

# Agenda

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- Electronic Meeting Instructions
- Approval of Agenda and Minutes
  - Daniel Press asked for motion seconds to be acknowledged via chat
  - B. Graham reiterated electronic meeting rules
- Approval of New Members
  - Bob Fasick moved to accept
  - Alice Fotz seconded
  - Dan Press asked to receive confirmation that new members have been vetted
  - Andrew Pavord: new member was approved member, Andrew Scalise: new members are known but late registrants, Julie Waters: new members checked by VANS
  - Robert Fasick: Is working with republican party a basis for exclusion?
    - B. Graham: Committee has final say. Code of Conduct violations are also basis for removal.
- Introduction of Special Guests
  - Commonwealth's Attorney Steve Descano, Commonwealth's Attorney
    - Thanked group for approval of resolution to push back on AG Miyares' criminal justice bill
    - AG is changing bill in response to outcry
    - Any questions, reach out to Commonwealth's Attorney S. Descano
  - Sen. Dave Marsden
    - Sent survey to 8000 Democrats in district
      - 1st priority: voting rights and voter suppression
      - 2<sup>nd</sup>: climate change. Gov. Northam reorg and priority for flood resiliency bill moved out of committee.
      - 3rd: Economic impact of COVID
      - 4<sup>th</sup>: Bridge and dam safety, and congestion relief
    - Wants to put these priorities into practice
    - Also wants to strengthen land conservation trust: will allow Native American tribes to preserve historical land
  - Rachel Rothman
    - DCCC organizing director for 7<sup>th</sup> district
      - 7<sup>th</sup> district was from Culpeper to Nottaway. In 2018 turned blue. Now going from Caroline to Green county.
      - Very competitive district, Biden +7, Youngkin 5.5
      - Event in Dumfries on Saturday, 1/30. Abigail Spanberger will be there. Answering questions about ballot and redistricting.
    - Victoria Verisingh
      - Candidate for VA 8<sup>th</sup>
    - Maritza Zermano for Representative Don Beyer
      - Running for re-election in November
- Election of Vice Chair for Membership
  - Christopher Schaffer nominated
  - Christopher Schaffer elected without objection
    - Comments
      - Chair of Braddock district, 2016 – 2019
      - Experienced with vetting members, using online applications

- #1 goal is to work with the districts regarding new members. Understands that all districts run differently.
- Treasurer's Report
  - Nadja Golding
    - Fiscal Year starts on 4/1
    - Income is healthy due to operations (membership) and voter contact and election support
    - Can answer more questions upon inquiry
- Chair's Report
  - General
    - Need to move forward on defending public education
    - Congressional primaries are upcoming
    - House of Delegates elections this year as well
- Presentation of Draft Budget
  - Draft budget
    - Steering committee will have final vote in March
    - Last 3 of 4 year experienced little to no financial loss
    - Exploring ways to boost income
    - New: Support our Schools Campaign
      - Want raise money, make signs, etc.
      - Want to raise \$25k, spend \$15k, remainder for following year
    - Would like to pay interns in the future
    - Operations
      - Rent increases about 4% each year
      - State assessment will not be waived this year. 4k this year.
    - Questions can be forwarded to B. Graham
  - DPV organization
    - Will soon have elections. Training is available.
    - Must prefile to be a delegate, member, or caucus participant. Vote on DPVA membership.
    - Filing deadlines are posted on DPVA website
  - Caucuses
    - Reorganization meetings will take place between January and March
    - Email will be sent with all information
    - Slides are posted in FCDC website
  - Standing Committees
    - Upcoming reorganization meeting between January and February
    - Chair for Election Law and Voter Protection Chair TBD
    - Anyone interested in committees encouraged to contact chair
- Vice Chairs', Committees, and Caucus Reports
  - Technology: Tyler Begley
    - Members are encouraged to follow and favorite FCDC on Facebook
- New Business
  - Charles Leven:
    - Motioned for FCDC to censure Senator Peterson on supporting Gov. Youngkin's mask mandates.
    - Caryn Sever seconded the motion
    - Discussion surrounding lack of concise statement of intention from Chapman.
    - Motion to table, seconded in chat.
    - 86% voted in favor of tabling motion
  - Jeffrey Parnes:

- Motioned for FCDC to apologize to VA State Supreme Court doubting integrity and ability to fairly redistrict.
  - No one seconded.
- Announcements
  - William Berkson:
    - Concerned about Democrat turn-out. What is FCDC doing to ramp up? Started Twitter account. @StopTheLie\_vote to raise awareness.
  - Liz Walker:
    - Jennifer Wexton. District reorganized. 2/5 at 5 PM fundraiser. Info on FCDC website.
  - Sadam Salim
    - Running to be a committee member (DCCC)
    - To sign petition to get Don Beyer on the ballot, please contact him
  - Maritza Zermano
    - March 2, will have first meeting for Latino Caucus
    - Would like all FCDC members to attend and vote
  - Ally Dalsimer
    - Candidate for VA 11<sup>th</sup>
    - Virtual Meet and Greet on 2/6 at 5 PM
    - Info on FCDC calendar
    - Seeking volunteers
  - Andrew Pavord:
    - Chair chats: next one is 2/9 with Congressman Connolly on Future of democracy after insurrection
    - Dinner discussion on 2/20
    - Dinner discussion on with Steve Descano (date needed)
- Adjournment
  - Next meeting will be on 3/22 at 7:30 PM