



## MI3CD Democrats Meeting Minutes      April 19, 2026

- I. Call to Order - 1:00pm
  - A. Remarks on Voting System by MDP Chair Curtis Hertel
- II. Roll Call of Officers
  - A. Present: Chair Donna Secor Pennington, 1st Vice Chair Gary Stark, 2nd Vice Chair Pamela Redd, Secretary Chris Herweyer, Treasurer Richard Williamson
  - B. Absent/Excused: none
- III. Credential Report & County count
  - A. Chris Herweyer reported that a quorum was present (11/19 district committee members/officers)
    1. Note: Two members of our district committee are MDP staff who were unable to attend due to their convention roles.
    2. Linda Riepma, Sherlynn James, John Arendshorst, Aaron Eling, Frank Lynn, Sarah Woolsey, Willie German, Bryan Fettig absent
- IV. Approval of Agenda - Agenda approved as distributed by unanimous consent.
- V. Approval of Minutes (2.21.2026) - Minutes approved as distributed by unanimous consent.
- VI. Guest Speakers - All of the following addressed 3CD at the meeting in the following order:
  - A. Brianna Scott and Kelly Tebay Zemke for MSU Board of Trustees
  - B. Senate Majority Leader Winnie Brinks (SD-29)
  - C. House Minority Floor Leader John Fitzgerald (HD-83)
  - D. State Representative Carol Glanville, SD-30 Candidate
  - E. Washtenaw County Prosecutor Eli Savit for Attorney General
  - F. State Senator Sylvia Santana for MSU Board of Trustees
  - G. Amir Makled for UofM Board of Regents, represented by his campaign manager
  - H. Shereef Akeel for WSU Board of Governors
  - I. Jordan Acker for UofM Board of Regents
  - J. Oakland County Prosecutor Karen McDonald for Attorney General
  - K. State Senator Mallory McMorrow, US Senate Candidate
  - L. Kiel Reid, HD-88 Candidate
  - M. State Representative Kristian Grant (HD-82)
  - N. East Grand Rapids City Commissioner Abbie Groff-Blaszak, SD-29 Candidate
  - O. Ivan Diaz, SD-29 Candidate
  - P. Congresswoman Hillary Scholten, represented by Emma Lofgren
  - Q. Daniel Rivera, Wyoming City Commission At-Large Candidate
  - R. Forest Hills School Board President Kristen Fauson, HD-80 Candidate
  - S. Paul Brown for UofM Board of Regents
  - T. Abdul El-Sayed, US Senate Candidate
  - U. Richard Mack for WSU Board of Governors, represented by his brother
  - V. Suzanna Shkreli for Secretary of State
  - W. Genesee County Sheriff Chris Swanson for Governor
  - X. Lily Cheng-Schulting, HD-80 Candidate
  - Y. County Commissioner Kris Pachla, HD-80 Candidate
  - Z. Khristian Silvis, HD-84 Candidate
- VII. Old Business - none
- VIII. New Business - none
- IX. Adjournment - 2:35pm