



April 9th, 2024: County Convention

Call to Order by Committee Chair
Pledge of Allegiance
Welcome / Introductions

Procedural Business for Convention:

- Ratification of County Convention members
- Election of Chair and Secretary of County Convention

Action Items:

- Confirm County Committee membership
 - All attendees must complete Form B for County Committee membership and to be ratified as delegates to the Regular State Convention
 - In order to qualify, all delegates must pledge their delegation to President Joe Biden
- Election of Special State Convention delegates
 - Saline County is allotted 18 delegates, balanced by gender
 - Candidates must have filed Form A by April 3rd, 2024; see Special State Convention Delegates page for list of candidates
- Election of State Committee delegates
 - Saline County is allotted 4 delegates, balanced by gender
 - 2-year term
- Discussion and voting on any proposed resolutions and/or amendments to the DPSC bylaws

Officer Reports

- Treasurer – Tamme Adams
- Secretary - Melinda Lou Hensley
- 1st Vice Chair – Laura Butler
- 2nd Vice-Chair – Felix Stacy
- Chair – Bailey Morgan

Committee, Caucus, and Volunteer Reports *(To join/form a committee email saline@arkdems.org)*

- Election Commissioner - Tamme Adams
- Hot Springs Village Democratic Club - Steve Rittenmeyer
- Community Outreach Committee - Felix Stacy
- Voter Outreach Committee - Melinda Lou Hensley
- Petitions Update - Lela Chism
- Bryant Community Activities - Martha West
- Quorum Court Updates - Bailey Morgan

Discussion Items:

1. Those interested in being a National Convention delegate need to complete Form C ASAP at ArkDems.us/FormC



2. Expectations for conduct at volunteer events

Other Business:

- [Minutes](#)
- [Financial Report](#)

Next DPSC Monthly meeting will be May 14th, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn



Democratic Party of Saline County

COMMITTEE MEETING

March 12, 2024/ 6:30 PM /101 S Market St, Benton AR 72015

ATTENDEES: Tamme Adams, Sheila Cooper, Laura Butler, James Fiser, Masami Fiser, Gina Thomas-Littlejohn, Carl Frank, Steve Rittenmeyer, Nita Brown, Carol Perry, Judy Pridgen, Pat Edwards, Lela Chism, Tom Hanson, Martha West, Teresa Dannaway, Brittany Smith, Chris Smith, Fred McGraw, Felix Stacy, Vincent Robinson, Jennifer Floyd, Teresa Brown, Danny Brown, Hannah Morgan, Diana Roberts, Melinda Hensley

Minutes

Call to Order at 6:30 p.m.

Bailey Morgan, Chair

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes & Financial Statement

1. Minutes from 2/13/24 were approved.
2. Financial statement approved

Action Items - None

Discussion/Informative Items

Nita Brown presented information for the State Committee meeting as follows:

State Convention will be June 8 - 9 at the Embassy Suites in Little Rock.

DPA has hired a pollster and will share results with the counties.



The DPA has \$1 Million in revenue which is a 65% increase.

Anna Morshedi with Moms Demand Action presented information about the organization. Moms is working to end gun violence. It is not an anti-gun organization, it is an anti-gun violence organization. They provide a gun safety module called the BE SMART program website <https://besmartforkids.org/> explains the program.

S - Secure all firearms in your homes and vehicles

M - Model responsible behavior around firearms

A - Ask about the presence of unsecured firearms in other homes before you let your kids go visit other homes.

R - Recognize the role of firearms in suicides

T - Tell your peers to BE SMART.

Ms. Moreshedi shared that there are more firearms than humans. The number one cause of death in children and young adults from the age of 0-22 is gun violence.

-13 million households have at least one gun present.

-Children know where the guns are located

-41% of child suicide is by guns.

-Moms provides Pulaski County Schools with the SMART program which provides information to students to bring home to their parents and it talks about safe gun storage. Moms would put these materials in Saline County schools if given the opportunity.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.



Financial Report			
Checkbook			
Beginning Balance 03/1/2024	\$7,772.12		
	Description	Credits	Debits
	Act Blue	\$2,588.44	
	Donations by check/cash	\$1,550.00	
	Luke Juneau		\$425.00
	Website Go Daddy		\$26.99
	USPS (stamps)		\$53.00
	SquareUp (headquarters supplies)		\$47.71
	White Investment DB LLC (rental of venue for KB)		\$850.00
	City of Benton (privilege license)		\$50.00
Ending Balance on 03/31/2024	\$10,457.86		



**THANK YOU TO OUR MONTHLY
“FRIEND OF THE PARTY” DONORS!**

Good Neighbors:

Beth Mathys
Sally Smith
Gene Smith
Greg White
Felix Stacy
Randy Haun
Pat Edwards
Suzy Velez

Friends of the Party:

Diana Roberts
Helen Neely

Community Partners:

Bailey Morgan
Sam Stueart
April Reisma
Helen Denison
Tamme Adams
Fred McGraw
Melinda Hensley
Delois Moore
Donna Landreth
Dustin Parsons
Janet Taylor
Glen Rider
Luann Baker

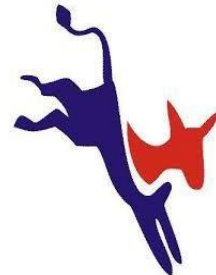
Life of the Party:

Jon and Lisa Poteet
Tanya Williams
Peggy Butler
Charles Bear
Lela Chism
Grace Hauser
Gary and Melissa Fults

Party Partners:

Jerri DeLamar
'Nita Brown
Brenda Hanke

Go to
salinedems.com/friendoftheparty
to enroll, receive a thank you in our next
newsletter & agenda, and much more!





Saline County “Friend of the Party” Program (Monthly Sustainability Program)

Purpose: Our party has set a goal of recruiting more candidates, becoming more engaged in the community, and proving our viability to the rest of the county. While our annual Kickin’ Blue dinner helps offset fixed costs, we must get serious about sustainability.

Giving Levels:

Good Neighbor Tier: \$5/month

Includes monthly “Thank You” postcard & thanks by name in the monthly agenda!

Friend of the Party Tier: \$10/month

Includes the above + 1 free ticket to our new “Donor Dinner!”

Community Partner Tier: \$15/month

Includes the above + 1 free Kickin’ Blue ticket & a DPSC enamel pin!

Life of the Party Tier: \$25/month

Includes the above + 1 extra Kickin’ Blue ticket, 1 extra Donor Dinner ticket, and 1 free DPSC yard sign or t-shirt!

Party Partner Tier: \$50/month

Includes the above + 1 extra yard sign, t-shirt, or enamel pin; a signed personalized thank you letter from DPSC officers; and sponsor status at Kickin’ Blue & Donor Dinner!

Sign-Up Link:

Scan the QR Code



or go to

<https://secure.actblue.com/donate/democratic-party-of-saline-county-2>



Democratic Party of Saline County - Membership Form

Please mail all forms to Melinda Lou Hensley at 4904 Hensley Road, Benton, AR 72019 or email form to saline@arkdems.org.

Name: _____ Age: _____ Gender Identity: _____

Residence Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____

(Residence)

(Business)

(Cell)

Date of Birth: _____ Employment: _____

Email: _____

Please circle your preference in notification: Email Text Phone call

Please circle the committee/caucuses you wish to join:

Black/Latino

Senior Democrats

Stonewall

Young Democrats(16 - 36)

Democratic Women

Community Activism

Community Outreach

Voter Outreach

Candidate Recruitment

Labor

Would you be interested in becoming a Chairperson of a Committee? If so, which committee/caucus?

I agree to abide by the rules of said committee and support the Principles of the Democratic Party. I am eligible and legally qualified to file for membership under the Rules of the Democratic Party of Arkansas.

Name: _____ Date: _____



Form B

Delegate to the _____ County Convention

Full Legal Name: _____	Voting
Address: _____	

Email: _____	Phone: _____

I openly declare my allegiance to and am in good faith and sympathy with the fundamental principles, purposes, objectives, platforms, and practices of the Democratic Party of Arkansas. I am a member of or hereby join the County Committee of the county written above.

I am a registered voter in the above county or a resident of the county written above who is at least fourteen (14) years old. I do certify that I am eligible and legally qualified to serve as a delegate to the County Convention.

I did not vote in any other Party's primary election, I am not a member of any other political party, and I pledge myself to support and vote for the Democratic nominee for President.

I hereby pledge myself to the candidacy of: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

File at the County Convention
After the County Convention, please submit to the Democratic Party of Arkansas
1300 W Capitol Ave., Little Rock, AR 72205
delegateselection@arkdems.org

101 S Market St – Benton, AR 72015 – saline@arkdems.org
Meeting 2nd Tuesday
of Every Month at 6:30 pm



Candidates for the 2024 Special State Convention:

Dustin Parsons

Nita Brown

Gary Fults

Lela Chism

Steve Rittenmeyer

April Reisma

Bailey Morgan

Teresa Dannaway

Brent Carroll

Brittany Smith

Owen Haynes

Melinda Hensley

Carl Frank

Amanda Bradley

Samuel Brazell Jr.

Patty Hector

Chris Smith

Tamme Adams