

Wilson County Democratic Party

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Democratic Party County Executive Committee Meeting
January 23, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. (virtual meeting-ZOOM)

Minutes

The virtual meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM, with Chair Hawley welcoming participants. Second Vice Chair Ann Barnes presented Inspirational Thoughts and led in a Moment of Silence. We then had the Pledge of Allegiance. With no objection, the proposed Agenda for tonight's meeting was approved. Similarly, with no objection, the minutes (previously distributed) from our last meeting on January 22, 2022, were approved by consensus.

Party Officers gave brief reports.

Chair Hawley presented the CEC Check-In List on screen, and called the roll of CEC members. With 21 CEC members logged into the meeting, the forty percent requirement to establish the quorum was met.

Reports from the auxiliaries included updates on the Democratic Women of Wilson County by Nancy Hawley and Beth Punte, Co-Presidents.

After general discussion and updates from Precincts, Chair Hawley introduced the main business agenda for this called CEC meeting. Since the NCDP Plan of Organization prohibits local County officers from serving simultaneously as Regional officers, when First Vice Chair Joyah Bulluck was recently elected Third Vice Chair of District 1, she vacated her position as First Vice Chair of the Wilson County Democratic Party. The Plan of Organization calls for such vacancies to be filled by the CEC within 30 days. Chair Hawley explained that Betesha Ethridge, who had recently run for a City Council seat in the Wilson May 17 election and was interested in further work with the Democratic Party had agreed to have her name entered as a candidate to complete the vacant term of First Vice Chair. The current term runs until April of 2023. Chair Hawley asked if there were further nominations from the floor, and after waiting and repeating the request, noted that hearing no other nominations, the CEC could elect Betesha Ethridge as First Vice Chair by acclamation. Without objection, she was duly elected.

Among announcements about upcoming events was noted the first in-person meeting of the Wilson County Democratic Party, scheduled for Saturday, July 16, at 10:00 AM, in the Assembly Room at the Wilson Public Library.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.