

Anna Langthorn

With that I'll go ahead and do the roll call. Oh and other thing... for minutes this meeting, because Dave cannot be here, we will be recording them and then transcribing them later so please speak up. So that we can make sure we get all of the audio on the camera. All right.

So I am present. Brian Jones, present. Dave Ratcliff, absent. Rachel Hunsucker, present. Jim Frazier, present. Betty McElderry, present. Tiffany Phillips, Alicia Andrews for Tiffany Phillips. Demetrius Bereolos, present. Joseph Thomas, absent. Angela Wilson, present. Terry Amend, present. Dee Dee Hensley, present by phone. Debi Thompson, present. Earl Mitchell, present. Ilka Heiskell, present. Alexandra Scott, absent. Judy Calhoun, present. Nadine Gallagher, present. Wyatt McGuire, present. Brondalyn Coleman, present. Sheri Dickerson, absent. Marguerite Marguerite, present by phone. John Petty-John, present. Joshua Harris-Till, present. Debbie Hogue-Downing, present. Debbie Lobdell-Brooks, present. Senator George Young, present. Sheena Grewal, absent. Twain Jones, proxy.

And I believe that is everyone. If you believe you should have been on the roll call sheet and I didn't say your name, now's the time. OK. All right. With that let me count very quickly — but we should have a quorum. We do have a quorum.

For the purpose of minutes we are recording with this camera. So when you speak please speak up. So that the camera will catch you. Also I would like to introduce everyone to Ward Curtin. He will be here as Congresswoman Horn's proxy. If you don't know, each congressional person receives one representative — and so — that is why Ward is here. All right. With that. Let's go ahead and move to the pledge of allegiance. Please stand.

[Central Committee]
[Pledge of Allegiance].

Brian Jones

Chair, I'd like to move that we amend the agenda. To move up new business. So we can take care of that, right now.

Anna Langthorn

Is there a second. Debbie Hogue-Downing. All those in favor of amending the agenda, to move new business forward. Please say, Aye. All those opposed say, Nay. Ok. I think that calls for division.

Again if you are in favor of moving to new business before the reports, please raise your hand. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8. 8 in favor. If you are opposed to moving new business before the report, please raise your hands. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8. 8 opposed. If you are abstaining, please raise your hand. 1, 2, 3, 4. 4 abstaining.

So I believe in this instance I get to break the tie. And I am going to vote that we move new business forward. So we will start with new business...

Nadine Gallagher

If you approve the minutes.

Anna Langthorn

Ok. We can do that before we move on to new business. Approval moved by Nadine Gallagher. Seconded by Earl Mitchell. All those in favor of approving the minutes say, Aye. Have all those opposed say, Nay. Thank you. They are approved. OK.

Nadine Gallagher

I have an error... under CD 5 that there was a motion that was made that the precinct officer list would be revised and updated, then sent to all the officers. And nobody in CD 5 has received the updated list. I would like... the list. ASAP.

Anna Langthorn

Under new business. The first item of business, is the selection of a new DNC man. Before we get to that actual election. Jim would you like to take a moment to address everyone regarding your resignation.

Jim Fraizer

Certainly. I hope you all can hear. Alright right, thank you. I want to say first, thank you for allowing me to serve. I go back to the days as a county chairman, a district chairman, a state chairman, and a national committeeman. This has been an integral part of my life. An important part. I'm submitting my resignation for personal reasons. Which are not a big secret around this group of friends. And with that submission, I say thank you to you Betty, thank you all. And I encourage you to think about the opportunity that you have, with this vacancy, to place a person in my spot. Who having been there — I can tell you — will excel. I want my replacement to excel. The state of Oklahoma, and all the Democrats, need that strong voice that can be offered. And may I just suggest a voice stronger than mine has ever been. A person who i met who's advice I seek from time to time. Experienced in government. Experience in politics. And hopefully will be nominated to take my position. I believe in the position. I am here. And will be as active as I can potentially be — possibly be — in support of all of you and of the party. Thank you for the opportunity.

Anna Langthorn

In the event of a vacancy of one of our statewide offices the Central Committee confirms a chair's appointee to that position. For clarity the person that we confirm today will only serve in the role until the 2020 convention, at which point, there will be an election at the 2020 convention. At this point I will open the floor for nominations.

Governor Walters has been nominated by John Petty-John. Seconded by Earl Mitchell, Judy Calhoun, Jim Frazier, and I think Debi Thompson and I think Brian Jones wanted to second too.

Are there any other nominations? Nadine Gallagher nominates Mark Henrickson. Seconded by Debbie Lobdell-Brooks. All right.

Are there any other nominations? Ok seeing none. I am going to propose we'll do a minute for nominating speeches and two minutes for candidate speeches. If the candidate would like to give a speech. Because Governor Walters seems to have a committee nominating him I'm going to encourage that you all take 30 seconds to figure out who's going to give nominating speeches. And I would offer Mark Henrickson the opportunity to do so as well. Now take a second to caucus.

If everybody is ready we'll go ahead and start with nominating speeches. Like I said we'll do a minute for nominating speeches. I think we'll skip seconding speeches. And then do a two minutes for candidate

speeches, if the candidate would like to. Or someone would like to on behalf of the candidate. We will start with Governor Walter's nominators and who will be giving the speech? One minute.

Brian Jones

What do you say about a guy like David Walters. I mean besides the easy stuff like how he was our state's 24th governor who presided over record job growth and increased education funding 30 percent and went after the first capital improvements bond question in a quarter century putting three hundred and fifty million dollars over half a billion dollars in today's bonds into our higher ed system. That went to faculty and salaries, went to computers and lab equipment and library acquisitions. David Walters did that. That's his legacy and for plenty of people. That would be plenty of legacies. That's just not how David Walters rolls right. David Walters ran for the U.S. Senate in 2002. He lost that race and after that loss you know what he did? He went and got elected precinct chair. After serving in the highest office in our state. After representing our party in race for the United States Senate. David Walter stood up and volunteered to be a precinct chair. That's the kind of guy he is. That's the kind of heart he has. For this party, for the state, and for this country. And he works well with all of us including John Petty-John — who wanted to make sure I was going to mention of the Veterans Committee. I'm proud to call him a friend and a mentor. But I'm even more proud to stand with him and with you In this work, at this critical moment. David Walters for DNC committeeman.

Anna Langthorn

So I will make sure that the other nominators get 12 seconds. So we'll go ahead and do Mark Henrickson's nominating speech....

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Go ahead... Darling darling....

Nadine Gallagher

First I would like to say... that... this in no way has any bearing on anything I had heard about the resignation and I immediately thought of and spoke to Mark Henrickson... and... that's when I told you Gov. Walters when you called me. That I had already spoken with someone. He told me he was interested and I am standing by my nomination of Mark Henrickson. Mark Henrickson is... um... I have been friends with Mark Henrickson for some years. And then when he ran his campaign... he ran a good campaign... a strong campaign for chair... is when I... I... I... Saw him in a different light. As in a leadership position in the Democratic Party. I think he brings an awful lot to the table. He has served many of the marginalized communities in Oklahoma. As has his legal practice for many many years. And I believe he would be a phenomenal representative of all of us at the DNC. And I would strongly urge him to be our next committeeman. Thank you.

Anna Langthorn

All right. We'll move on to the candidates speeches. We'll do two minutes, it's like I said for each candidate. Governor Walters.

Gov. David Walters

Thank you. And thank you. We had a... we had a lovely chat when I called Nadine. Sorry I wasn't able to get a hold of everybody. I couldn't reach Debbie Hogue-Downing. But I tried to talk as many of you as possible and so I would first of all say these aren't... election means exactly that... it's always good to have an alternative offer. And so I appreciate the fact that that's the case. My sense is it's hard to talk

about why you should vote for me. It really is more important to honor Jim Frazier, his 21 years of work, his service on that executive committee for the National Committee, being on the National Committee is one thing. Being on the Executive Committee is an entirely different matter. And jim is hopeful that he can use his influence there to get the next person to fill that slot on the executive committee and that that would be an important thing I think for our state to make sure our values are represented there. Brian thanks for the stirring nomination. In the last round. I share the celebration for Kendra Horn's election and I share the defeats that we've suffered primarily in the rural areas with all of you. We worked very hard. My business staff said I spent too much time on politics. You know we raised about four hundred thousand dollars for 2018 campaigns and then we shifted over to an independent expenditure campaign effort. And we raised, starting in September and October, about three point one million dollars. We spent more money than the Edmondson general election campaign and in many cases we tried to drive central Oklahoma turnout and I hope in some small way we were helpful to the success we had there. We had individual fundraisers for many many candidates in our home. So we have continued to be very active. So just give me... Is that it? Thank you very I'm happy to fill this role and task and I thank you for your support.

Anna Langthorn

Does anyone want to speak on behalf of Mark Henrickson?

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Well first of all... my name is Debbie Lobdell-Brooks. And I feel that many of us have been put in a very difficult situation...

[Central Committee]

Not at all....

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

None of us oppose David Walters. He's a wonderful man. I have expounded about that water paper that you wrote. I don't know how many times. However, I think we had an illegal process here. And that is the issue that many people have with what's going on. Your letter had been out for two months. No one on the central committee had seen it, received it, or accepted it, that I knew of. Yet, Governor Walters had seen it. There's a whole crew here lined up to just shove you right in there Governor Walters. You know I might not have had a problem with that. It's the process. Mark Henrickson has been involved in fights with the ACLU and marginalized communities his entire career. I don't think the man would stand for something like this. I don't think you should. Thank you.

Anna Langthorn

At this point, we will go ahead and vote. I think a hand raise vote so that we have exact counts. Those in favor of electing Governor David Walters as the new national committeeman of the Oklahoma Democratic Party please raise your hand. 1, 2, 3....

Wyatt McGuire

Point of clarification. Did we accept Jim's resignation yet?.

Anna Langthorn

OK. Yeah that's a good point. So before we vote everyone put your hands down. Let's go ahead and accept Jim's resignation is there a motion to do so. Moved by Angela Wilson. Seconded by Wyatt McGuire. Thank you all.

OK now we will vote. And we will ask the people on the phone to voice their votes. So all those in favor of Governor David Walters as the next national committeeman for the Oklahoma Democratic Party. Please raise your hand. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19. 19 in favor of Governor Walters being the next national committeeman.

All those opposed please raise your hands. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. 5 in favor of Mark Henrickson

With nineteen voting for Governor David Walters... Congratulations Governor Walters. Join us if you'd like to.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks
I swear we don't bite...

Anna Langthorn

OK. I'd like to take a moment... I know we've have a long round of applause for Jim already but he really have given a great deal of his life in service for the party. So if we can just thank Jim again.

Ok. So the next item on the new business agenda is the convention bid selection. As you all know for the first time we opened the convention location to all of the Democrats across the state to submit bids for where the location would be. Unfortunately, no bids were submitted. So the party put together a bid that Christine Byrd has passed out to you. It does keep the location in Oklahoma City. We feel that that makes it the most geographically convenient for the most people. We know that it would be exciting to go to CD 2, or 3, but that means that the people on the opposite side of the state have to drive, at an increased costs for them. So this is the bid that we have. Does anyone have any question. Christine. Can you come over here. Christine actually put this together. She is the one who did the work at the hotel. So does anyone have any questions.

[Central Committee]
[Questions from the body].

Anna Langthorn

So we're getting into convention planning itself rather than the actual bid at this point. Is someone willing to make a motion....

Rachael Hunsucker
I move we accept the bid.

Anna Langthorn

Ok. Moved by Rachael Hunsucker and seconded by Nadine Gallagher that we accept the bid to host the convention in Oklahoma City. All those in favor please say aye. All of those opposed please say nay.

So with that we officially have the convention location. This will be a great deal of weight off of our shoulders. Actually call hotel and put everything on paper and move forward.

Demetrius Bereolos

Also I would make a heartfelt request that you strenuously work as hard as possible to come up with the highest profile speaker for the dinner. We're gonna be early in a presidential year and also we're surrounded by some... some new members of Congress who sound like they would have particularly interesting stories of a new member of Congress from the Kansas 3rd Congressional District would certainly be a fascinating story and speaker. And we also will probably get troves of presidential candidates. I know you're going to, but I would, because I think it would enhance the capacity to expand the ability of the dinner to be an even bigger fundraiser.

Anna Langthorn

That is definitely the goal. And I am extremely paranoid about things falling through. I had bad dreams about this... but we tentatively have scheduled one of the newly elected congresswoman. Not Kendra. We hope she will be there. But one of the newly elected congresswomen from another state. That's all I'm going to say, because like I said I've had nightmares about this falling through. So. We're working on it. We are on the same page. Ok. So. Yes?

Wyatt McGuire

I'd like to make a motion that would create a convention committee. To help with the implementation of convention.

Anna Langthorn

Like Rachel said there are some existing... and I'm not opposed to that... We'll....

Wyatt McGuire

It says we can establish an ad hoc committee to advise the state central committee. That's part of the Constitution.

Anna Langthorn

Thank you for looking that up. All right. Wyatt moves that we create... Yes?

Rachael Hunsucker

I would ask that we table that motion until after lunch.

[Central Committee]

[Inaudible debate].

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Well that's crap...

Anna Langthorn

One thing at a time. There is a motion on the floor to create an ad hoc committee to advise regarding convention planning. Is there a second? Seconded by Brondalyn Coleman. All right. So....

Brian Jones

I move to table....

Brondalyn Coleman
A point of clarification.

Anna Langthorn
Yes.

Brondalyn Coleman
Do we think it's wise to wait till after lunch? People tend to leave. Will we be able to maintain quorum?
Wouldn't it be better to vote now?

Anna Langthorn
I would... I would....

[Central Committee]
[Inaudible discussion]

Anna Langthorn
That's where we are. Yes. Of course.

[Central Committee]
[Inaudible debate].

Anna Langthorn
Everyone this is... this is debate. And we haven't moved into debate yet. So I'm going to ask that we hold on. A motion has been made and seconded. Yes Angela.

Angela Wilson
I was just... for the clarification of time. Can we just submit names to you. People that we would like to be on the committee, and then we don't have to pick people and we can just move on.

Wyatt McGuire
I would like my motion to stand.

Anna Langthorn
OK. Hang on. Y'all there is a procedure for this. The motion has been made and seconded. A follow up motion has been made to table it, but there hasn't been a second. Is there a second to that motion? To table. Angela seconds. OK. So at this point there is clearly a desire for debate on the motion. Yes.

Ali Canada
To table that are we going to talk about it? Because usually when we table something we don't talking about it.

Anna Langthorn
I need everyone to let me talk for just a moment. What I'm about to get to. Is that when a motion is made, anyone can call debate. If you all don't want to table, we can move into a debate on whether or not we table this motion. But we have to actually do that. We can't just all talk over each other. So would you like to debate on tabling the motion to form an ad hoc committee?

[Central Committee]
[Inaudible discussion].

Anna Langthorn

Ali can I answer Judy's question please. Currently there are two motions. There is a motion to form an ad hoc committee to advise the staff on convention preparation. That motion was made by Wyatt and seconded by Brondalyn. Brian has made a motion to table that motion. Angela has seconded it. So at this point. It's not debatable. I was wrong, sorry. We do have to vote on Brian's motion.

Joshua Harris-Till

Point of Information. Would the... would it be in the opinion of the chair that if we said maybe we wanted to table this motion until a specific time. That that might be until after lunch. That that might be more acceptable to some people who feel like this ad hoc committee motion is in order.

Anna Langthorn

I get the sense that it would not be more acceptable for some people. Yes. Let's vote. The motion on the floor currently is to table Wyatt's motion to form an ad hoc committee until after lunch. All those in favor of the motion please say Aye. All those opposed please say Nay. Nay. I believe the nays have it. So the motion is not tabled.

Wyatt's motion has been made and seconded. Now we actually have to vote on the motion. All those in favor of forming — right now — forming an ad hoc committee to advise the state party staff on the convention. Please say Aye. All those opposed please say nay. I think division. So OK. At this point. All those in favor of forming an ad hoc... yes Demerius?

Demetrius Bereolos

Some information. If you go back and look at the changes that we made in the bylaws, just because it'll have an impact on this. Just to give you some information. In Article 1 Section 1 of the newly amended bylaws it provides in subsection 2 any bid to host the committee shall identify site. Yada yada. The bid shall name a convention site coordinator or coordinating committee provide a budget for convention expenses and provide a working plan for the state convention. So what we could possibly do is consider making a motion to amend the bid or simply create an announcement that there would be a certain amount of time for people to submit names to a coordinating committee. But we've already got a coordinating committee in place, a committee in place to try to do that as opposed to a coordinator, it could be a committee. So I think the provisions are already there. To do this type of thing. And it would just be a question of the willingness of the coordinator or the chair. Just wanted to provide that information.

Anna Langthorn

OK. So I just heard Wyatt say the magic word to end debate and this is a debatable motion, to form a committee or not form a committee we haven't voted yet. So. All of those in favor of. Well. Here's going to do. Someone called division. We have to vote right now. So all those in favor of forming a committee to advise the staff on the convention. Please raise your hands. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17. OK. 17 in favor. All those opposed please raise your hand. 1, 2, 3, 4. OK. So 17 to 4, so we will form a committee.

Now I would throw it back to the author of the motion. How do you propose that we form the committee.

Wyatt McGuire

I'd either ask that whoever created the convention — so Ms. Byrd — pick someone to work with her and form the committee.

Anna Langthorn

Yeah. I think that is acceptable. Ok yes Alicia.

Alicia Andrews

I would just like to recommend that we do what Angela said. Have Ms. Byrd set a date for people to send her recommendations.

Anna Langthorn

That's generally how I like to do committees is get input. So. Christine. will send a request for individuals to everyone by next Friday for your recommendations. We will put together the committee by the following Friday and let everybody know. Does that does that work for everyone? OK.

So. All those in favor say, Aye. All those opposed, nay. The Ayes have it.

[Central Committee]

[Inaudible conversation].

Anna Langthorn

We'll make sure it gets done. OK so the next thing I believe we can move on from convention bid selection. The next thing on the agenda is election board appointments. We received a letter. I'm going to pass around the letter from election board. You're allowed to submit 10 names to the election board. Of people that we propose would be on the next state election board. Back in December and again in January, we asked that you will send us your recommendations for those people. From your recommendations we have compiled a list of 10 names. That list is being passed around right now. I can answer questions about them if you would like to. We can edit, amend... yes Demetrius. Whatever.

Demetrius Bereolos

And function of those persons?

Anna Langthorn

So they will serve as the... one is an election board member one is an alternate. Oh Dr. Mauldin. Can you tell us about your responsibilities on the election board.

Dr. Tim Mauldin

There are a number of meetings each year. There is a lot of research. Consultation. Contests of candidacy. Approving election results....

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Louder. Louder.

[Central Committee]

[Inaudible conversation]

Dr. Tim Mauldin

Oh I would say a half dozen meetings a year. Two or three hours depending on the issue or issues. We certify election results. [Inaudible] But importantly we're also called on by our state senators and our state representatives to do things or provide advice or whatever they may wish for us to do.

Anna Langthorn

So they serve as state election board members. I actually checked in the last few years it's been eight meetings, both years. They vote on disputes basically or on on election rulings. We submit a list of 10. The governor from that list appoints one member and one alternate. And so like I said this is the list that we have put together from the recommendations that we received from central committee members. At this point I would happily answer any questions.

[Central Committee]

[Inaudible discussion]

Anna Langthorn

So. To be clear there is a motion to remove Jason Nichols from this list. Anna Langthorn
And replace Jason with Josh Harris-Till. Is there a second? Seconded by Ali Canada.

[Central Committee]

[Inaudible conversation]

Anna Langthorn

So. Is there a friendly amendment?

Brondalyn Coleman

There is.

Anna Langthorn

Ok. Both the motion maker and the seconder are in favor of the amendment? Ok.

Angela Wilson

Can I get some advice from the chair?

Anna Langthorn

Sure.

Angela Wilson

So my intention — it's nothing against Jason Nichols at all — my intention was to swap out CD2 for CD2.
Was the purpose.

Anna Langthorn

I think that's totally fair, in all honesty, in a full moment of disclosure. I was trying to fill out the list this morning including people from CD2 particularly including Indigenous people because there aren't that many on the list. That is why Jason ended up on there.

Angela Wilson

Ok. So. My notion is that somebody comes off and Josh is put on.

Brondalyn Coleman

My friendly to her motion. Is that we take Debi Thompson off, and replace her with Josh.

Anna Langthorn

OK. So the motion on the floor is to remove Debi Thompson from the list of nominations. Made by Brondalyn Coleman. Is there a second? Seconded by Alicia Andrews and Debbie Lobdell-Brooks. Is there debate?

Judy Calhoun

Point of information. Could you please give me where everybody's from.

Anna Langthorn

Yeah. So Michelle Bouey is from Oklahoma City, and this is something that I will upfront tell you that it is Oklahoma City and Tulsa heavy. So you all may want to consider pulling people from there. Kimberly Fobbs is from Tulsa, as we all know. Toby Jenkins is from Tulsa. Tim Mouldin is from Norman. Jason Nichols is from Talequah. Wes Robinson is for Wagner. Waneitta Romo is from Oklahoma City. Debi Thompson is from Chandler. Eleanor Thompson is from Oklahoma City. Amy Zacker is from Wagner. Ok. At this point though... we do have to go back. There is a motion that has been made and seconded. Only Brondalyn can withdrawl her motion. So it's an unfriendly amendment currently unless there is an update from you all.

Angela Wilson

We worked it out. So because we are CD1 and CD5 heavy, we picked somebody from CD1 — a male — Toby Jenkins. We would like to. Amend this list — that is our official motion — to remove Toby Jenkins and add Josh Harris-Till.

Anna Langthorn

Ok. So...

Alicia Andrews

He's our LGBT representative.

Angela Wilson

OK... just kidding... hold on. I'm going to find someone...

Anna Langthorn

Ok. So. currently the motion is withdrawn. We're just going to start there and workshop for a second. I would not be opposed to it... we might want to table this only until after the next item of new business. So that everyone has an opportunity to look over the list, talk to each other, or maybe we take a five minute break for everyone to do that. But clearly we need some time to talk and figure something out. Ok. So is there a motion.

Alicia Andrews

I move that we table this for five minutes for discussion.

Anna Langthorn

OK. So we're going to take a... well actually we need a second. So... moved by Alisha. Seconded by Brondalyn. All those in favor of us taking a five minute break to caucus and discuss amending the list, so that it is as representative as possible. Please say Aye. All those opposed please say nay. The ayes have it.

Anna Langthorn

All those in favor please say, Aye.

[Central Committee]

Aye.

Anna Langthorn

All those opposed please say, nay.

Marguerite said Aye. Is Dee Dee still on the phone.

So... the motion passes.

So the new list.

Brondalyn Coleman

Wait. On a motion.

Anna Langthorn

Ok.

Brondalyn Coleman

I would like to make a motion that we remove Debi Thompson. And replace her with Amber Jensen from CD2.

Anna Langthorn

Okay. One second. Okay... so the motion is to remove Debi Thompson and replace her with Amber Jensen — who are both from CD3. Is there a second.

Wyatt McGuire

Second.

Anna Langthorn

So... moved by Brondalyn. We'll say seconded by Wyatt. OK. To remove Debi Thompson, replace her with Amber Jensen. All those in favor please say, Aye.

[Central Committee]

Aye.

Anna Langthorn
All those opposed please say, Nay.

[Central Committee]
Nay.

Anna Langthorn
The Ayes have it. So... We'll remove Debi and replace her with Amber.

OK. Are there any other motions regarding the list. There aren't any other amendments? OK. Is there a motion to... oh yes, Demetrius.

Demetrius Bereolos
I'll move that we submit this list of nominees for the state election board.

Anna Langthorn
Excellent. Seconded by Alicia. OK. Moved by Demetrius, second by Alicia. That we submit this list — Imma read it out loud now for the record — of Michelle Bouie, Kimberly Fobbs, Toby Jenkins, Tim Mauldin, Jason Nichols, Wes Robinson, Wanita Romo, Amber Jensen, Eleanor Thompson, and Joshua Harris-Till to the election board. All those in favor please say, Aye.

[Central Committee]
Aye.

Anna Langthorn
All those opposed... oh thank you Marguerite. All of those opposed please say, Nay. Ok.

Now I don't... I don't want to get into too much in the weeds. 1. I will need contact information for everybody that's on the list. We have most of it already but we have to submit that to the election board. 2. If when we go back through all these people. If there are people who do not want to serve. Are you comfortable with keeping the names that we had on there in substitution for whoever doesn't want to serve. OK. So we will submit the list... at any vote. We're asking for unanimous consent.

Debbie Hogue-Downing
Just a point of clarification. Have all these people been contacted. Are they willing to serve? If so chosen.

Anna Langthorn
I... I believe yes. Now some of these are from recommendation. So for instance I know that Marguerite went painstakingly through and called everybody. I assume that everybody did that. I'm going to call and double check. Just to make sure before we send the list to the election board. So. What I'm asking for is unanimous consent that in the event that two of these people don't want to serve. That we replace them with Debi Thompson and Amy Zacker who I know both have confirmed that they do. So. Without objection. Without objection. Without objection. So. Great. Thank you all.

OK. The next item on the agenda is the appointment of a new CD4 chair. May or may not know that Justin, received a job in Arizona. And has moved. So CD4 is on the search for new people. But in the meantime Alexandra has agreed to move up as CD4 chair. She couldn't make it today, I don't remember

why. School. Yeah yeah. So... is there a motion to accept Alexander Scott as the new congressional district four chair.

Moved by Judy Calhoun, seconded by Ali Canada. All those in favor please say, Aye.

[Central Committee]
Aye.

Anna Langthorn
All those opposed please say, Nay... OK. Great.

So moving through. Yes.

Nadine Gallagher
Sorry. Point of clarification. I also in CD5 have — after this was done — two interim appointments. Can I do these now?

Anna Langthorn
Yeah, let's do it now.

Nadine Gallagher
OK. I would move to appoint Yasminda Chote as interim chair of Seminole County.

Anna Langthorn
OK. So it has been moved by Nadine Gallagher, seconded by Ward Curtin. I would like to, on point of clarification, have we received official notice from the county officers.

Nadine Gallagher
I have tried for a long long time to get in touch with anyone in the Leonard family. I have had no phone calls returned. I have no emails return. And... i've had other people that contacted them said that Jason said just leave me alone. So I'm just going with...

Anna Langthorn
Yes, Angela?

Angela Wilson
County chair and Officer vacancies don't have to be brought before this body, they can be... chosen... selected and voted on within district Central Committees.

Anna Langthorn
So. OK that's a fair point. We don't need to vote. I do want the body to understand before we say yeah Nadine you're cool... That we have not heard from the current county officers. So they had technically not waive the right to a convention but they have not responded within the 30 days, right?

Nadine Gallagher
They have not responded.

Anna Langthorn
So Nadine is going to move forward... Yes Debbie?

Debbie Hogue-Downing
Just clarification, the chair died?

Anna Langthorn
Yes. Yes.

Debbie Hogue-Downing
Some people may not have known the current or the former chair recently died.

Nadine Gallagher
I wanted to know if Jason, her husband wanted to move up to be chair and I have not been able to get in touch with anyone in the family.

Anna Langthorn
So. Because they have not responded you're going to assume that they waive the right to a convention. Nadine has appointed Yasminda to Choate as the Seminole County chair. OK.

Nadine Gallagher
I have also because this happened last week, and because we haven't met and its here and now. I would like to also appoint Christine Faulkner as an interim secretary to the Oklahoma County Party, as Dustin, recently resigned. Again this happened last week, it's here it's now. We're trying to plan all these conventions and to wait until we can work it out just we're here its now, lets do it.

Anna Langthorn
Assuming thats fine with the CD5 officers, then that's again just something we accept and it's officially on the record. Christine Faulkner is the secretary for the Oklahoma County Democratic Party through the convention just like Yasminda.

Ok. The next thing on the agenda is... is the budget. But I believe Rachael you want to table that for the moment.

Rachael Hunsucker
Yes, I'd like to table that till after lunch.

Anna Langthorn
All right. So there's a motion to table the budget until the treasurer's report. Is there a second? Seconded by Angela Wilson. All those in favor please say, Aye.

[Central Committee]
Aye.

Anna Langthorn
All those opposed say, Nay.

So the next thing is we have two options. It is 11:40. Lunch is here. We can either move on to the next item of business which is the affirmative action complaint regarding democratic leaders and elected officials endorsing Republicans. Or we can save that conversation for after lunch because it's going to be a lengthy one, I'm sure, and have lunch now. So. I will leave it up to you the body to decide what we do.

Ali Canada

I guess I'll let y'all eat.

Anna Langthorn

All right. There's a promotion to recess for lunch. We have sandwiches here, there's a variety of sandwiches. I think that a 45 minute lunch is more than sufficient. So let's plan on coming back here at 12:30. There is a motion, is there a second? Seconded by Alicia. All those in favor of recessing for lunch for 45 minutes please say, Aye. Opposed say, nay.

The Ayes have it.

Anna Langthorn

That is the formal Complaint from the Affirmative Action Committee and the African-American federation. Regarding democratic elected officials and leaders endorsing Republicans in the last month or so, leading up to the election. Ali would you like to say something about your complaint?

Ali Canada

Here we are. We worked very hard this last election. We knocked doors. We held voter registration. We also worked with the coordinated campaign. Ok. As we were working on the campaign we noticed there were articles in the paper. In the Oklahoman. Democrats for Republicans. For Mike Hunter. And... my thing is... and y'all can disagree with me... A democrat who supports a Republican. You're really supporting Donald Trump's agenda. So...

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Amen....

Ali Canada

OK. So. We got together. The African-American Federation. Got together with them we filed a complaint. So Senator Sparks, he's posting on his Facebook page, support the Republican over a Democrat. Ok. My thing is this... ok. We are tasked with getting our candidates for marginalized communities because it's affirmative action's job to get candidates to actually run on the ballot. Once we get them on the ballot it surprising to see leadership... some are elected, some ex-officio that have been in office... come out against Democrats. Ok. And I believe if you were in that type of position, that you shouldn't go against our candidates. If you do... Keep it to yourself. Do not put it on paper. Do not put it on the news. OK. I was told. If we want to use a Democratic name. We have come in front of the Central Committee. OK. But. It. Was never OK to use our names. OK. We want them censored. Their credentials taken away from them. Where they cannot participate in our convention. Right now, we don't want to participate. Ok. And if you look at the list that they did this to. All these people that they did this to was from marginalized communities. This is not the first time this could happen. OK. This happened before in the past. OK. If you support our party support it. OK. Support our candidates. Ok. What are we gonna do about this? Ok. Because it's not right. That's why I filed a complaint on behalf of the volunteers working so hard on the ground this last election. I would think that something should be done about this. Ok. These people

should not be able to get away with it. They should not be able to sit at our conventions. That's it. Show that we not playing. So next time in 2020 we have elections. No Democrats for Republicans.

Anna Langthorn
Nadine.

Nadine Gallagher
I don't know if this is appropriate. So I guess... Can I make it a friendly amendment to this, or would I have to do a separate motion to add a name that is not in there.

Anna Langthorn
For a moment I don't believe you can make a motion yet. Yes Alicia.

Alicia Andrews
And I just wanted to add just a point of clarification. Overwhelmingly, candidates of marginalized communities... it happened to them but not... not only. Because Fred Dorrell also had high rating Democrats come out against him publicly. But it doesn't change the dynamics of what happened in marginalized communities. And what happened on the ground.

Anna Langthorn
So. Is there a motion. Yes.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks
I make a motion number one that we censure. And number two that we take all rights for becoming a super delegate at this next convention taken away.

Anna Langthorn
That's just the DNC....

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks
Yeah OK I'll go with that and modify that.

Anna Langthorn
The motion is that any Democratic elected official that is on this list. Ok. So. The motion on the floor, is that everybody on the list listed in Ali's complaint... with the addition of Anastasia Pittman... be censured. Ok. So everyone on the list. With the addition of Anastasia Pittman be censured. And not be allowed to run to be a delegate for the 2020 convention — the 2020 national convention. Is there a second? Seconded by Nadine Gallagher. OK. At this point, I think it is appropriate for any clarification questions to be asked of the author. We'll go with you Senator Young.

Sen. George Young
Did Anastasia make a statement? I don't think she did.

Nadine Gallagher
Anastasia Pittman at the time was a state senator — she wasn't — as the Constitution says an ex officio member of this body. She campaigned, endorsed, and did a robocall for the Republican in the race for House District 94. A contested race with a Democrat. And I understand if there isn't a Democrat running

and that happens sometimes. But there was a Democrat running for that seat. And she not only endorsed him but but recorded a robocall ad that said this is Senator Anastasia Pittman. I got the call because I am in House District 94.

Anna Langthorn
Demetrius then Angela.

Demetrius Bereolos
Had a question about what rule gives us the capacity to say that we can block them from being delegates to state and national convention?

Anna Langthorn
I think that is a relevant question. I have heard the argument made that it is up to the Credentials Committee to make those decisions. The credentials committee of the convention, so that if a... well I guess there's two parts to this. If they wanted to be delegates to our convention — to the state convention — someone could challenge their credentials. And the credentials committee could rule on that. That actually isn't included in this motion, I realize now. In terms of running to be a national delegate. We being the state party, and the affirmative action committee are actually in the midst of working on the delegate selection plan. Which outlines the rules for how you run to be a delegate. And what requirements are. So I don't believe off the top of my head that this is addressed.

Demetrius Bereolos
OK. And then my second question is. That judging by prior delegate selection plans, is not the case that if you're seeking to be a national delegate one of the multiple categories whether it's, elected official or whatever. That your name is submitted to a coordinator of that particular presidential candidate? That that presidential candidate makes a determination as to how the list will be shortened down to no less than three males and three females.

Anna Langthorn
Yes that is correct. Everybody who wants to run to be a delegate is submitted to the candidates that they have pledged their vote to. You've got it exactly. A candidate can limit it down to three people per position.

Angela Wilson
Point of clarification. This list is very extensive. I see a lot of them are former former electeds. Are any of these people listed including Anastacia Pittman, we're any of them delegate to our state convention by virtue of coming up through that. Which of those would be which. Which of those. Which of these people have been involved not an ex officio status. But actually elected through our processes.

Anna Langthorn
So I think to clarify if you don't mind. The question is of the people on this list. How many of them have been convention delegates in the last six years.

Angela Wilson
The reason I am questioning this is because a lot of these people especially the people that used to be... like former Governor George Nigh, for example. He's not active in our election processes. He's not active within the party, at this point. Yes he's a Democrat but. He has a voice, and has the right to freedom of

speech. So I was just curious how many of them like rose through those ranks and have actually been party leaders within our party.

Brondalyn Coleman

I guess clarification. Is it not abnormal for people to often decide to get involved in politics. We're getting closer to the time of selecting the DNC delegates. So it's not available for anyone on this list or anyone in this room or people outside of us. That may have made those decisions in the past to support Republican candidates openly. But... make those decisions and then all of a sudden get involved in politics.

[Central Committee]

[inaudible conversation].

Anna Langthorn

We are verging into debates. So if there are any clarification questions about the motion....

Joshua Harris-Till

I don't know if this is like the official list. Right here...

Anna Langthorn

I'm saying this is the official list.

Joshua Harris-Till

Ok. I would like to add Jason Dunnington and Shane Stone.

Anna Langthorn

Ok. So whether or not we have to vote on it depends on whether the original motion maker accepts that. So you accept it. And you accept it....

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

I guess I would ask for a point of information. I'm very aware of that situation with Jason Dunnington. On Shane Stone I'm not. Somebody please update me. I really I have no information on that one. I have no problem with the Dunnington addition. I don't think we should take pictures on our front yard with our children and a Republican sign.

Anna Langthorn

Are you talking about Shane Stone endorsing his Dad — the city council race where he endorsed was his father.

Joshua Harris-Till

Yes. His Dad is a registered republican.

Wyatt McGuire

That's a nonpartisan race....

Joshua Harris-Till

He ran as registered Republican against a Democrat.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

I will not add Shane Stone's name but I do understand the issues with Dunnington and am shocked about it.

Anna Langthorn

Ok. So at this point are there any other clarification questions for the author of the motion? Yes Judy.

Judy Calhoun

When you talk about censuring what I know is it has a lot of different explanations on what people think that means. I mean I don't know exactly what... Are we just going to take away credentials?

Anna Langthorn

Thats what were going to limit, that they are not eligible to be delegates to the state convention, or the national convention, or receive VAN — in the event that they ran for office.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Because VAN will kill them if they're going to come back and try to run in two years.

Joshua Harris-Till

You can't take away an elected official VAN. Their responsibility to their community thats why they need VAN.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

You do realize that we had an elected official who used us and van and got elected and then switched parties!?!....

Joshua Harris-Till

You're not punishing the representative you're punishing their district.

Anna Langthorn

OK here we are getting into a debate now and it seems that there are a lot of nuances that have come up in this discussion that we can talk about. Again, clarification questions not arguments. So. Information.

Angela Wilson

The constitution and bylaws I believe says that our elections are open to any registered Democrat living in that district. So I don't believe we even have the power to take that away.

[Central Committee]

[Inaudible conversation].

Anna Langthorn

OK. So at this point, we are going to move in to debate because I think everyone thoroughly understands what we're discussing.

[Central Committee]

[Inaudible argument].

Anna Langthorn

Ok. So. There is an argument that the motion is out of order, rather than me ruling on it being out of order, and then having somebody vote to overrule the decision of the chair, I'm gonna go ahead and just let us all vote. Because regardless of what way I rule, that's where we're gonna end up. So at this point I would like to take a vote of the Central Committee about whether or not you believe the motion to censure democratic leaders, specifically meaning that they would be ineligible to become delegates to the state convention or the national convention. Whether that motion is in order. All those in favor... we're going to do hand raising. So all those who agreed that the motion is out of order. Who can be delegates to the convention....

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Point of information... Brian.

Brian Jones

Yes.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

You have a legal opinion on this.

Brian Jones

Well I multiple opinions on this. And I think it would make the most sense to raise them during debate.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Would it save us time if we're going to go into a debate about something that we have no right to? Tell us right now.

Brian Jones

A couple of things, but I don't think it's appropriate at this point or....

Demetrius Bereolos

Just for some clarification... so we are couching the term censure as meaning entirely a denial of the ability to be a delegate in the future.

Anna Langthorn

My understanding is that it also includes VAN access. And I think when we when we get past whether we think it's in order, if we continue this conversation we should continue to clarify.

[Central Committee]

[Inaudible converstaion]

Anna Langthorn

Hang on I have to clarify with Earl. Ward did call the question. So I believe we have to vote, right? Ok. OK. OK. So yes we are moving into debate all those who believe that Debbie's motion is out of order. Please go to my right. To this side of the room. All those who believe it in order. Go to the left, you will each be given 3 minutes.

Anna Langthorn

Just start wrapping up and deciding who your speakers will be and what order they're going in.

Nadine Gallagher

You want me on this... It may.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

What... let's invite. First of all... yes yes yes yes.

Anna Langthorn

Everyone come back. So. I agree with Alisha's recommendation. We'll do three minutes on each side.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

That doesn't include introduction of... passion passion passion. We want that.

Anna Langthorn

So we will start. With those who believe the motion is out of order, then we will go to those who believe the motion is in order. I think the easiest thing to do is just give you, all of your three minutes and your speakers to go in succession. And then. And then we'll be done. So when six minutes we'll be done. OK. So those who believe the motion is out of order, who is your first speaker?

Brian Jones

I'm conflicted. I think that the spirit of this motion is well taken. I think that we have principles. We have the values. And. The members of this party and. Former. Elected officials in this party. Are. It's a it's a moral problem but I think because it's a moral problem. We need to be looking to how we forestall this kind of thing from happening in the future. And I think that requires us building this party up into the kind of organization that no elected official present or past would want to cross by endorsing somebody else. But on the specific question before this body of whether this motion is in order. Here's my argument for why its out of order. I read the complaint. To ask this body to do two things. To censor these officials not censure to censor because what the complaint says is we don't want them speaking at any democratic party meeting. This body does not have the authority, to tell a county organization, a district organization. Who they can and cannot hear from who they can and cannot invite you to speak at their meetings. So I think on the censorship point, again. We don't have the authority to tell lower parts or, subsidiary portions of this party who they can and can't listen to or hear from. And we got a very important argument Mr. Mayor make this... and this... is a pattern to be this in our discussions but there is a First Amendment principle here. There is a free speech principle here. And whether you like what these people did or don't to take action against them because of an opinion that they raise even though we're not bound by the First Amendment we're not the government. It does violate the spirit of the First Amendment. And so I think on the censorship point we just don't have any authority on the credentialing point. The argument is even more strong that we don't have that authority, again because challenging the credentials of any person who seeks to be a delegate at any stage of the leadership process is something that is only; that can only happen at that meeting. You can challenge the credentials of a person who seeks to become a delegate at a meeting, at the precinct meeting, of the county meeting, at the district meeting, or at the state convention. But we. As the central committee. Cannot — we CAN NOT — issue a ruling on the credentials of a person who hasn't even sought to be a delegate yet. So while I agree in spirit with what you're attempting to do. This motion is out of order and this body should reject. Or should say its out of order.

Anna Langthorn

There are 39 seconds remaining. Would anyone else like to... hang on. Ali... We're going to get to the in order side. Would anyone else like to speak. Uh... arguing that it is out of order. Angela.

Angela Wilson

Just real quick. I think it's important; I agree that something should be done. I do not think we have the power to do it. We have our constitution and bylaws. That's what we're working within the confines of. Clearly in it, it states that any registered Democrat can seek these positions and any challenges have to be brought before the Credentials Committee. It is in our Constitution, it is in our bylaws, that what we work through. That's just the way we are.

Anna Langthorn

OK. 13 seconds remaining. Would anyone else like to speak that it is out of order.

Earl Mitchell

There's one legal term, called prior constraint. We can't do that. Legally. In terms of the first amendment.

Nadine Gallagher

The rules here are very clear, anyone can challenge. Only thing we can do is say we... we will read bylaw 12 that's what will take care of the problem.

Anna Langthorn

OK. There are six seconds added to the 32...

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

32 not 12....

Anna Langthorn

OK 6 seconds added to those who believe it is in order. Ali. Are you going to speak? Do you have a question? Hang on hang on. You didn't have any time. Three minutes and six seconds. OK. So. Who. Was speaking first. Ok.

Ali Canada

OK I'll give it all this out of order. I think is out of the order, when people form marginalized communities, especially Mark, and me. And then we have democrats from another communities, come and put out this stuff like this in the newspaper. And I see a couple of things on TV like that. So how you think that guy is suppose to go back to my community... and tell my community that the Democratic Party does not... support any of our candidates. Because thats what it look like. That's what it look like. Because these are all ex-officials, and elected people and all. You make it look to our community like they always said to our community; The Democratic Party dont care about us. And I believe that... I've been on the Central Committee now two years. I'm begining to believe that to. When it comes to Affirmative Action. In this Party. Ok. The inclusion thing... Yall should stop say it. Yall dont practice it. Practice what you preach. OK. My thing is. Went to a meeting in North Tulsa... that they was talking about this... at a meeting up in North Tulsa. They was talking about this. In my community. Why is our candidates on the ballot an people from other communities put out stuff like our candidates not worthy...

Nadine Gallagher

All right. OK. I believe that what you're talking about censoring that that that is a consequence and we can talk what the consequences are. The fact remains that the Central Committee is the governing body of a private organization. And we have rules and we have a constitution. And when you violate them and you are a Democrat who openly endorses a campaigns for a Republican, against a Democrat, you have violated our constitution and bylaws. And. The first amendment. Does not apply to a private organization. We are not a government organization. So what we are talking about is consequences for actions. This is wrong, what they did. Senator. Do you believe that what's happened here is wrong?

Anna Langthorn

You can't... you just have to talk....

Nadine Gallagher

I wanted to ask him if he said he was going to speak.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

She's... she's... she yielding to the Senator for just one moment. To give an opinion from a cynic Senator.

Anna Langthorn

Go ahead.

Sen. George Young

Well. Obviously I think that they should not have done that. I don't know what the consequence ought to be and I hear that we don't know either. I... It's bad form and Ali raises a good point, it does cause some racial concerns with particular candidates. So, that's a double whammy for this whole thing. It was a bad deal, therefore, didn't look good.

Anna Langthorn

There are 14 seconds left.

Alicia Andrews

I want to say real quickly. I have had my credentials challenged at several conventions. In advance.

Nadine Gallagher

I belie... I believe that this is completely in order and we can certainly argue what the consequences for these bad actions are, but these are bad actors, and they need tough consequences.

Anna Langthorn

All right. So we have now debated.

Brondalyn Coleman

Point of Information. Chair, could you have her elaborate on what she meant by her credentials were challenged.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Yeah! I would like to know that too.

Alicia Andrews

I mean. I wasn't trying to open another can of worms. Actually, speaking to Brian's point. We can't pre — challenge Credentials Um... my credentials have been challenged at every convention I went to, in advance after my election... in advance. Now the actual thing hadn't happened yet, but way in advance, my credentials were challenged. They were on a list, I knew they were going to be challenged when I got there. So... this body has done it before... it does have a precedence. That's all I wanted to say.

Anna Langthorn

That is good information. At this point. I think it is appropriate for us to vote.

Angela Wilson

I have one question. I am so sorry. What we were arguing against... for basically the specific censorship that we outlined. So for Nadine to say that we can argue about that later... I feel like that makes this whole point moot. I'm just throwing that out there.

Anna Langthorn

Was that a question?

Angela Wilson

I don't know I guess I'm asking you, like....

Anna Langthorn

To clarify, specifically on what we are ruling in or not in order — is that we right now — say that not that their credentials will be challenged, but that they are not eligible to run. Is my understanding what the initial motion was, and that they will not have VAN access... and a variety of other things.

Nadine Gallagher

I think we were arguing whether this was in order or out of order.

Anna Langthorn

But that's what we're discussing is in or out of order.

Nadine Gallagher

I think it was the general idea that we are going to take action on these people. That's what I'm assuming.

Anna Langthorn

Those are different kinds of actions that we could take that may be in or out of order. Yes Josh.

Joshua Harris-Till

So. Which is... what was confusing about the whole debate because there is the motion that was made. By... Dr Brooks. And then there was the challenge on whether or not we have the authority to do that. So what we were supposed to be arguing. And what we're supposed to be deciding on is whether or not we have the authority to censor somebody not what those censors are or anything like.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Feel like I'm in a remedial class...

Brondalyn Coleman

(inaudible)... taken place that we use this authority to pre — sanction people prior to this speech.

Anna Langthorn

Judy.

Judy Calhoun

I would like to ask our past governor who's dealt with a lot of this stuff. Do you have any...

Anna Langthorn

Nope. We've had plenty of debate and if Governor Walters had wanted to debate, he would have.

Judy Calhoun

I'm not saying debate but does he have a legal knowledge of the situation.

Alicia Andrews

We have to... we have to at least for (inaudible)....

Wyatt McGuire

We call the question to end debate.

Anna Langthorn

Yes we have (inaudible)... So again. We are voting on whether or not you believe that it is in order for us to censor Democratic leaders who have endorsed Republicans. Whether we have the Democratic Party Central Committee have the authority to do that. If you believe it is out of order. Please raise your hand. If it is out of order. If we do not have the authority to do this. One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight.

Eight people believe that is out of order.

If you do not believe that it is out, that it is in order. Please raise your hands. One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve.

Twelve people believe it is in order.

So we are going to go ahead and move forward with the motion. Now this is when we need to remember the specifics of the motion. And I would also like to ask some questions of the author of the motion to clarify some things, but that we are... we are censoring them. Which includes; they will not be given access to VAN in the event that they run for office. What about in the event that they....

Brondalyn Coleman

Point of clarification, is that a timeframe up until 2020?

Brian Jones

What was the margin on the vote total, on the motion.

Anna Langthorn

Eight to twelve.

Wyatt McGuire

Could I suggest that you withdraw the motion and we do it piecemeal one of a time.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Probably a good idea.

Wyatt McGuire

We want to revoke VAN and run-ability...

Anna Langthorn

OK.

Wyatt McGuire

It's really confusing.

Anna Langthorn

I believe that that is very smart. Are you amenable to that?

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

I am completely amenable to that and it's probably much more manageable.

Anna Langthorn

OK. So we have withdrawn the motion. So now we have agreed that we have some authority to do some kind of censorship. Let's get into the details of what that is. Is there a motion on the floor. Demetrius.

Demetrius Bereolos

I'd like to move that the state central committee sends a letter, to each of the Democratic presidential candidate coordinators... indicating that we have censured this list of candidates and asking that they not be considered to be national convention delegates from Oklahoma.

Anna Langthorn

OK. So I want to clarify, I think, what Demetrius is talking about, because it might be cart before horse. Because... because what happens... well kind of... I guess I see where you're coming from. So what happens is we as the state party set a deadline for people to announce their intent to run to be delegates, and to pledge their loyalty to a presidential candidate. Once that deadline has passed and we have our list we submit that list to the presidential candidates, and they strike people from the list. So what that would address, is if they honored our request, they would strike those in the event that they want to run to be national delegates. They would strike them from the list. I... I think that is a workable solution. If they run that doesn't affect them running to be state delegate, so if that is intended to include that... FYI. So, you've made a motion.

Demetrius Bereolos

Yes.

Anna Langthorn

There is... is there a second for...? OK. So. To clarify, motion has been made and seconded. Oh Alicia seconded, I'm sorry.

Motion was made by Demetrius Bereolos, seconded by Alicia Andrews.

The motion is that we will send this list to the presidential coordinators for each presidential campaign — clarifying as a reminder that the Central Committee will look totally different when we get there potentially — requesting that they strike the people on this list in the event that they are interested in being national delegates from their list, from the people who are eligible to run. Is there debate? Ok.

Nadine Gallagher

I want to make an amendment. I would like to add that that would be included in our state delegate plan.

Wyatt McGuire

We can do that.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

We can do that next. Let's just do one at a time. Let's do national.

Anna Langthorn

So. I would like to clarify again, this is the list including Anastasia Pittman, John Sparks, and Jason Dunnington.

Brian Jones

Not Shane Stone.

Anna Langthorn

But not Shane Stone.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Right, not Shane Stone.

Anna Langthorn

OK. All those....

Demetrius Bereolos

In terms of accepting the amendment, I think we would be in trouble when our State Delegate... in our delegate selection plan, if we point out... (inaudible)...

Anna Langthorn

OK. We decided to do that separately. So we'll debate it when it comes up. All those in favor of sending this list to every presidential campaign requesting that they deny them the right to be delegates to the national 2020 convention, please raise your hand. One, two... one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen. I'm going to count again. Sorry. One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, eighteen.

Eighteen in favor of sending this list of Democratic leaders to presidential candidates.

All those opposed please raise your hand. One, two, three, four.

Four opposed. OK.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

[To Gov. Walters] Wish we'd had your input on it...

Anna Langthorn

OK.

Gov. David Walters

I do too...

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Crap...

Anna Langthorn

I called for debate Governor Walters. Ok... so. The motion has passed. So we will send a list of these people to presidential coordinators. I... I would argue that we not get too much into this. That it would be most appropriate to send that closer... when all of the candidates have announced. And when their actually in that process. Clarifying it'll be... Yes Nadine.

Nadine Gallagher

I would like to make a motion. That the central committee sent a letter posthaste to all of the people on this list telling them that they have in fact been censured by the Oklahoma Democratic Party Central Committee, for their actions during the 2018 election cycle.

Ilka Heiskell

I'll second that.

Anna Langthorn

OK. The motion is made by Nadine Gallagher, that we send a letter....

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Should we have an amendment... May I... May I suggest....

Brondalyn Coleman

Wait. No matter what the letter needs to go out, so that we can add the stuff that we want the sanction in the letter. The letter is going to go out no matter what.

Anna Langthorn

OK. OK. So the motion in made by Nadine Gallagher, seconded by Ilka Heiskell that we will send a letter, from the Central Committee. All your names are going to be on it. Informing... Alicia... informing these democratic leaders that we are displeased with their actions and what the consequences of them will be. OK. Is there... The motions been made and seconded. Is there debate?

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Amendment. Possibly no....

Anna Langthorn
There's....

Brondalyn Coleman
Because we want to... we want to... push a motion, vote, and move forward. Each thing just....

Anna Langthorn
Well I have to call for debate every time.

Brondalyn Coleman
Oh... no no no. She said amendment and I'm saying hold off on that.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks
OK.

Anna Langthorn
So... but debate has been called. So. We're gonna go all those in favor of the motion which is to send a letter to each of these people over here. (inaudible conversation)... Ok. So. Here's what we're going to do. We'll do... we'll do two minutes for debate. One minute for each side. We'll stay in your seat. We're going to popcorn it. So if you had an opinion, raise your hand the first person I see is who is going to get to talk. Governor Walters is going first on why he's opposed to it.

Gov. David Walters
Yes. I'm sorry I missed the earlier call for debate. This is... this is ah... You are all very sophisticated about this process thing so I'm not going to engage in that. Ali and them have done a good job in terms of thinking through this and filing a complaint and bringing this to everyone's attention. The opportunity to take some terminations on people who supported on the wrong side, has been a recurring theme in the party for the 40 years that I've been around. And it's always a bad idea and I can run them through this list and tell you what each of these individuals do for other Democratic candidates in the state. Suffice it to say, there is at least a million dollars of money that was raised out of that list for Democratic candidates. They don't care whether you censure them other than that they'd be pissed off about it. And we'll never get another dime. Or they'll never be involved in politics again. And the idea that George Nigh in his mid 90s will get in the car and let me drive him to Cherokee County to rally the Cherokee County Democratic Women. But if he and Donna would go to five different events for Drew Edmondson and helped raise money for that campaign and give speeches on his behalf, and then he gets a letter from us censoring him is just beyond the Pale, frankly. We're mad about it. And we should be. And I'm going to talk to George about it and going to talk to Brad Henry about it. They need to know better but there's a lot of extenuating circumstances behind this. And I'm happy, if I had another minute I'd tell you about it but, it might be worth, just the sense of the body because there is there's a there's quite a story here and I'd be happy to answer questions.

Ali Canada
I believe that DC committee people are brilliant people. Your a D.C. committee-person now. OK. They should address things like this. I've been following the election series since I've been in Oklahoma. This is not the first time this done happened. OK. But this is the first time they he had the nerve enough to put it

in the newspaper. And the first time on TV to have a list of people. I'm just sitting there watching this. I'm like what democrats are like this? You serious. You really supporting undercover Donald Trump?

Nadine Gallagher

I just I would argue that if this has been going on for 40 years maybe it's time somebody stood up and

Anna Langthorn

Judy. What are you speaking for? For or against?

Judy Calhoun

Against.

Anna Langthorn

There's no time left.

Judy Calhoun

Oh sorry. We don't broad brush y'all.

Anna Langthorn

There's 20 seconds remaining, for those in favor of sending the letter.

Nadine Gallagher

I guess ultimately I would say if you are going to censure people, and say you should not do this, I think you should have the decency to tell them that you're doing it.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Oh yeah. Yes.

Alicia Andrews

OK. I have a question for Governor Walters. What do you suggest instead of a letter?

Gov. David Walters

I suggest everybody thats upset about it, contact them and tell them about it...

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

They have....

Gov. David Walters

But not to publicly shame them. I mean this is like dog shaming. Brad Henry would be very happy not to lend a hand when it comes to Medicaid expansion or any of these other issues. If we chase them away we're... we're in a vortex right now. We're down 225,000 in voter registrations. Down another eight seats. We're in a vortex chasing these people out of the party will only accelerate that.

Brondalyn Coleman

Point of Information. Whats the last time George Nigh or Brad Henry actually gave money to the Democratic Party?

Anna Langthorn

In 2018. They are both \$1000 donors to the party.

Ali Canada

So just because they give money to the party, that gives them the right to do what they did.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Yes...

Anna Langthorn

(inaudible cross conversations) OK... so.

Joshua Harris-Till

Can we extend debate?

Anna Langthorn

You would like to extend debate.

There's a motion to extend debate. Is there a second. Actually let's clarify your motion; or how long?

Three minutes total? Ok. Two minutes per side. OK. There is a motion to extend debate four minutes; two minutes per side. If there's a second. Seconded by Angela. All those in favor of the motion please say, Aye.

[Central Committee]

Aye.

Anna Langthorn

All those opposed say, Nay... Ok.

So there are two minutes remaining for each side. We'll start with those opposed. I'm going to Angela and then Judy. Use your time wisely.

Angela Wilson

I'll be quick. I just want to say that many of these people that we're talking about I've looked up to for many many years. They don't always make the right call. None of us always make the right call. They are private people. They were not saying the Oklahoma Democratic Party supports these people. They as former elected support these people. They have that right. And I'm just... I want to vomit listening to this. Because that list of people has pulled this party out of the sinkhole... more times than you can count. They have... put money, blood, sweat, tears, into building this party. And we're going to turn around and slap them in the face, instead of just making it a private issue. I think it's ridiculous.

Ali Canada

So... so you believe....

Anna Langthorn

OK. Hang on Ali. So there are two minutes of debate for those who are opposed. Judy.

Judy Calhoun

And you guys, you know how I feel about this. Especially with Fred Dorrell and Kimberly, what was done was wrong. We are broad brushing. Don't say we're not. Because we're saying everything they've done is wrong in the past. That's not true. They've done so many good things. It does need to be addressed. Absolutely. I think publicly embarrassing them in front of everybody... i've done that already, firmly. They have got to be called out on it. But to censor people and say you've done everything wrong in the past when we know that they have kept this party together... we don't have a lot of money. Or the influence. We got someone with influence thats going to talk to them and set them straight. At least that's a voice we didn't have before.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks
We didn't have that before!....

Judy Calhoun
No we didn't.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks
Jim wouldn't do that?!

Anna Langthorn
OK. This is not time for questions. We are in the two minutes of debate for those who are opposed to this measure. Just to clarify, this is just being opposed to sending them a letter, because we decided to do these motions piecemeal. Rachel and then Josh.

Rachael Hunsucker
My first question is, if they're is not some sort of a middle ground. Where has the delegation from the Oklahoma Democratic Party reached out to these people. Set them down and said point blank; why did you go out and support this other candidate versus this very qualified Democratic candidate? I don't know. It's not just on a letter, or anything like that... but the chair or some delegation. Having that conversation before we send troops.

Anna Langthorn
OK. Josh. Six seconds.

Joshua Harris-Till
It's alright.

Anna Langthorn
Does anyone want to use those six seconds? Bryan.

Brian Jones
Speaking against. The best thing we can do is build up this party. If we make this party stronger, if we donate more money into this party individually everybody on this committee needs to be donating to this party. If we do things like that and build the party up and make it stronger and more authoritative then this problem wont happen.

Anna Langthorn

To those in favor you have two minutes and eleven seconds. I think I'll just move down the table. Wyatt, Ali, Nadine.

Wyatt McGuire

I want to address three things with regards to the broad brushing. We're censoring them for specific actions they've taken in the last election. In response to specific intentional actions that were detrimental to our candidates. So I think that in saying that we're broad brushing is a misconception or misleading, to say that we're attacking everything they've done because that's not what we're doing here we're censoring them for specific actions. Secondly. With regards to we should put more money in, we should build the party from the ground up. We've been trying to do that and their actions directly undermine that goal. Of building a party. By paying Republicans or advocating financially. With action with intent for Republicans. They are undermining our mission of building up the party. How do I tell a young Democrat who is 25 to vote for a democrat who is supporting Republicans publicly? That undermines our message and makes my argument weaker. And the last thing is with regard to advocacy it's clearly usually our female candidates our black candidates who are targeted with this and this is an issue that needs to be addressed. I understand it's probably happened for a long time. We need to send a message that it's no longer going to be acceptable in our organization. That's my opinion.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Nadine take it....

Anna Langthorn

No. So Ali, Nadine, then Debbie.

Ali Canada

I want to ask you a questions. A hypothetical question. Just because you donate to the party. Does not give you the right to discriminate. You donate to the party, it does not give you the right to discriminate against marginalized communities. OK. All right. I go to North Tulsa. I've talked to those people. Ok. When I go over there. This is what I'm hit with. This right here. How can you run for statewide offices, when we got ex-state officials talking against us. So what do I go back to my community and tell them? That's what this is about.

Anna Langthorn

Nadine.

Nadine Gallagher

All right. I guess I would just argue we have already voted to send a letter with these people's names to presidential campaign coordinator people. Nadine Gallagher Stricken from the potential delegate list. What we are now going to vote on is that we shouldn't let them know that we're doing that. And I don't understand that. We are taking action against these people who have worked against Democrats and I don't care if they give you a dollar or a million dollars. I don't want your money, if it's dirty. And this is dirty money.

Anna Langthorn

All right. We have had thoroughly debated. So since Nadine went over time. Go ahead Josh you have 15 seconds.

Joshua Harris-Till

I think that the unfortunate reality is that we don't have a position where we can afford to piss off anybody. I think that sending the letter to National is a bad idea. But we didn't debate that one. But I think that if we're going to do that, then we've kind of went far enough sending this letter to these elected officials could mean that Governor Nigh show up to events anymore. Brad Henry doesn't show up to events anymore. And if you talk to the candidates, those are the people who made them money. And if they stop showing up to events we don't have anybody to replace them with. And as much as I'm pissed off about this, the fact of the matter is like we can be angry we can talk to him personally we can advocate through the Governor. But to start writing letters and put things in writing. When we did it to Dunnington I was OK with it. But when you look at some of the heavy hitters on this list especially George Nigh. He's like 90 and he's still showing up to events. Like we can't afford to lose any more of the people that we have in this organization.

Anna Langthorn

Ok. So. We have debated. At this point we will be voting on the motion, which to clarify, is to send a letter to everyone on this list informing them that we are displeased with their actions and what the consequences of those actions will be including but not limited to; that we will request that presidential candidates strike them from the list of eligible delegates. All those in favor please raise your hand. You are in favor of sending a letter censuring democratic leaders. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. 6 are in favor of sending the letter.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

I would qualify but...

Anna Langthorn

All of those opposed. Please raise your hand. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14. 14 are opposed to sending a letter censuring. Those with abstentions please raise your hand. 1, 2, 3, 4. 4 officially abstained. With that we have voted not to... Dr. Lobdell-Brooks...

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

I think what's this says Dr... Mr. Walt... Governor Walters. Is that, look at how divided this board is just because of their actions. If you could communicate to these people, how much they have impacted us. We were the boots on the ground. We were the ones out there knocking the doors and we all feel like we got slapped in the face.

Anna Langthorn

OK. To clarify the motion has failed. I don't think I had said that out loud yet. The motion has failed. We'll go around the room.

Brondalyn Coleman

I would like to make a motion.

[Central Committee]

[Inaudible conversation].

Brondalyn Coleman

I would like to make a motion that we select Ali to go to the state convention credential committee to submit this list, and to challenge credentials.

Anna Langthorn

So the motion is for Ali, or his representative in the event that he serves on the committee and is unable to do it himself, to submit this list as a list of credentials challenges at the state convention. So. It has been moved by Brondalyn Coleman. Seconded by Josh Harris-Till. That Ali — or his representative — will submit this list of names at the credentials committee to challenge their credentials. Is there debate? To clarify Ali will be the person responsible for submitting the list but will be speaking on behalf of everyone on the central committee. If you feel compelled to submit your own challenge, so that there are numerous challenges and the credentials committee has more votes basically. Please do that. So there is a motion on the floor and has been made and seconded. I'm going to ask again Is there debate?

[Central Committee]

[Inaudible conversation].

Anna Langthorn

The questions has been called. All those in favor please raise your hand. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15. 15 people in favor of the motion. All those against please raise your hands. 1, 2, 3. 3 are opposed to the motion. Those abstaining 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. 5 abstained.

Gov. David Walters

Was there any chance I could say something?

Anna Langthorn

Yeah... yes.

Gov. David Walters

It pains me to vote against the effort Ali has advanced. By singling these people out — using their names for God sakes was — John Massey for example. Hes a major Banker who's always generous and gives money to people on both sides. I'm just trying to avoid shaming people just because they have chosen for whatever reason to support a candidate of the other Party. If we have a former public official. I mean I'm all for sending a letter to delegate representatives. Or to the Credentials Committee that says the Central Committee will not accept anyone as a credentialed delegate who has as a former official publically supports cadidates of the other party. We won't accept them if they publicly endorse the Republicans. That kind of general statement I think is fine. The problem that we face is these people have literally helped dozens and dozens of other Democratic candidates. And so if they publicly endorse somebody they shouldn't have. I accept that. But beyond that if we chase them off if we shame them. Then that becomes a negative for us....

Ali Canada

Two wrongs don't make a right. Two wrongs does not make a right....

Anna Langthorn

So we are... it's 2:00. I want to remind everybody he only have until 4:00. We need to start moving through the agenda. So please if you have already said something, don't say it again. We all... we all know where everybody stands. So Alicia.

Alicia Andrews

I want to make a motion that we find some middle ground. Between sending this scathing letter and doing nothing. Doing nothing doesn't feel like an option. But sending this scathing letter takes us to a lower place than where we are as a party. I want to make a motion to invite them to explain themselves to this board.

Anna Langthorn

Ok so to clarify and because there's a motion that has kind of been made. So. The motion is that we invite the people on this list to the March Central Committee meeting to basically tell us their side of the story. And so we can express our regrets to them.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

No. No. No. We need a professional letter. Exactly as Governor Walters said saying: folks you screwed up. We're not going to support you if you're going to do this. Get in line. Do what you need to do. And if you're not going to do it, we're not going to support you in anything.

[Central Committee]

[Inaudible debate].

Anna Langthorn

You kind of made a motion...

Alicia Andrews

I retract my motion then.

Angela Wilson

I make a motion that we ask Governor Walters to contact the people on this list — if he so has the time and can act as our liaison — to express to them how we would like to continue their support but that we are not happy. That is has caused us a great disappointment that they chose to make these actions. I'm throwing him under the bus, I'm sorry.

Gov. David Walters

I don't... I don't mind talking to former officials who have been entrusted with a nomination from the Democratic Party. Expressing concern and disappointment with their endorsements of republicans. I want to underscore something, that I said because I think it's important. And we all interpret this differently. But. I'm just gonna explain it all fine. We should've talked longer the other day. This was not racially motivated. We had a great slate of minority candidates statewide. It wasn't... it wasn't that they hated Mark Miles, they honestly didn't know Mark Miles. So yes, I would be happy to contact people. People who've been entrusted with the nomination of the Democratic Party for whatever office. And served in that office and then went and endorsed a republican publicly. I'm happy to.

Anna Langthorn

OK. So the motion is that Governor Walters will act as our liaison and contact with the people on this list. You want to say specifically former electeds. So anybody who has ever been on the ballot with a D behind their name Governor Walters will contact them and express our frustration and disappointment. The motion was made by Angela. Was it seconded? Seconded by Alicia. Is there debate?. The question has

been called. All those in favor please say, Aye. All those opposed please say nay. Ok. The motion has passed.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

I wouldn't make a motion and I'm not sure how to do this... I don't know if we're tabling or what we're doing but we're obviously holding on the previous two motions. What are we doing? The ones with the letter what are we doing with the letter and are we still going with it? I'm confused.

Anna Langthorn

This is what I believe our action is, that we're going to send a letter to the presidential campaigns. We are going to ask that Ali challenge credentials. And that Governor Walters will inform former elected or democratic candidates of what we're doing and that we're disappointed.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Thank you.

Anna Langthorn

Ok so so we're done with this agenda item. Thank you all for the spirited debate. The next thing on the agenda is Wyatt has a couple of motions regarding the procedures for the minutes for our central committee meetings.

Wyatt McGuire

Can I just have... to have... like a minute to present them? All right. So the first of the letters in the book. I just want to address two things that I have a problem with the minute. Or I've had problems in the past. The most recent set of minutes we received actually did not about this problem. I'm very appreciative of that. The first one is I would just like us to have at least a draft copy of minutes. Within like three weeks. Because it's very difficult to remember what's said three months after the meeting. It doesn't have to be finalized but if it's just to all the motions. Whatever the secretary leaves to be drafted. I would appreciate that. The second one is when we have recordings, I think we should have access to the recordings as the governing body. If we want to make it accessible to the public that's fine too. The reason I'm bringing that is in the past year I have asked the secretary to provide a recording of a meeting and I was denied access to a recording on the grounds that it had private conversations on it. And I have a problem with that. Dave isn't here to defend that so I don't want to have a debate on it, but that's why I'm raising the motion. So I guess my first motion is to require the secretary to send the draft minutes to central committee members. Within three weeks.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

Second.

Anna Langthorn

Can I offer a friendly amendment.

Wyatt McGuire

Sure.

Anna Langthorn

That the ODP staff or officers send within three weeks. Ok. Debbie are you open to that. OK. All right. So the motion has been made by Wyatt McGuire. Seconded by Dr. Debbie Brooks. That we will try to have minutes available to central committee members within three weeks of the meeting. Is there debate? All those in favor please say Aye. All those opposed please say, nay. Excellent. All right. And your second motion?

Wyatt McGuire

It would be that all audio recordings of meetings be made are available for dissemination to central committee members. Upon written request.

Anna Langthorn

The motion is made by Wyatt McGuire. Seconded by Debbie Brooks. That we will make available audio recordings of central committee meetings to central committee members upon written request. I do want to clarify and specify that that is only to central committee members because occasionally — rarely — when we do go into executive session to discuss personnel issues and that would obviously not be giving the public and would only be available to committee members. Is there any debate? OK. All those in favor please say Aye. All those opposed please say nay. The Ayes have it have it. So. That's everything on the agenda. Ok Dr. Lobdell-Brooks we have the disability caucus survey conclusion. Do you want to address that now or do you want to do that in your report.

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks

I'll... recap part of it in my report and then ask that it be carried over to the next meeting.

Anna Langthorn

Thank you I appreciate that. OK. So now we will move on to reports, and I would encourage everyone to go as quickly as possible. So I will I will start my report. I it was a shame that the OU game was the same day as our election wrap up meeting because we didn't have the attendance that we wanted. But there was a lot of valuable information presented there. Gov. Walters presented. Ward presented on behalf of the Horn campaign. So highlights of the information we deduced from from looking at historical data, that legislative candidates win when they raise at least fifty thousand dollars and they knock at least 10... well sorry state House candidates win when they raise at least fifty thousand dollars and knock at least 10,000 doors. Specifically they flip seats. So a Republican seat. If we want to win we should expect them to do that. That typically means that starting earlier is better for state senate candidates. The number was thirty thousand doors and I want to say it was a hundred and fifty thousand dollars. So there there are expenses to running for office but they are manageable if you get an early enough start. So we are already in the process of recruiting legislative candidate and working with Representative Munson to make sure that we have candidates in the races that we believe that we can win. And so that was those were some of the highlights of what we talked about that day. If you want more specific information we have a package available you can e-mail us to get those.

Wyatt McGuire

I have... a question that would be under new business. I would have to be something — if we wanted to consider — we have to vote on. But the election for chair is coming up and so if you were going to run for chair again we would meet to discuss your role as executive director. So if we do that I think we need to go into executive session and talk about it today. Or that needs to be a ready discussion. I mean... I would just....

Debbie Lobdell-Brooks
Or closed session.

Anna Langthorn

Yeah well... I think that it is prudent to go ahead and start that conversation now since we've only got a couple hours and it's better to get that out of the way rather than waiting. So. With that I apologize... Christine? Do you know if there is space available in the building where our guests can go? I don't necessarily want to send people outside. Is there a Seconded by Rachael Hunsucker. All those in favor please say Aye. All those opposed we say nay. Ok so we are going into executive session. So for our guests that means that we are discussing personnel issues and that they have to be limited to people that were on the board or serving as proxies for people who were on the board. We are going to try to find a warm place for you to go if you would like to stay.