



Dawson County Democratic Party

MINUTES

THE DAWSON COUNTY DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE

May 12, 2011

This Regular Meeting of the Dawson County Democratic Committee was called to order by Co-Chair Bette Holland at 6:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Dawson County Library. Members present: In addition to Bette, were Co-Chairman & State Party Member Tom Foley, 2nd Vice Chairwoman Wava Lavelle, Secretary Spencer Maddux, Tom Are, Sheila Brennan, Brian Roberts, and Suellen Tritt.

The minutes of the April 21st general meeting were approved via e-mail.

As Treasurer Conrad Scohier was not present, a rough draft of the Treasurer's report was presented by Bette.

In her Co-Chair's Report, Bette told the Committee of her attendance and observations at the Dawson County Board of Education Meeting in April. She thanked Tom Foley for preparing a list of elected Dawson County position offices and their respective officeholders to be sent to the Democratic Party of Georgia headquarters. She pitched once again the State Party's J-J Dinner to be held on June 25th. Bette also told the Committee about her presentation of the annual Democratic Committee's Scholarship Award to a graduating DCHS senior, Katie Simmons.

There followed a discussion of the plans for the June 16th general meeting. The featured speaker will be Mike Berlon, the Chairman of the Democratic Party of Georgia. Advertisements/announcements of the meeting and the special attractions, (the speaker, the food and the door prizes) will be placed in the local papers. (Bette and Carolyn Maddux) Tom Foley suggested that party members from other counties be invited. Flyers/posters will be made and distributed. (Bill Rawson and Spencer Maddux)

Bette informed the Committee of the GDP's effort to have an activity planned in all 159 counties for June 16th in celebration of President Obama's birthday. County plans should be presented to the State party leadership by June 25th.

The Committee discussed the budget and the anticipated expenses remaining for 2011. Specific expenses named were:

- Advertisement expenses;
 - Expenses related to the military families project;
 - Expenses related to support of the GED testing program in the county;
 - Expenses related to Committee activities at the Moonshine Festival
- A motion was made and passed to purchase two tickets to the State Party's J-J Dinner for the use of the Co-Chairpersons (\$300.00).

Bette suggested the possibility of inviting/obtaining Alan Essig of The Georgia Budget and Policy Institute as the speaker for the August general meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Spencer Maddux, Secretary