

INGHAM COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY  
EXPANDED COUNTY COMMITTEE MEETING OF APRIL 19, 2023  
RESTAURANTE FIESTA CHARRA  
2706 LAKE LANSING RD  
LANSING, MICHIGAN  
APPROVED MAY 10, 2023

OFFICERS PRESENT: Brian Jackson  
Trisha Gerring  
Ted Lawson  
Robin Smith  
Sheila Nicholas  
Veronica Johnson  
Florensio Hernandez

OFFICERS ABSENT: None

**Meeting Called to Order**

Chairperson Jackson called the April 19, 2023 meeting of the Expanded County Committee to order at 6:38 p.m.

The MDP Land Acknowledgement Statement was read, and first time attendees introduced themselves to the committee.

**Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Treasurer Gerring, supported by Rita Vogel, to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of October 19, 2022 Minutes**

Moved by Vice Chairperson Smith, supported by Treasurer Gerring, to approve the October 19, 2022 minutes.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **Chairperson's Report**

Chairperson Jackson announced that the annual picnic will be held on August 9, 2023 at Frances Park in Lansing and that ICDP is working on a fundraising event to honor Senator Debbie Stabenow.

Chairperson Jackson thanked everyone that submitted a response to the Strategic Plan Survey and noted that, if possible, officers should not serve as committee chairpersons.

Additionally, Chairperson Jackson reported that ICDP is working with Ingham County Commissioner Myles Johnson to canvas South Lansing about Medicaid enrollment and urged the membership to participate in the Daily Kos survey on which state is the most important for Democrats to win in 2024.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Gerring provided the ICDP account balances.

Moved by Ed Bryant, supported by Mitchell Nelson, to approve the Treasurer's report as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **Secretary's Report**

Secretary Lawson stated that the following are eligible for Expanded County Committee membership per ICDP Bylaws:

Polly Murray  
Gordon Rogalski  
Joanne Sime  
Karl Sime

Moved by Irene Cahill, supported by Kathleen Johnston-Calti, to approve the above for membership.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **Vice Chairperson's Reports**

Vice Chairperson Smith announced that she was appointed by MDP Chairperson Lavora Barnes to the Affirmative Action Committee.

Vice Chairperson Nicholas stated that the Blue Brigade is still awaiting petitions to nominate Elissa Slotkin as a candidate for United States Senate.

Vice Chairperson Johnson asked the Chairperson to clarify Expanded County Committee meeting times. It will be on the second Wednesday of the month beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Vice Chairperson Hernandez announced the 9th Annual Labor Council for Latin American Advancement Scholarship Luncheon on April 22, 2023.

**Committee Reports**

None.

**Unfinished Business**

Chairperson Jackson presented the final results of the 2023-24 Strategic Plan for approval.

Moved by Vice Chairperson Johnson, supported by Rita Vogel, to accept the 2023-24 Strategic Plan.

Motion carried unanimously.

**New Business**

Four ICDP Special Committees were presented to the Expanded County Committee for approval:

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion and Outreach & Coalition Building Committee  
Fundraising and Events Committee  
Membership Committee  
Welcome Committee

Moved by Vice Chairperson Smith, supported by Irene Cahill, to approve the new ICDP Special Committees.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Chairperson Jackson adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

  
TED LAWSON, SECRETARY