NCDP State Chair Wayne Goodwin called the meeting to order at 6:40PM and called for a Moment of Silence and Meditation.

Everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Secretary Melvin Williams conducted a Roll Call which showed that 42 of the 47 Members were present.

The Agenda of the meeting was considered. Minor amendments were made. Charles Johnson made a motion to approve the Agenda as amended. Cliff Moone seconded the motion. The Agenda was approved by a voice vote.

The following special guests were recognized:
- Senator Mujtaba Mohammed in whose district we were meeting
- Nash County Commissioner Mary Wells who was saluted for winning re-election in 2018 with 62.5% of the vote
- Wake County Board of Education Member Keith Sutton who announced he is running for Superintendent of Public Instruction

The Minutes of the June 9, 2018 Executive Council meeting were brought forward for review. A motion was made by Chris Hardee and seconded by Roger Cooper to say that certain matters were referred to “the Plan of Organization Rewrite Committee” instead of the “Council of Review.”

This motion to correct the June 9, 2018 Minutes was adopted unanimously.

Wayne Goodwin made a report on his activities and accomplishments during his two-year term as State Chair. He said “promises were made and those promises were kept.”
Randy Voller asked if Democrats in 2018 had picked up legislative seats outside the areas which had been redistricted. Executive Director Kimberly Reynolds pointed out several legislative seats that were picked up outside the redistricted areas.

Activity and achievement reports were then made by
- First Vice Chair Aisha Dew
- Second Vice Chair Matt Hughes
- Third Vice Chair Nida Allam
- Secretary Melvin Williams
- Treasurer Anna Tilghman said the Treasurer’s report would be deferred until the 2019 Budget is discussed later in the meeting
- Richard Poole, President of the County Chair Association

Michael Maher, candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction spoke to the Council.

OLD BUSINESS

Cliff Moone reported on the activities and actions of the Plan of Organization Rewrite Committee which he heads. He said his Committee recommends establishment of an Auxiliary Council of Review.

He said his Committee’s recommendations would affect Sections X.04 and X.06 of the POO.

Executive Director Kimberly Reynolds gave a progress report on the renovation of the State Party Headquarters. She said the building “is no longer about to rot.”

She said the internal gutters have been repaired, they have finished renovation of the outside of the building, and that many other repairs have been made.

Next on the renovation agenda are: painting the entire outside of the building, replacing the rugs, and many more repairs.

Jesse Goslen said his mother-in-law was the original decorator of the Goodwin House and she wants to be on the redecoration committee.
The State Chair reaffirmed his desire to remove Governor Morrison’s name from the State Headquarters. He distributed copies of a motion authorizing the removal of Governor Morrison’s name.

Ray McKinnon made a motion to adopt this motion. Many members seconded the motion.

Colby Moore asked if there was an agreement with the Morrison family to keep the Governor’s name on the Headquarters. Chair Goodwin said there was not an agreement.

A motion was made to call for the question. It was passed by a voice vote.

The Council then unanimously passed the main motion supporting the removal of Governor Morrison’s name from the State Headquarters by a voice vote.

Randy Voller talked about Eli Global’s donation to the Building Fund and questioned whether the Party will regret accepting that donation in the future. Kimberly Reynolds explained why she felt the Party should keep the donation.

DNC Member Shelia Huggins gave a report of the Auxiliary Chartering Committee which she chaired. She said her committee reviewed the Bylaws of all NCDP auxiliaries. She said she will make a report to the SEC meeting on the following day.

NEW BUSINESS

Ninth Congressional District Chair Cynthia Wallace announced a Fair Elections Rally to be held at Elizabethtown Middle School on February 2nd. She urged everyone to attend.

The State Chair talked about the fact that Mark Martin, Chief Justice of the NC Supreme Court, is resigning.

The Council then heard reports from the following Democratic leaders:

Second District – Gwen Wilkins
Third District – Chris Hardee
Fifth District – Charlie Wallin
Sixth District – Jim Meredith
Seventh District – Francisco Diaz
Eighth District – Trent Davis

Ninth District – Cynthia Wallace
Tenth District – Betsy Wells
11th District – Kathy Sinclair
12th District – An unidentified man
13th District – Roger Cooper
State Chair Goodwin announced that absolutely no recordings nor videos could be made during this meeting.

Reports were then made by:
Linda Wilkins-Daniels – AAC
Dr. Grace Galloway-AAPI
John Easterling – College Dems
David Nelson – Progressive Caucus
Anne Evangelista – Young Dems
Jesse Goslen – Small Business
Darren Janz – Teen Dems

Council of Review Chair Sybil Mann made a report on the Council’s activities. She stated that two petitions were currently before the Council. She reported that she and several COR Members had recently traveled to Robeson County to get information about a petition.

A motion was made for the Executive Council to go into Executive Session. It was seconded and passed by a voice vote.

After considering several matters, Chris Hardee made a motion to come out of Executive Session. The motion was seconded by many members and was passed by a voice vote.

The State Chair requested that the Minutes show that a motion to adopt the 2019 Budget had been approved during the Executive Session. He also requested that the Minutes reflect that a Performance Review of the Executive Director had been conducted during the Executive Session.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Melvin Williams, Secretary
North Carolina Democratic Party