# **Boston Ward 5 Democratic Committee**

# July 16, 2024, Meeting

The Boston Ward 5 Democratic Committee was held online via Zoom.

Bob Binney called the meeting to order after establishing a quorum.

## **Membership Matters**

## **June Meeting Minutes**

June meeting minutes amendments: 1. Katherine Judge motioned to endorse Allison Cartwright and Erin Murphy 2. Treasury report- balance missing a zero- should be \$8,042.11 Rob motioned to approve the June minutes with amendments; Mark Mantell seconded to approve the June minutes.

## Associate Member Nominations Elected Member

Associate member No new nominees eligible for membership.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Current Balance as of 7/16/2024 is **\$8,412.32** 

Member 2024 dues- reminder to participate in endorsement votes, you must pay your dues. - 20 members have paid so far for 2024 total of \$1,220 in membership fees collected.

Payment: Ward 5 website has a link to pay for membership (ActBlue). If not able to pay full amount, contact Bob and/or Rob or Hilary.

TO PAY YOUR 2024 BOSTON WARD 5 DUES ONLINE, GO TO: https://bostonward5dems.org/membershipmeetings/ and click on the "ActBlue Contribute" tab; or https://secure.actblue.com/donate/boston-ward-5-democratic-committee-1

General Membership Dues: \$60. First Year Membership: \$25; Student: \$25.

**Guest Speakers** 

Christopher Iannella

Candidate for reelection to Governor's Council, D4.

-Focus on addiction recovery support; need to ensure qualified members on the parole board.

#### **Future Scheduled Speakers**

Reminder to contact Mark Mantell with any ideas for guest speakers

### **Review Recent Events**

Sunday Workshop (Boston Voter Action for Democracy).
-Mainly get out the vote (GOTV) emphasis.
-People from outside Ward 5 are now joining.
-Ward 5 will pay for stamps and other expenses.
-Postcards, great conversation.
-Note people do not need to be a committee member to join these workshops.

## **Endorsement Vote Motion**

#### **Endorsement vote**

Candidates for **Governor's Council D4** Christopher Iannella Stacey Borden Ronald Iacobucci

Rob motioned to open the floor to nominations, Hilary seconded. Rob nominated endorsing Christopher Iannella, Katherine Judge seconded. Rob motioned to vote by acclamation, Hilary seconded. Vote: Christopher Iannella endorsed

Rob motioned to have palm cards created, Bob seconded. Discussion of candidates to be included: in the past only, the committee endorsed only contested candidates.

### **Other Items/Events**

#### 2024 Get Involved!

Volunteer opportunities: handout with ways to get involved. This will be updated on the website.

#### Social Media support

Reminder: Joshua Calianos and Kelly Zeilman are leading the subcommittee

#### **Upcoming Events**

Noted again: Sunday Workshop from 1-4 at the Community Church for activities such as letter or postcard writing.

-Rob is working with a state representative to help organize canvassing to NH and possibly ME.

# Motion to adjourn meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

# Attendance

Members	Guests
In Person	
Bob Binney	
Hilary Bacon Gabrieli	
Katherine Judge	
Rob Whitney	
Mark Mantell	In Person
Sharon Durkan	Alec Scicchipano
	Mary Colette Garippo
Online	Online
Sheila Murray	Sandra Singer
Suzanne Comtois	
Kate Gallivan	
Sharon Hucul	
Jay Livingstone	
Diane Barry	
Abigail Gabrieli	
Kenzie Bok	
Sharon (Shari) Franzetta	