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	<p><u>Vice Chair, Paula Meyers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report this meeting. <p><u>Treasurer Amanda Moore (provided by Chair):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seeking additional support for Treasurer position. Administrative Fund (organizational costs): \$6,904.55 State Fund (candidate support): \$2,547.59 July Expenses Summary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WCDP yard signs (to promote events) Mail Chimp monthly subscription Food costs for Strawberry Social <p><u>Secretary, Erin Barbus:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report this meeting 																													
<p>Standing Committee Reports</p>	<p><u>County Committee</u> (Chair Mark Yonkman): No report this meeting.</p> <p><u>Candidate Recruitment Committee</u> (Chair Chris Crain chrisformi101@gmail.com)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staying alert to down ballot positions that are coming open. Spoke briefly in Newaygo around creating a more organized response/support network for the 2nd Congressional District. Making connections between professional organizations and candidates at every opportunity. <p><u>Communications</u> (Chair Janet Neyer j.neyer19@gmail.com)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facebook Page (public): Wexford Dems Facebook Group (private): Wexford Dems Instagram (public): Wexford Dems Website: https://www.wexforddems.org Shared WCDP increased visibility through our website Growth in new followers in our public Facebook and Instagram pages. Will be adding information from the Candidate Recruitment Committee to the website soon. Have a passion for/skills around social media and graphic design? Contact Janet! <p>Social and Community Development (Chair Meg Santangelo megansantangelo5@gmail.com)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> August 16th: Corn Roast Potluck <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eli Savit, Candidate for Michigan Attorney General, will attend 4-6pm Kenwood Park RSVP and bring a dish to pass! 	<p>Information sharing.</p>																												

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • September 17th (tentative): WINEdown Wednesday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cadillac Winery 17480 18 Mile Road Leroy) ○ www.cadillacwinery.com ○ Purchase your own drinks, light snacks provided • October Event (date TBD): Make a Fall Centerpiece <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ In conjunction with More Joy Farm and Flowers ○ Looking at Thursday evenings in late October ○ There will be a small fee to participate ○ Location TBD (possibly WildFlour or the Commons) ○ Stay tuned for details! • Every Friday: Coffee Hour <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ After 26 Depot ○ 10am ○ All are welcome for fellowship and discussion ○ Stay after for a pop up at the Farm Market • The last collection for Foster Closet of Michigan will be at our September meetings; new organization for the quarter starting in October. More information of what they are looking for: https://fosterclosetofmichigan.org/wexford-missaukee-county/. • WCDP T-Shirts (\$15) and stainless-steel tumblers (\$20) are available for purchase. New XL shirts have been ordered and will be available in early September. Make sure to get your shirt to wear to community events! Nearly \$1,000 has been raised from shirt and tumbler sales. • Ideas for events or community outreach? Interested in being a part of planning social and community development events? Contact Meg! <p><u>Political Action and Advocacy Committee:</u> New committee! Looking for committee members who are inclined to organize action (pop ups, phone banks, postcard campaigns, townhalls, etc.).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bill volunteered to chair the committee; several people identified being willing to participate on this committee during previous meetings. • Contact Bill (1955wjallen@gmail.com) if you are interested in participating 																													
<p style="text-align: center;">Old Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July Strawberry Social was a success; well attended. • August Foster Closet Back to School event had 6 WCDP volunteers. It was a great event and we want to commit to helping next year. The Foster Closet folks were very grateful! • August 2nd Harrietta Blueberry Festival Parade <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 15 people participated in the parade 	<p>Information sharing.</p>																												

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ WCDP was well received – “The Democrats have come to Harrietta!” • State Candidate Visits Recap <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Barb Byrum (20-25 ppl attended) ○ Mark Totten (article in the paper) ○ Haley Stevens ○ Clyde Welford (came to Strawberry Social) • 2nd Congressional District Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Newsletter distributed on how to host an empty townhall ○ Next poker night is in October 																													
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant Request from Democratic Socialists of America* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ \$75 for event banner ○ Group priorities shared with request ○ Group discussion • Manton Harvest Festival Parade <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Chair is making efforts to contact festival organizers. ○ manton.harvestfest@gmail.com • Parade Float <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consider creating for future floats ○ Keep ears open for a trailer that may be available. • Empty Chair Townhall • Kitchen Table Conversation • 2nd Congressional District Blue Wave Luncheon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 10/11/2025 11am-2pm in Ludington ○ Seeking all 2nd District County Dem Parties to purchase a table (\$300; 8ppl). • MDP Party BBQ Fundraiser <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 8/18/2025 in Lansing • MDP Best in the West Fundraiser <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 10/4/2025 in Grand Rapids ○ Pete Buttigieg, keynote speaker 	<p>Upon motion duly made and seconded, the party unanimously approved to table the grant request from the Democratic Socialists of America pending review of group/movement resolutions.</p>																												
For the Good of the Cause	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post Card Writing Get Together Update (Erin Barbus) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Post Cards have been ordered; postage purchased. ○ Email with date will be sent to interested attendees when post cards arrive. • Mecosta County Democrats hosting an event at Hemlock Park on August 23rd that will include Mecosta County, Osceola County, Lake County, and Newaygo County Dems. Contact Chris Crain (chrisformi101@gmail.com) for more details 	<p>Information sharing.</p>																												
Adjourn	<p>7:00 p.m.</p>																													
Next Meeting	<p>Wednesday, September 10th, 2025 @ 5:30 pm MEA Office</p>	<p>Notes Provided by: Erin Barbus</p>																												

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