

**Marlborough Democratic City Committee
Monthly Meeting for July 14, 2018
9am – 10am**

**New Horizons
400 Hemenway Street
Wayside Conference Room
Marlborough, MA
(Please park in the 370 Hemenway entrance)**

AGENDA

Call to Order / Welcome to our new location

Additional Agenda Items ?

Meeting Minutes Approval—June 16, 2018

Guests/Speakers: Guest Speakers –

**Bob Massey- Candidate for Governor
Jim Henderson- representing the Rank Choice Voting
Organization
Marilyn Petitto-Devaney- current Governor's Council for
re-election**

Treasurer's Report - George LaVenture

Committee Reports If Any –

Chairman's Notes: Kirk Hurley

Educ Comm: Dan Caruso & Michelle Bodin-Hettinger

Outreach Committee: Barbara Allen/Sue Kennedy, MDP

Membership Committee: Barbara Allen/Rosalind Baker

**Press & Public Relations Committee: Doug Pizzi,
Dave Doucette**

Programs Committee: Jayne Wilson

Old Business –

Status of the following:

- MDCC Barbecue—need food sign up
- Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser?
- 3rd District Congressional Debate-July 24th
 - Location
 - Media Coverage
 - Donations/cost?

New Business –

Following today's meeting there will be an opportunity to participate with Jamie Eldridge in his "Day of Action" to support him in his re-election for State Senator.

Adjourn

We are self funding. Our annual dues helps us to put on events. Please pay \$25 by check only. Make check out to "MDCC". We do NOT take cash anymore for anything. Cash makes it difficult to record & report our finances to the state party. Thank you. You may mail it to our Treasurer: George LaVenture, 346 Brigham St, Marlborough—GlaVenture@Trinity-Inc.net

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Kennedy's Restaurant
247 Maple Street-Rte 85
2nd Floor
Marlborough, MA

Regular Monthly Meeting for July 14, 2018
Minutes - DRAFT

Attendees:

Officers: Kirk Hurley, Chair; Debbie Doucette, Secretary,

Members: Elisabeth Bartry, Elaine Chont, Diane Stevens,
Marilyn Perry, Barbara Shapiro, Kathleen
O'Connor, David Doucette, Ed Pastor, Lee Hettinger,
Danielle Gregoire, Blaine Stanczak, Michelle Bodin-
Hettinger, Joanne Kotsopoulos, Joan Gregoire,
Keith St. John, Phil Wood, Jim & Pat Eldridge,
Lydia Safferson

Others: Dhruba Sen-Framingham

Guest Speaker: Robert Massie, Democratic Candidate for Governor
Jim Henderson, Rank Choice Voting Org.

Meeting Brought to Order at 9:15 am

Approval of April Minutes: Approved

Treasurer's Report – Deferred to next mthly meeting

Committee Reports

Membership – Barbara Allen: No Reports

Education/Youth Vote – Dan Caruso: Blaine Stanczak-
Student Rep has solidified a Young Democratic grp in the
Marlborough HS

Communications – No Reports—Doug Pizzi is away for 2
weeks

Chair's Notes:

Congregational Debate – July 14th

- On track for the debate
- Candidates will be introduced alphabetically
- Order of speaking will be by draw for 1 minute intro.

- Total of 15 blind questions will be available for each of the 10 candidates to choose 1 question. Remaining 5 questions will be discarded. Once the designated candidate (A) is asked their question the other 9 candidates may respond to the same question with rebuttal from candidate A
- Marlborough broadcasting live
- Rank Choice Voting will stream to “you tube” audience as well as involve the seated audience in their voting.
- Advertising- Doug Pizzi is away for 2 weeks. Its unclear what has been done for Press Releases. Barbara Shapiro suggested that we get in touch with Jayne Wilson.

Other Business:

First Meeting at New Horizons---Everyone seems to be happy with this location. Thanks again to Michelle Bodin-Hettinger for securing this location for us.

MDCC Annual Barbecue—

Diane Stevens and Barbara Shapiro, who are organizing the MDCC barbecue, have asked for members to bring additional food to our party. A food list was handed out.

Questions:

Danielle Gregoire—Wanted to be sure the questions being asked at the debate had been shared with other members. Both Dave Doucette and Keith St. John had gone over the questions with Kirk as well as added a few questions of their own.

SPEAKERS:

Bob Massie-

Life long social activist. Been in the Ministry.

- Single Payer; Health Ins
- Move to 100% renewable energy
- ICE to be disbanded
- Public statewide transportation; takes 40% longer to get anywhere
- Safe Community Act
- Stabilize rent
- Too many tech jobs taking over people jobs—needs to be a balance
- Will be a dynamic governor; involved. Current Governor never shows up at any protests for support.

Jim Henderson, Member of the Board of Rank Choice Voting

Jim did a very informative presentation on Rank Choice Voting explaining how it works and how this would help to give a more accurate vote of the candidates in primaries. There are 9 regional chapters in MA as of now and will be lobbying the MA legislator in 2019.