

At 6:40 p.m., Chairman Mikel-Jon Divis called the meeting to order at the home of Renae Feilmeier, 1496 Co Rd J, Wahoo 68066. Also present were Vice Chair Renae Feilmeier, Secretary Maria Cadwallader, Treasurer Ed Zeleny, and PR/Media Specialist Emily Koehler.

Treasurer's Report

The bank balance July 30 was \$3071.46. Income of \$85 deposited from the sale of T-shirts, and expenses withdrawn totaling \$890.38 (\$100 for the fair booth, \$24.70 for materials for the booth, \$47.68 for the previous 6 months of Facebook ads, and \$18 reimbursement to Emily for mileage related to parades and fair booth) left a current balance of \$2966.08. Ed reported that Alan Meyer paid for his T-shirts but that money has not been deposited yet. Ed reported that the T-shirts cost \$441. Emily noted that others still owe for T-shirts, and 68 remain to be sold. She and Renae still have receipts to give Ed to report in-kind contributions.

M-J noted that the NDP Dinner is on Oct. 6 and tickets are too expensive for anyone to be expected to attend. He also noted that those who contribute monthly get a free ticket. Maria noted that she contributes and may not attend and if so will give her ticket to Emily to use if she wants it and if that is allowed.

Secretary's Report

All previous meeting minutes were approved at County Meetings.

Public Relations

Emily reported that she wants to give a shout-out via Facebook, Twitter, email, and the website for everyone who helped at parades and at the fair. These include Maria Cadwallader, Mikel-Jon Divis, Nancy Divis, Jack Eager, Renae Feilmeier, Tyler Hedges, Adam Koehler, Emily Koehler, Alan Meyer, Janece Mollhoff, Shawn Otte, Elaine Pike, Paul Ploof, Ed Zeleny.

The Committee discussed the summer's activities in terms of what worked or not. They decided to limit 2018 parade participation to Wahoo and Ashland, to continue having a County Fair booth and providing assistance with the rides and the kids' tractor pull, and to help sponsor the Prague volley ball competition by setting up a booth and providing clean water (note: Prague has water problems; sign could read "Isn't clean water nice!").

M-J said that we should have good head shots of all Saunders County Officers to use on the website and good headshots of all Democratic candidates for state and Saunders County offices to use in literature and post on the booth. Possible photographers so far for free or at least discounted photos are Jo Vculek, 500 N. Pine St, POB 66, Wahoo 68066, joesphoto1957@outlook.com and Kate DeCoste's Photo Place by the Wahoo Dairy Queen.

Emily will gather banners and other such items from Phil Richmond and take them to Renae to store with the booth and banners.

Emily agreed to handle email communications, Facebook, Twitter, and the website. Maria will report details of differences between the current website platform, which is paid through August 7, 2018, and the free site available through Sarpy County Chair Charlene Ligon, and the free site the NDP will soon offer to all County Parties. The current site costs \$35.88/year (\$2.99/month). It includes these features: Custom domain name; Jetpack essential features; email and live chat support; free themes; basic design customization; 6GB storage; removal of all Wordpress ads.

Banquet and Convention Postponed

The Committee decided not to hold a County Convention or a Banquet Fundraiser until 2018. They discussed naming the dinner for Jim Fauver and another famous Saunders Democrat.

Family Potluck Picnic Saturday Sept. 23, Placek Park, Wahoo

The Committee decided to hold a family potluck picnic on Saturday, Sept. 23, at Placek Park in Wahoo. Emily will reserve the Girl Scout House there (through Wahoo Parks and Recreation) and notify Ed in time for him to provide two checks, one for the rental fee (\$30) and one for the refundable deposit fee (\$50). The Park has a new Pavilion, a kids' play area with swings and so on, and walking trails.

Rules Committee

M-J confirmed that the Rules Committee will deal with the County Constitution, By-Laws, and any other relevant rules and will include these members:

Rena Feilmeier, Chair
Vern Barrett
Maria Cadwallader
Merrion Brooks
Jack Eager
Jennifer Norris
Paul Ploof

Secretary's Resignation

Maria reported that she is resigning as Secretary effective as soon as possible, and instead will focus on duties as Precinct Captain and coordinator of Saunders County Knock Every Door Campaign. Current By-Laws state that a replacement Secretary should be elected by the Executive Committee, and the Committee agreed that Jennifer Norris should be asked.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Sincerely,



Maria Cadwallader, Secretary

NOTE: At the 8/13 KED Ashland event, Maria informed attendees that, since the Executive Committee Meeting, she and her husband have decided to move to Lincoln and will do so in October this year. However, she is becoming a member of the NDP Tech Committee and will continue as Saunders KED Coordinator this year and will try to help recruit Precinct Captains, for Val and other Precincts. She will not be able to serve on the Rules Committee.