hettinger and working group to draft an MDCC Mission Statement

We need more diversity outreach for younger members and ethnic groups

Action Item: Bob Burke and working group to analyze voter and city demographics

Barb Allen expressed concern that we do not have more involvement from our Ward captains. Still missing Ward 5 captain.

We also need to improve communication platforms on website and Facebook. MDCC needs more community visibility for environmental and other issues. Barb Allen updates Facebook page. Deb has sole control of MDCC website.

Action Item: Alice Wertheimer agreed to help to improve and maintain the website with help from Dave Allen

Barb Allen announced that she will not be available for March and April. Meet and greet for membership will need to wait until May.

Next meeting: Saturday, February 11th at 10:00am at same location New Horizons.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:50 am: Motion – Babs Fenby, Second – Joan Gregoire, Passed Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Dan Caruso, Chair 02/11/2023 Barbara Allen, Vice Chair 02/11/2023