Plymouth Area Democrats Plymouth Senior Center June 27, 2018

Meeting call to order 6:32 p.m.

Paul Phillips facilitated this meeting and began with introductions of the candidates that were present:

Suzanne Smith

Steve Rand

Kevin Maes

Linda Lauer, Grafton County Commissioner

Val Scarborough

Sue Ford

Molly Kelly

NatchGreyes

Joyce Weston

Sally Fellows

Dick Osborne

Josh Adjutant

Catherine Mullholland

Paul reminded everyone present that we do tape these General meetings and if there was a preference not to be on video to please let us know.

There was an appeal for a visibility team captain.

There was an appeal for help with the PAD storage clean out.

The Jason Kander event in July was announced.

A gubernatorial forum is on June 30th at The Barn in Plymouth, sponsored by Rights and Democracy. Event will be at 4 pm. The keynote speaker will be Nina Turner.

The Jeff Merkley event at the home of Francesca Diggs on July 14th was announced. Event will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and is co-hosted by Kevin Mayes. This will be a fundraiser for these two candidates.

Josh Rosch announced an event on Friday July 13th at the home of Suzanne Smith. She will be hosting John Delaney at 6 p.m. as a fundraiser for Bill Bolton

It was announced that a canvassing event will take place, beginning at home of Bill Bolton, on June 30th.

Molly Kelly was called forward to introduce herself and speak. She is a candidate for Governor of New Hampshire. She was a senator from 2006 to 2016. She is interested in a New Hampshire that works for everyone, including education, and jobs/skills training. Believes the school voucher program is wrong for New Hampshire that it weakens the New Hampshire public education. Gov Sununu approved \$100 million in tax breaks to the top 1%. She would repeal this. Calls for friendly public policy towards younger New Hampshire citizens and would include paid medical leave, and student loan forgiveness. Voter suppression and school safety are also on her agenda, as are universal background checks.

Minutes for May's general meeting were approved. Call for approval came from Suzanne Smith, was seconded by Kevin Maes and was unanimously approved.

Forum began approximately 7PM, which was facilitated by Kat Legier on the New Hampshire opioid crisis. Panelists included Keith Anderson, director of White Mountain Recovery Homes, 3 residents/house managers at White Mountain Recovery Homes (John Kingston, Peter York, Jaimie D'Alessandro), Sue Messinger, a local mother who tragically lost her son due to opioid overdose, Deb Navaro, Executive Director of CADY and Tracy Shamburger Director of The Bridge Project in Lincoln, New Hampshire.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.