



South Eastern Oxford County Democrats  
Oxford Hills Area Democrats  
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Meeting February 14, 2026, Norway at 1:00 pm

## Meeting Report

Meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm by Chair Donna McCarraher. We had 8 members in attendance, Misty Yates, Azalea Cormier, Carol Rothenberg, Pat Shearman, Janet Jamison, Dixie Waisanon, Ashley Zook, Donna McCarraher.

First we congratulated Janet on the excellent job she did putting together the Paris gathering on January 31 with Graham Platner, Troy Jackson, Matt Dunlap, Beth Bosworth, Peter Southam, Azalea Cormier, Savannah Sessions. Also, she expressed her appreciation for all who helped her.

We discussed possibly offering Zoom in our monthly meetings, we had Zoomed in Helene our last meeting, thought we should ask her if that worked satisfactorily. In that context, we discussed having Paige Loud, US congressional candidate from Old Town at one of our monthly meetings, or perhaps she could Zoom in due to the distance she has to travel. Paige has contacted us about attending one of our meetings, invited her for this meeting but she could not make it.

We also discussed pulling together an occasional meeting between the four Oxford County groups, perhaps with the Chairs of the groups or a representative or two from each group. We feel there is some overlap or redundancy going on and some better coordination might be helpful. We are sometimes getting lost in all the emails.

Carol told us that Chris Easton from Waterford has officially declared for HD81. Cheers erupted all around! Azalea Cormier from Buckfield is officially running for HD80, more cheers! We are still looking for a candidate for Oxford County Commissioner.

We had a powerful discussion about garnering support from Independent Voters and supporting them in return and how to go about that. That morphed into a discussion about how the political parties are listed on the voter registration form and some confusion ensued. We are making it a mission to clarify that weird situation somehow. To be continued....

There was brief discussion on upcoming caucuses, there is some trepidation from members new to the process, but then the process is changed with the town groupings as well, so we will follow the directions and get through it all.

Our next meeting is on March 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm at the Norway office.  
Meeting was adjourned at 2:31 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Donna McCarraher, *also* acting Secretary