

Minutes of the Oxford County Democratic Committee
21 June 2026

1:32pm Call to Order by Bruce Bryant.

Introductions were made by all attendees.

Accepted the resignation of Lee Hughes as Secretary of the county committee. Nomination by Jimmy McHugh and seconded by Pat Shearman for Caroline Mitchell to be new Secretary until elections in January of 2027. The deciding vote was unanimous.

Treasurer's Report:

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$11923.84	
INCOME		
Estate of Nancy Willard	\$223.86	
Craig & Mary Zuhorst	\$20.00	By Check
Act Blue (to date)	\$2192.31	
TOTAL	\$2436.17	
Office Rental	\$600.00	
Meeting Room Rental Fryeburg May 30	\$150.00	
Advertisiting		
Erikson Communications	\$2997.30	
Paint for signs (E. Lochhead)	\$34.76	
Sign Materials (J. McHugh)	\$417.08	
Donations to Candidaties		
Janet Jamison	\$250.00	
Timothy Holland	\$750.00	
Savannah Sessions	\$750.00	
Popup Tent	\$210.99	
Microphone	\$47.46	
Mailchimp	\$45.00	
TOTAL	\$6252.59	
ENDING BALANCE	\$81.07.42	

\$2,500 was spent on a video for clean elections. The videos taken at the last meeting were not able to be used due to clean elections rules, so they discounted \$1,000 off the original bill.

Ethics Committee due July 15th.

Motion by Jimmy McHugh, seconded by Peter Ross to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Update form the State Committee:

Pat Shearman that the state committee members are Pat Shearman, Caroline Mitchell, Quintan Flint, and our alternate is Tracy Berube. Our next State Committee meeting will be on Sunday, July 26, 2026 at 1pm.

Update from the Executive Board: the board has not met since February. The board consists of the state committee members, incumbent state legislators, a young Democrat from Oxford

County, the chairs of the four regional committees (River Valley, Bethel, Oxford Hills, Ossipee/Sacopee Valley,) the Chair of the County Committee, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, and Financial Secretary.

Old Business

1. County committee members from each town's caucus. 3 members are to be elected to the county committee membership from each town at every caucus. Make sure that each town does that from now on.
2. Current candidates with elections in November do not have to attend county meetings until after the election as they should be out knocking on doors.
3. Lee Hughes resigned. Caroline Mitchell has been elected as new secretary of the county committee.
4. Next Oxford County Democrat executive board elections will be held at the January meeting in odd numbered years: January 2027.
5. Mailed a fundraising letter out and would need volunteers to follow up with phone calls in a few weeks
6. Seeking an organizer who will help committee build its structure to win down the ballot.
7. No updates on Primary results
8. Working to create four committees:
 - a. Communications
 - b. Events
 - c. Down the Ballot
 - d. Fundraising/Financial
9. Training classes for Tier two funding.

New Business

1. Presentation from Communications committee
https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1OKvKHUTmLXrnxXNyx1HDYpJMqvSHjVzCTG112b_-MfU/edit?usp=sharing
2. House party rules for campaigns. If you host 3 or more candidates at one party, you do not have to file as in-kind with Maine clean elections.
3. Presentation from Events Committee
 - a. Booth at Fryebur. 350,000 visitors per year. There will be a timeslot chart for volunteers. Volunteers will get free tickets but we need to submit names and addresses 3 weeks ahead of time. Contact Jim. St. Pierre. Fryeburg wants a popup awning, table, chairs and swag.
4. July 4th Festivities.
 - a. Motion by Bruce (missed the second) to spend \$200 for each of the 5 areas. \$500 for Fryeburg popup, table, chairs, 2500 stickers, and three flags at \$80 each for SOAR for a total of \$1958.38.
 - i. Vote was 10-0
5. Motion by Janet Jamison. Seconded by Peter Ross to buy posters of each of our 14 local House and Senate candidates as well as the county candidates. 2 posters per candidate will be purchased for \$700 to use at county Democrat events.
 - a. Vote was 10-0

Adjourned.