

INGHAM COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY  
EXPANDED COUNTY COMMITTEE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2023  
RESTAURANTE FIESTA CHARRA  
2706 LAKE LANSING RD  
LANSING, MICHIGAN  
DRAFT MINUTES

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

OFFICERS ABSENT: None

**Meeting Called to Order**

Chairperson Jackson called the September 13, 2023 meeting of the Expanded County Committee to order at 7:27 p.m.

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

**Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Chris Swope, supported by Dan Fox, to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of July 12, 2023 Minutes**

Moved by Dan Fox, supported by Vice Chairperson Smith, to approve the July 12, 2023 minutes.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Chairperson's Report**

Chairperson Jackson thanked everyone for a successful picnic, announced the September 20, 2023 welcoming event for new members, and provided a progress update on the November 10, 2023 event to honor Senator Stabenow.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Gerring provided the ICDP account activities.

Moved by Vice Chairperson Johnson, supported by Vice Chairperson Smith, to approve the Treasurer's report as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **Secretary's Report**

Secretary Lawson stated that there were eight people in attendance eligible for Expanded County Committee membership per ICDP Bylaws.

Moved by Secretary Lawson, supported by Dan Fox to appoint Tamera Carter, Ben Eysselinck, Ryan Kost, Craig Longnecker, Michele Montmorency, Trini Pehlivanoglu, Patrick Rose, and Cameron Smith to the Expanded County Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

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

Vice Chairperson Smith reported on the MDP Executive Committee meeting.

Vice Chairperson Nicholas reported that Elissa Slotkin for United States Senate nominating petitions are available and asked for sponsors for the Senator Stabenow event.

Vice Chairperson Hernandez reported that the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee held their first meeting.

Vice Chairperson Johnson reported that she is compiling a list of local businesses supporting the UAW strike.

### **Committee Reports**

Elections Committee Chairperson Elena Greer reported that the committee met on August 22, 2023 and has recommended that the ICDP shall endorse Rebecca Kasen, Joshua Ramirez-Roberts, and Christopher Wardell for the East Lansing City Council and Ryan Kost and Trini Lopez Pehlivanoglu for the Lansing City Council.

After discussion, a motion was made by Chris Andrews, supported by Vice Chairperson Nicholas, to make no endorsements.

Motion carried.

**Unfinished Business**

None.

**New Business**

Moved by Secretary Lawson, supported by Dan Fox to adopt a resolution in support of the United Auto Workers.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Chairperson Jackson adjourned the meeting at 8:24 p.m.

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**TED LAWSON, SECRETARY**