

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD AREA DEMS

JUNE 16, 2026

MINUTES

Chair, Debbie Rosenman called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm

Roll Call:

Present:

Chair: Debbie Rosenman

Vice-Chair: Emery Pence

Recording Secretary: Corinne Shoop

Trustee: Nessa Feller

Trustee: Rakesh Ramakrishnan

Absent:

Treasurer: Libby Dzurka

Corresponding Secretary: Dave Goodman

The agenda and May minutes were accepted as posted without objection.

Chair Report:

So great to see you all here tonight. We have a great meeting planned for you.

What a time we are living in! Cage fights on the White House lawn, reflecting pools filled with algae, an ongoing war in Iran and our president sleeping through it all. It would be understandable to want to step away from the challenges of our time, but I am afraid that is just not possible when our democracy is at such great risk!

Let's celebrate the passion of our youth as they lead our candidate forum tonight. Let's stay as engaged as possible in helping to support our candidates and help get out the vote in August and then In November. Thanks, in particular, to our precinct delegate team who are doing just that.

Continue to support our club's PAC fund to help us afford to mail out the November voting guide to all Democratic voters in our club area.

Now is not the time to take a back seat. Be sure to vote in the upcoming primary election. Absentee ballots will be coming to your mailbox starting next week.

Thanks to everyone for being here tonight and staying involved as much as possible in the months ahead. We need each other more than ever.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Libby Dzurka was absent the Chair gave her monthly report. There are 2 accounts; the general account and the PAC account. The general account is used to pay for expenses to operate the club. We encourage donations to both accounts especially in an election year.

Committee Reports:

Precinct Delegate Liaison Report

Amy Voight is the club's Precinct Delegate Liaison. She advised that training started. She advised that the voter guide for the primary was forthcoming. She also reminded precinct delegates of the September 19, 2026, kickoff event at Beverly Park.

Political Organizing and Student Interns

Emery Pence is the chair of the political organizing committee. He advised that the post card campaign to Michigan voters continues.

He is actively recruiting new students for the internship program.

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

Guest speakers:

Kevin Deegan-Krause: Wayne State University professor, spoke on “Accountability in the Time of Trump: Where We Seem to be Heading Now”.

The student interns conducted a forum of the candidates running for Michigan State Senate District 7: Jason Hoskins, Shadia Martini and Rakesh Ramakrishnan.

Good and Welfare

Additional candidates spoke.

The July meeting is a social event July 21, 2026 at 6:30 at the Bev on Southfield Road.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35.