

**Marlborough Democratic City Committee
Monthly Meeting for September 8, 2018
9am – 10am**

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

AGENDA

Call to Order

Additional Agenda Items ?

Meeting Minutes Approval—July 14, 2018

Treasurer's Report - George LaVenture

Committee Reports

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:

- Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser--October

New Business

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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Regular Monthly Meeting for September 6, 2018 Minutes - **DRAFT**

Officers: Kirk Hurley, Chair; Barbara Allen, Vice Chair; Dan Caruso, Vice Chair; George LaVenture, Treasurer; Debbie Doucette, Secretary

Attending

Members: My Apologies. The Sign-In sheet was lost

Meeting Brought to Order at 9:00 am

New Horizon's Insurance Liability forms were passed out for each member to sign and hand in. This is a policy that will be part of each of our meetings before we begin.

Approval of July Minutes: Approved

Treasurer's Report – Checking account will be very low after our current expenses have been paid. Barbara Allen rescinded her expense reimbursement and changed it to a donation-in-kind.

Noreen posed a question “when are dues paid?” Dues are paid at the beginning of teach calendar year in January.

Committee Reports

Membership – Barbara Allen: Will be putting a committee together to create a New Member informational packet that will include—

Committee Calendar
Current Committees
Email member list

Education/Youth Vote – Dan Caruso: No Reports

Communications – No Reports

Chair's Notes: Ice Cream Social went well during the July 4th parade. Quite a few people stopped by for the free ice cream. Much of the ice cream tubs were empty. Thank you Barbara & Diane for manning the table on that hot day.

Our Committee needs to have further discussion on auto recount of votes. Currently our state does not have one.

New Business: Pancake Breakfast – Dan Caruso

Minuteman Press will print the placemats with ads. The ads will be sold to local businesses and candidates. This will be part of our income. Dan will be checking local venues for the breakfast. Dave Doucette and Keith St John volunteered to be the cooks. A vote was made for the last Saturday in October for the breakfast.

Added to Agenda:

Babs: City Planning Board member vacancy currently available

Groups need aid (volunteers) to support National/Local Democratic Candidates.

Holiday Party: Diane Stevens and Barbara Shapiro shared their concern that we will not have the amount of guests to make it worthwhile at our annual November Holiday Party. It will be too expensive. It would be best to skip it this year.

Barbara Allen suggested that we should hold the Holiday Party every other year – odd year. This would save us money. Every odd year would be in the middle of campaigning where candidates need to meet and greet. This has always been considered our main fundraiser.

For a fundraiser for the even years, it was suggested to hold the Pancake Breakfast in October before elections in Nov. Best time to sell ads to candidates or to businesses before the holidays.

We need to use our committees to do their work off line. Too much time between main meetings for decision-making.

Ward 5: Still looking for a chair for Ward 5.

Meeting Adjourned 10:15AM