

Minutes for 11 July 2022 Meeting

King George Democratic Committee

1. Call to Order (6:59pm) (short officer meeting about budget at 6:45pm)
2. Intro from School Board member -- Dr. Cathy Cutright gave a brief introduction for her re-election for James Madison) and took questions from the audience. (15 minutes)
3. Updates from campaigns, if in attendance. (Rachel Rothman, the Director of Organizing for Spanberger, appeared via Zoom).
4. Treasurer's Report. Dues accepted via ActBlue (\$25) or by check (\$20). Please send checks made out to "King George Democratic Committee." KG Dems have \$4,400 prior to any checks written out to the Party after our meeting ended.
5. Old Business
 - a. **Rural PowerLab** – We were awarded our second check for \$500. These funds helped pay for postcards, postage, and vendor spots at various community events.
 - b. **Spanberger yard signs** available. Contact kgvadems@gmail.com for delivery or pick up at the next KG Farmers' Market.
 - c. **KG Farmers' Market** – The KG Dems are signed up for every Community Saturday in 2022, 8 a.m. – noon. **Need volunteers to staff the table.**
 - August 6
 - September 3
 - October 1
 - October 29 ("Spookfest")
 - d. **Successful events in June and July:** KG Dems staffed tables at the KG Farmers' Markets on June 4 and July 2; canvassed for Spanberger on June 18; hosted a social hour at BackPorch Vineyard on July 3; and staffed a table at the KG Independence Day Celebration on July 10 at Sealston. THANK YOU to all our volunteers and participants.
6. New Business
 - a. **Rural PowerLab Goals** – We are being asked to knock on 100 doors for our July goal. For each quarter that we meet our goals, we receive \$500 from Rural PowerLab.
 - b. **Spanberger canvasses** are scheduled every other week starting on Saturday, July 16 at 10 a.m. from the Smoot Library parking lot. No experience necessary. You will be partnered with someone. We are only going to "friendly" Dem doors to let people know about the November election and Rep. Spanberger.

- July 16 and 30
- August 13 and 27
- September 10 and 24

- c. **Spanberger road signs** have arrived. We need help putting them up in KG; we need someone with a truck. (K. volunteered.)
- d. **Phone Calls to Strong Dems** – We want to grow our committee by calling “strong Dems” in King George and inviting them to upcoming events (approx. 2,000 people). Need volunteers to make phone calls. (Susan will email volunteers with a script and list of names/numbers.)
- e. **Postcard packets** are available for Spanberger. Would like to host a “postcard party” – who can host it? Backyard or front porch parties; KG Dems can provide postcards, postage, addresses, drinks, and snacks. (K. Z. volunteered to host in August.)
- f. **Jazz In The County Event** – Saturday, August 27, 1 – 8 p.m. Considering staffing a table at this event. (longer day, sounds like our committee is a likely no)
- g. **Impactful Beginnings Back-to-School Family Event** – Saturday, July 30, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Considering staffing a table. (We will staff a table at this event).
- h. **Community Service** – Lots of need in our community these days. Would like to ask members to bring donations for one of the following to our next meeting:
 - i. **School Dressing Days** – backpacks/school supplies – (S. F. recommended offering these at the Impactful Beginnings event)
 - ii. **KG Love Thy Neighbor Food Pantry** – members to bring cereal to the August meeting to donate.
- i. **Voter registration.** Watch a 22-minute training video on YouTube and be certified to register voters in VA
 (<https://www.elections.virginia.gov/registration/registration-drives/voter-registration-training-video/>)

We have permission to set up a table at the KG Love Thy Neighbor Food Pantry. We could also register voters in other ways (door-to-door; at the Farmers’ Market, etc.).

- j. Other.
7. **Next meeting is Monday, August 1 at (adjusted time) 6:30 p.m. at the Smoot Library.**
 8. Meeting adjournment. (7:45pm)