

Illinois Valley Democrats Minutes 21, 2018

In attendance: Nicole Rensenbrink, Anita Savio, Gary Reehl, George Herring, Nancy Garcia, Dorothy Yetter, Gary Eby, Joe Hoelzle.

10:00: Meeting called to order.

Minutes: Anita moved to pass, George second. All were in favor.

Treasurer's report: Dorothy Y and Nancy G. Dorothy clarified financial reporting for state. Nancy will put together a grid with regular donors' names and amounts contributed. Nicole made motion to approve treasurer's report. Joe seconded. All were in favor.

10:30: JoCo Dems Updates: Commissioner Candidates soon to appear for county dems. Gary discussed work on the Environmental Pledge and passed it around for those to sign who haven't.

Anita attended the State Platform Committee meeting in Salem and found it fascinating. She will email out draft platform.

Gary reported that Indivisible held successful "Democracy at Risk" event, focused on media. They are planning a "salon movement," getting people together in small groups to talk about issues. They had a political movie night.

Letters to editor & IV News Notice: Notice is in paper and political letter to editor.

April March for Science: Only about 75 people but energetic bunch.

Issue papers ?

Nature Booth at Barter Fair: Focus: to get liberal and left leaning folks, who may not typically be involved, voting. Nancy G is decorating booth and will take care of banner. Dorothy reported that county dems can pay for buttons. Message sent to Nancy L to coordinate with her about this. George will get on give aways. Environmental Pledge will be part of table. Space costs okayed and we plan to stay two days. Nicole connected Susan, manager of event, with Nancy G for payment arrangement.

Anita did part one of presentation about how to talk to conservatives. Book report on *Righteous Mind* by John Hoyle.

Timeline was updated (see attached). Anita moved to approve, Nancy G seconded, all approved.

Next meeting: Saturday, May 12, 10-12.