

**November 13, 2024 Minutes**  
**Gratiot County Democratic Party Executive Committee**  
Meeting Held at our Office on Wright Ave. Alma, Mi

Meeting called to order by Chair, Christie Freestone at 1:15

Leadership Roll Call -

Christie Freestone (Chair) - P  
Al Bartholomew (Vice-Chair) - P  
Lisa Gregory (Secretary) - P  
Brent Devries (Treasurer) - P  
Nancy O'Brien (Parliamentarian/Governance) - A  
Caroline DeGraaf (Membership) - P

- Alma College Forums
  - **November 13 @ 7 PM In the Tyler-Van Dusen Heather Room** - This is the last session of the Reid-Knox Forums and will feature a panel of Alma College faculty: Understanding the 2024 Election. What just happened? How well did our democracy work?
  - **November 14 from 7-8 PM in the Andison Center at Alma College.** This event is jointly sponsored by the DSSP of Alma College and the Gratiot County Democratic Party. The speaker for this event is Tim Odykirk who just ran for the House of Representatives 92nd District and will share his reflections and experiences as a democratic running for office in a deep red district.
- Our PINS bowling event will be held November 23 1:00-3:00. We are looking forward to this opportunity to enjoy some fun together.
- The Executive Committee approved the purchase of a new computer to run Michigan's online software. Brent will look at prices and report back.
- We are actively Investigating ways to form a relationship with Alma College students. Christie will meet on the 20th with an Alma College group looking for community involvement opportunities and "mentors" for each of their five fields of study. She will report back.
- We would like to have a purely social event on Monday, November 25 at 6PM at our office that will offer members and friends an opportunity to get together informally to converse and support one another as we navigate our post-election world. All are welcome to attend.

- We will begin our November 18 General Membership Meeting, with our county convention to elect our Executive Committee for 2024. This should take about 15 minutes.

Next Meeting: General Membership Meeting - Monday, November 18, 2024 - 7:00 PM - Gratiot Democrats Office

Meeting Adjourned:

-Respectfully submitted by Lisa Gregory