

ACDWC BOARD MINUTES
March 4, 2024

Happy Dollars were collected before the meeting.

Secretary

Pat presented the minutes from the February meeting. Ann Mostoller moved to approve the minutes. Laura Carrington seconded. Unanimously approved.

Treasurer

Amanda presented the Treasurer's Report. Moved to Audit by Ann Mostoller.

PAC designation update

Ann Miller has not yet spoken to Lauren Topping about this issue. Ann Miller's understanding is that that we need this designation only if we as a unit contribute more than \$1000.

Budget discussion

The 2024 budget was discussed. For clarification, the 2 EMERGE grants are \$200.00 each. The TFDW dues were not included in the budget presented because we decided in the February meeting to get more information and revisit at this meeting. The group confirmed that it is our intent that candidate support will include: providing labor, food, and incidentals, event promotion, and staffing for fundraisers; participating in Blue tents, and personal donations. Ann Mostoller moved that we add Ways and Means seed money in the amount of \$250 to the 2024 budget. Pat seconded; unanimously approved. Because our 2024 Budget exceeds anticipated income, we will discuss additional ways to raise funds at the April meeting.

Report from Program Committee

Ann Mostoller, program chair, presented information on planned 2024 programs and thanked her committee for their hard work. All board members present participated in the discussion. The Board unanimously approved the proposed program, noting that these events are subject to change.

The March meeting will be held on April 5th because it is a fundraiser for Anne Backus. The site is The Lodge. We have the venue from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., with the actual event running from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. The Lodge should have a ramp before that time to comply with the ADA. Ann Mostoller moved an ACDWC expenditure of up to \$200 for that event. Food was discussed and everyone committed to bringing something. Pat agreed to bring charcuterie.

Members can RSVP on Anne Backus' website or pay at the door. Kay seconded the motion as to the ACDWC expenditure but amended the amount from \$200 to \$250. Ann Mostoller accepted the amended amount, and the \$250 expenditure was approved unanimously.

In addition to the April event for Anne Backus, we plan to meet on April 22d at the Clinton Community Center. Milly confirmed Joe Zitka from Pellissippi State to discuss the deficit. Ann Mostoller will see if we can also include Jack Allen as a joint speaker. The food will be \$5 pizza.

The May meeting is scheduled on May 20th (a date shift due to Memorial Day). Sam McKenzie, Knoxville Democrat from the Black Caucus, will speak, focusing on this legislative session. This may be a joint effort with the ACDP. We anticipate using the large room at the Clinton Community Center.

The planned June 24th program features Debbie Helsley from Knoxville City Council as our speaker. The WIP is in charge of this event, with an expenditure of not more than \$225 from the ACDWC.

The remaining plans for the remaining months in 2024 are as follows:

July 2024	Milly's son on the NLRB
August 2024	State of the AC and Oak Ridge libraries with the Clinton Librarian.
Sept. 2024	Picnic in Norris with ACDP
Oct. 2024	Public education—Marsha Livingston and Bob Smallridge
Nov. 2024	Business
Dec. 2024	Holiday Party
Jan. 2024	TBD

Hospitality Committee

Bethany Shamblin attended and agreed to Chair the Hospitality Committee.

Fundraising

Betsy could not attend. Betsy did request that we consider seed money for this committee. That issue was addressed in the Budget discussion outlined above.

Scholarship Committee

Paula has not yet responded to Pat. Due to travel, she will at most be able to help vet the applications.

Ann Mostoller announced that Maria Gee will assist Pat. She and Pat worked together at CHS for several years.

Communication

Laura was present and several items for inclusion in the Newsletter/Facebook/website were discussed.

Publicity

Kay asked how we wanted her to handle publicity. We unanimously decided that publicity will be addressed on a case by case basis in the Oak Ridger.

TFDW

The convention is April 19-21 in Memphis. Only people who are physically present can vote. Proxies are not allowed.

We discussed our membership in the TFDW. The membership and the board are both split as to the TFDW, with each side having strong positions. Pat moved that we allow members to individually opt out of TFDW membership, with local DWC dues being \$25, \$5 for TFDW membership. Ann Mostoller seconded, and the motion unanimously passed. We discussed changing the Membership Form to reflect those changes. Laura will modify the dues form to reflect these changes for 2024. While we may see reduced numbers for TFDW from our club, it will be because individual members of this club do not wish to be associated with that organization.

Next meeting

April 1st at 5:30 pm at Ann Mostoller's Office, with Ann Mostoller providing snacks.

Pat moved to adjourn, with Ann Mostoller seconding. Unanimously approved.