



FEBRUARY MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Sunday, March 20, 6:30 - 8:00 PM

Attendance: Charles S., Meg H., Joe Z., Bill W., Tim W., Julia M., Dan H., Polly H., Tina N., Robert S., York P., Emily B., Sive N., Rob R., Sharon C.

- **Gather (6:30-6:40) Chair, Charles Skold, Welcomes Everyone**
 - Popcorn style: Participants shared their name, preferred pronouns, and a rose/thorn (something positive that you have been thinking about, and something challenging)

- **Reports & Minutes (6:40-6:50 PM) Chair, Charles Skold**
 - Call to Order & Agenda Overview- Did not meet quorum tonight
 - Meg discussed voter outreach tomorrow at 6:30 (link below)
 - Discussed post card campaign to new registrants in Portland
 - Preparing for an organizing event in June
 - Chair's Report
 - Charles is running and will step down as Chair at the end of the month
 - Meg will be Acting Chair until the next PDCC Meeting
 - Anyone can run who is registered as a Democrat and who lives in Portland
 - Treasurer's Report
 - February financial report ([here](#)) (Treasurer was unable to attend)
 - Minutes approval
 - Approve minutes of February Meeting ([here](#)) (no caucus)

- **District Attorney Candidates Meet and Greet (6:50-7:40 PM)**
 - Discussion with Jackie Sartoris (6:50-7:15 PM)
 - Opening statement
 - Lives in Brunswick and works in Kennebec DA's Office. Thinks there are better way to resolve criminal conduct and wants to engage in conversations about modern reform. Believes prosecuting practices need to change. The District Attorney needs to recognize that they have an important role in policy.
 - Q&A
 - The DA's job is public safety, but also to take something bad and help make it better.
 - I am different because I have long practiced and lived democratic values and commitment.



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- Being a democrat means that rather than judgment, we have to look at others with the idea that they can be rehabilitated
- Questions from the audience
 - In re police reform
 - In re equal justice and application of the law
 - In re record on crime
 - Email: Sartoris4DA@gmail.com
- Discussion with Jonathan Sahrbeck (7:15-7:40 PM)
 - Opening statement
 - Current DA for Cumberland County, raised in Cape Elizabeth, background in prosecution. Has tried to focus on the opioid epidemic, restorative justice. Has worked with drug & veterans courts.
 - The DA's job is to prosecute cases, if it is in the interests of justice to do so, and prove it beyond a reasonable doubt if necessary
 - I am different because I have long practiced law, and built relationships and coalitions
 - Being a democrat is new to me
 - Questions from the audience
 - In re police training
 - In re data collection
 - In re becoming a democrat
 - Email: Sartoris4DA@gmail.com
- Announcements and Adjourn (7:50 PM)
 - Reminder Voter Outreach Meeting
 - Monday March 21, 6:30-7:30pm ([Join link](#))
- Next Meeting April 21st