

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD AREA DEMS

MAY 19, 2026

MINUTES

Chair, Debbie Rosenman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Roll Call:

Present:

Chair: Debbie Rosenman

Vice-Chair: Emery Pence

Treasurer: Libby Dzurka

Recording Secretary: Corinne Shoop

Trustee: Rakesh Ramakrishnan

Absent:

Corresponding Secretary: Dave Goodman

Trustee: Nessa Fuller

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

Chair Report:

It has been a busy month since our last meeting. I wanted to share some of the highlights.

A few of us had the chance to meet some vibrant young woman at a gathering in Bloomfield Township of the Give a Damn Society. We were grateful to be invited to talk about our club. At the meeting, we were able to add ten more people to our mailing list and recruit four new precinct delegates and several volunteers.

At the end of April, we had a very successful House Party Fundraiser to raise funds for our PAC account, which is used to pay for our Voter Guide. Over \$4000 was raised, which is a good first step toward the total we need to send out the voter guide by mail in the fall. Several more precinct delegates were recruited there, along with adding a few more people to our club mailing list. You MUST see the video that was made at the event of candidates talking about our BBADEMs club in

a very positive light. Look for the link in the club newsletter that came out this morning!

We have been able to successfully sign up 130 precinct delegates, more than any other club, and are already working on adding more through the Write-in process. Thanks to all who stepped up to help with getting out the vote for the primary and general election.

Last week, I was one of five club chairs who participated in a discussion with some of the Oakland County Commissioners about the issues that have arisen at the Commission meetings. It was a productive talk, and we hope communication will improve in the near future. Stay tuned.

Our next big event will be the Beverly Hills Memorial Day Parade. Emery will be talking more about that. We hope MANY of you will sign up to walk with us!

In the meantime, keep up with our club newsletters and follow the club on Facebook where I also post reminders for upcoming events.

Our BBADEMs community is a wonderful place to belong!

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Libby Dzurka gave her monthly report. There 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 Voigt is the club's Precinct Delegate Liaison. She advised that PD training has started. Also asked that precinct delegates note September 19, 2026 as that is the kickoff event at the Beverly Hills Park.

Political Organizing and Student Interns

Emery Pence is the chair of the political organizing committee. He advised that there is a new postcard campaign. There is a present initiative by "Post Cards for Swing States"; wherein volunteers get 50 post cards for voters in Michigan seeking

the uncommitted voter or weak Republicans that may be dis-illusioned with Trump to get out and vote. The volunteer is responsible for postage.

The student interns are organizing and conducting a forum of the candidates for Michigan State Senate District 7 at the June meeting.

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

Guest speakers:

Jayme Petronzi from Indivisible Genesee County gave a presentation on the present threat to Social Security. The trifold handout was very informative.

Tom Turner candidate for Michigan State Representative District 57.
www.Turner4MI.com

Sheila Williams: candidate for Oakland County Probate Court

Good and Welfare

Additional candidates spoke.

The next meeting is June 16, 2026 at Birmingham Public Library; 6:30 socializing with the meeting starting at 7:00.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40.

Attendance

Doris Applebaum (ZOOM)

Howard Baron

Marion Blocker

Jan Calcaterra

John Correia

Libby Dzurka

Jody Harrington

Anne Honhart (ZOOM)

Pat Hultman
Miriam Imerman (ZOOM)
David Lauer
Julie Lichtenberg-Stern
Melanie and Katie Macey
Miriam MacLean (ZOOM)
Julie Maher
Danielle Mallon
Catherin Martin
Chris McKenna
Mike McKeown
Maureen and Douglas Moseley
Fred Newton
Robert Patzelt
Linda and Emery Pence
Jaymie Petronzi
Rakesh Ramakrishnan
Mark P. Reynolds
Debbie Rosenman
Sabrina Saunders
Stacey Schreiber
Nicholas Schroeck
Harriet Shakir (ZOOM)
Cynthia Shaw
Corinne Shoop
Gene Simms
Craig Spangler
Laurel Sparks
Lloyd and Susan Swan
Marti Szilagyi
Sandra Thake
John Paul Torres
Tom Turner
Don Ufford
Amy and Jeff Voight

Deborah Wahl

Sally Walker

Juergen Wiesenberger (ZOOM)

Gail Whitty (ZOOM)

Lynn Wiand ? (ZOOM)

Steve Wolok

Sheila Worthy-Williams

Linda Zlotoff

47 in attendance + 8 on ZOOM = 55 attendees