

**Arizona Democratic Party State Committee Meeting 1/22/2022  
Held on Zoom**

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**Welcome**

**Review of decorum and disclaimer.**

**Call to order** 10:01am by Chair Teran, Welcome remarks summary - Thank you so much, Jeanne. We really do appreciate all the work. Everybody who is part of our staff, making sure we have a good meeting that will help us execute the business that we need to do as Democrats

**Pledge of Allegiance** led by veteran Bridget Bellavigna

**Tribal Land Acknowledgement** by April Ignacio, member of the Tohono O'odham.

**Rules of Debate.**

The rules for debate are essentially the same as they have been for our virtual meetings. More to the point, the limits on debate have been in place for many years and will allow us to debate issues and proceed through our business in an orderly fashion. Motions and discussion. A motion that requires discussion will have the following procedures: The presiding officer will first ask for three speakers in support and then three speakers in opposition. The presiding officer will give each speaker the opportunity to speak for one minute. After one minute, the presiding officer will ask them to finish their sentence.

**Motion to adopt the rules of Debate.**

move to adopt the motion  
second on the motion to adopt the rules of debate.

**Motion to amend the motion to two minutes and six speakers.**

Second on the motion to amend the motion.

**Call for the Credentials report.**

Madam Chair, the State Committee membership stands at 897 members. Quorum requires 359 members present in person or proxy. Currently, we have 595 members present, and 14 present by proxy. We have a total of 609 State Committee Members. Madam Chair, we have a **Quorum**.

**Vote on the motion to amend the motion passes 305-152.**

Vote on the motion on the floor- The rules of debate will be amended to two minutes each pro and con, with six speakers con.

**Vote on the rules of debate passes 347-115.**

**Moment of Silence for those Democrats recently passed.**

Chair Teran- Arizona along with our progressive partners we have fought for years to build our foundation and own the power that comes with being a battleground state. So, we must honor and remember the Democrats who entrusted their time, their talent their treasure with the expectation that we would lead. So please, if you could join me in a moment of silence as we remember these changemakers who will forever be in our hearts.

**. Chairs' Report-Raquel Teran.**

I want to start off with recognizing that today is the 49<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Roe vs. Wade and the Supreme Court has made it clear that our right to on abortion is at greater risk than ever before. We want to honor those who fought so that we have the right to choose and remain committed to that fight. 17 months ago, we lost our home, and I know we all remembered what it felt like to learn that the building that housed our headquarters was destroyed. It was devastating. That's why I'm so excited to join you today from our new home, the Arizona Democratic Party headquarters. A new headquarters isn't the only thing we have to celebrate. As we head into the 2022 election, Arizona is once again a battleground state, and we must expand our 2020 wins to every level of government, and to every corner of the state. It is not enough to talk to voters during the months before the election. We can't put our head in the sand, but let me be clear, this is -- there is -- there is a path to a Democratic majority. to win here in Arizona, we need to earn and keep the support of a diverse coalition of voters. Look how incredibly close our wins in 2020 were, and this November races will be close too. This brings us to the elephant in the room. Senator Sinema voted to protect a rule that is not in our Constitution, the filibuster. And while our party is a true coalition, there's room for disagreement on policy and this issue we have been consistent and vocal over the last year. This morning the executive board of the Arizona Democratic Party met, and we did, in fact, vote to formally censure Senator Sinema. We must focus, and we cannot let our disappointments overshadow the difference between Democrats -- the difference

Democrats have made in everyday lives of Arizonans. I will say it again, I believe that organizing in our new American electorate is the key to growing our Democratic base and doing so would not be possible without every single one of you.

**Executive Director's Report by Charlie Fisher.**

You just heard from the Chair about our exciting new home and commitment to engaging throughout the redistricting process and a small sampling of President Biden and Democrats at the federal level. I could not be more excited about Project 15/30 and the foundation we established in 2021. In a short time, our Project 15/30 team has recruited and trained hundreds of volunteers, made over 15,000 phone calls, and in just the first few weeks of 2022, we hosted the statewide opportunities to connect with the 20,000 voters who left the Arizona Republican Party since January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021. We know that we have our work cut out for us, and we have our fair share of challenges in 2022, but I can honestly say that I could not be more grateful to be an Arizona Democrat at this moment in history. We have some of the most empowered and influential voters in this country. We have the power, collectively, to help retain majorities at the federal level and change the balance of power here at home in one single election. Please join us. Let's focus on the opportunity. Let's commit to the work and let's continue to move Arizona in the direction that we all know we can go.

**Update from Elections Director Franny Sharpe.**

While the maps that were passed late last month are far from perfect, they do provide pathways to Democratic majorities in the state and congressional delegation. That was far from a guaranteed outcome and the fact that we do have maps that provide those pathways to majorities is a testament to the work of everybody in this room. Although far from perfect they do provide pathways to Democratic majorities, and we feel confident that through the decade, this map will become more and more favorable to Democrats across Arizona. We should all be proud of their fantastic work, and we owe them a huge thank you. Thank you, everyone! Onward to November!

**Update from ADLCC Executive Director Liz Luna.**

We will need you. We will need you to be ready to knock on doors, make calls, donate to both the ADLCC and our legislative candidates. Here is our commitment for 2022. We will continue to build campaign

infrastructure that will focus on building our connections with our supporters to also support a data-driven campaign strategy, and as we know, polling is not perfect, but we will find a solution to be able to connect with our voters and their values. So today, I ask you all to join me by donating to our efforts at the ADLCC. You can visit us at ADLCC.com, or also helping us organize around our legislative candidates across this state. We need you all because we are so close to a majority. Thank you.

#### **Update from the Mission for Arizona Coordinated Campaign Sean McEnerney and Lorenza Ramirez. Video**

We are so excited to be talking with y'all in the beginning of the election year as our campaign continues to build up and get ready for the midterm. This will be an incredibly interesting election from the top of the ballot and on down. We are looking forward to working with y'all as we grow our campaign this year. Thank you so much. Happy election year, and we'll see you soon.

#### **Remarks from Majority leaders Rep. Bolding and Sen. Rios.**

Democrats inside and outside of the chamber will never stop fighting for our values. We must be united to ensure we get the Arizona we want and the Arizona we need. Democrats will never stop fighting to ensure that Arizonans have the best quality of life possible. Thank you, and let's work toward a Democratic majority!

#### **Video- Shout out to our Legislators.**

Thank you to everyone who worked hard to elect Democrats. This past legislative session should have been focused on COVID recovery, but instead the GOP majority used it to attack education funding. We have the momentum to flip Arizona in the upcoming election.

#### **Remarks from Congressman Tom O'Halleran. Video**

Arizona is a front-line state. This is a battle for the majority in Congress. As the leadership has informed me time and time again, we must win it.

#### **Remarks from Congressman Greg Stanton. Video**

As proud as I am of the work we have done, all of us know the work is not finished. Our vote, the foundation of our democracy is under attack. Arizona Democrats, we have a tough task ahead because the road to protecting our democracy starts with Democrats winning elections in 2022. You got it done in 2020, But we must do it one more time in 2022.

**Remarks from Secretary Katie Hobbs. Video**

I never back down when things get tough. No matter the challenge, I will always stand up for what's right. We have all seen firsthand over this past year, that our state government is being run by a group of conspiracy theorists that out of touch with everyday Arizonans and the issues that matter most.

**Remarks from Aaron Lieberman. Video**

I want an Arizona that works for everyone. That's the opportunity that we have, we can do it if we seize this moment. We've got to try new approaches to education, to healthcare, to ensuring that we have clean air and water and a booming economy, that will help every Arizonan be successful.

**Remarks from Marco Lopez. Video**

We need a governor who is going to restore that promise of Arizona and fight for working families, across our state, like mine, who are just trying to build a better future for themselves. I believe in the promise of Arizona and that it is still possible to achieve, but sadly for far too many people, that promise is out of reach.

**Remarks from Rep. Reginald Bolding. Video**

We can use our voice at this time, in this moment, to speak out against injustice. Elected leaders should win on the strength of their ideas, not their ability to gain the system. Voters should pick their politicians. Politicians should not pick their voters.

**Remarks from Adrian Fontes. Video**

Thank you for not just keeping the faith but making Arizona a better place. We have moved the chains forward and we are going to keep doing so. We've got the right policies. We've got the right candidates and we have the right gumption and fight.

**Remarks from Kris Mayes. Video**

There is so much at stake in 2022. We've got to protect our reproductive rights. We must fight for our democracy, and we must fight for Arizona's future.

**Remarks from Diego Rodriguez. Video**

We need to take action to defend our democracy. As a lifelong Democrat, I stood by my values for my entire adult life and I'm advocating for our values, our shared values, even when no one was looking and even when it didn't directly benefit me.

**Remarks from Martin Quezada. Video**

I have spent my entire life living in Arizona and fighting for our shared values of healthcare for full, fully funded public education and affordable housing. For too long, the people of Arizona haven't had a voice at the table when it comes to the management of our state finances. It's time we change that. And it's time that we all had a say in managing, investing, and protecting our taxpayer dollars.

**Remarks from Sandra Kennedy. Audio**

With the goal of making Arizona the solar capital of the world, with sustainable jobs that pay well, and huge economic development benefits, feet dragging on retiring pollution sources of this magnitude is unacceptable.

**Remarks from Jonathon Hill. Video**

I believe more people with science and engineering backgrounds should run for public office, and that's the primary thing I would hope to bring to the Commission by adding an engineer and scientist's perspective to their decision-making process.

**Minutes- Approved as distributed.**

**Treasures Report by Rick McGuire. Confidential**

**Five-minute break-Return to meeting at 12.46pm.**

**Bylaws changes presented by Rules Chair Anne Greenberg.**

Code of Conduct and suggest bylaw changes.

Motion to Adopt.

**Vote taken; 199-264 the report has not been accepted.**

**Resolutions** Chair Rina Wojck

1. Go Solar resolution.
2. Privatization of Medicare (DCE)
3. Indigenous Land and original steward acknowledgment
4. Arizona Voting Rights

**Motion**

to adopt all four in a slate.

**Motion**

to pull Privatization of Medicare for discussion.

**Motion**

to pull Arizona Voting rights for discussion.

**Motion**

to approve Go Solar and Indigenous land and original steward acknowledgment.

**Go Solar and Indigenous Land and original steward acknowledgment.**

Adopted unanimously.

**Rules of Debate- review by Jeanne Lunn.**

**Resolution- Privatization of Medicare (DCE).**

Adopted by Acclamation.

**Resolution-Arizona Voting Rights.**

Adopted by Acclamation.

**Update from 15/30 Deputy Organizing Director Lauren Burson.**

I'm excited to introduce you to our newest voter registration program called Hair Care. The idea behind Hair Care is to partner with our local stylists and barbers and cosmetologists to help folks get registered to vote while they get their haircut. We have a program that allows you to text your own hair stylist or friends or people that are in your phone's contact list and ask them to text their barber or if you are texting your hair stylist to ask them to. So to get started, step one is simply to download the app. It's called Impactive, fill out your account information and look for your confirmation in your email and you are ready to start texting. We are always open and welcome, and we are very fortunate and grateful to get to work to all of you. I know this can be really difficult, but you make it all worth it and we are going to win. We'll win this year and it's all the hard work and sacrifice will be worth it. So thank you.

**Elections-Secretary.**

Floor opened for Nominations.

Nomination of Lisa Sanor by Roberto Reveles.

Call for other nominations from the floor.

Motion to accept the Candidate by acclamation.

Seconded

**The motion to elect by Acclamation is Adopted.**

**Closing remarks from the Chairwoman summary.**

Thank you for spending the day with us. Thank you to all of our volunteers who answered questions, and sometimes they weren't nice questions or sometimes they were more aggressive, but you took it with a smile open your face. Thank you to the county chairs. Thank you to all of our staff. Thank you to our guest parliamentarian for being here. And with that, I will entertain a motion to adjourn.

**Motion to Adjourn.**

**Meeting Adjourned.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Sanor, ADP Secretary