

**Plymouth Area Democrats
Plymouth Senior Center
February 28, 2018**

Chair Joyce Weston welcomed the group and noted two changes:

- o 3/28 next monthly meeting (speaker has cancelled, so program TBD)
- o Grafton County Platform committee meeting date change from 3/24 to 4/7

Joyce presented the Powerpoint that reviewed the PAD 2017 activities

- o Community outreach plan (Francesca Diggs presented)
- o Referred the group to the "Issue" signs that are now available for visibility events
- o Sarah presented the new website, newsletter template and Facebook page as well as the continued effort to submit Letters to the Editor. Sarah introduced PAD to twitter and instagram
- o PAD calendar is now active and can include community events. Please feel free to add community events.
- o Please post to the PAD facebook page
- o Josh Adjutant ran (unsuccessfully) for HD9. He is now running for HD17.
- o We hosted a number of interesting speakers including Steve Marchand, etc.
- o PAD attended a number of Old Home Days as part of our outreach campaign
- o Keep the Heat On fundraiser for Plymouth Area Community Closet was a success again this year
- o Val Scarborough presented "The Way Forward".
 - Communications Chair is remaining in office
 - Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer offices are open positions.
 - Stephanie Osbourne and Val as Nominating Committee nominate and reviewed the bio's as follows:
 - Chair - Jay Knower
 - Vice Chair - "still seeking a nominee". Josh Adjutant has asked to run for this office, but Stephanie and Val have not met to determine if they will place him on the slate of nominations for this office. He may be someone we will be considering in March. If anyone interested in this position, please contact Val. PAD will also accept nominations from the floor at the March meeting.
- o A member asked how PAD was seeking nominations. The member suggested that emails are not the best way. He suggested

instagram. Sarah noted that indeed the FB is a closed group, so this is a change that Sarah can make for the future to make the FB page open. Sarah acknowledged the suggestion. Moises volunteered to help Sarah with social media.

- Secretary – Jennifer Legier
- Treasurer (one year term)– Paul Phillips
- Joyce emphasized that PAD needs more robust teams and ACTIVE team leader
- Joyce indicated that NHDP will not be providing money for the midterm campaign. PAD is trying to raise \$5,000 for the campaign headquarters and to help out PAD candidates.
 - Sarah will put up an online store to purchase swag
 - Kevin suggested that PAD should re-approach NHDP for funding because PAD works very hard to elect Democrats statewide.
 - Sally Fellows asked how much money we expected to make on bumper stickers? No specific answer was provided.
 - Sally suggested that the town wide yard sale might generate funds. This is also a way to connect with lots of people. (Joyce said this is a fundraising/visibility committee project and should be discussed and organized by the new board and its teams.)
 - Suzanne that Grafton County Dems will let us host a table for PAD at the Dem Convention.
 - Preparing for the mid-terms included the Summit that was held in January.
 - Joyce presented the PAD maps which identifies “good candidates” for most of the House positions. We still need two candidates for Grafton 9. We also need a Senate candidate.

Joyce welcomed people to write Post Card activity.

Suzanne Smith gave a summary of the status of the Northern Pass.

Steve Rand gave a summary of CACR19. Steve suggested that people reach out through email and phone particularly to Republican representatives to support this bill.

Meeting adjourned