

2019 Global Meeting

Day 1- May 17, 2019

20 F Conference Center, Washington DC

9:00 AM – Chair, Julia Bryan calls the meeting to order and begins with some morning announcements, Will Bakker goes over some of the meeting rules and guidelines, Kat describes WebEx rules.

New DPCA members take turns introducing themselves.

9:45 AM- Kirstin Gillibrand in-person speech

10:15 AM- Coffee break

10:25 AM- Doug Jones joins via WebEx.

10:55 AM- Jeffrey calls roll, determines that we have a proxy present with 70 members in person, 19 members by proxy in person, 22 members on webex, 3 members by proxy on webex.

11:05 AM - Will Bakker introduces DA Finland, country committee in formation applying for full membership.

Dana Freeling and Derek Sellin give a short statement about DA Finland and the process of starting a new Country Committee.

Julia moves to accept DA Finland. The body votes to approve DA Finland's CC status, and the Finland Chair and Vice Chair will carry 1 vote each until the next vote allocation.

Will Bakker proposes 90 second time limit for speakers, seconded by Aaron Kruse. No discussion, unanimous ayes in room and on webex.

Will Bakker moves to adopt the agenda as it was distributed by the International Chair- while empowering the International Chair to deviate from the agenda to accommodate guest speakers.

Will rises to speak on this matter, explaining the rules of this motion. When we reach the scheduled end or beginning of any subject on the agenda, we must end or begin the subject, and we must move on to the next topic. If there is a motion on the floor at the end of time, it must be voted on in order to continue. To go longer/change the rules, we must adopt the change with a vote of 2/3rds. This is to help our members joining via webex attending around the world with different timezones, to keep the schedule on time. No other members rise for discussion.

Julia calls the question- ayes in room, and on webex.

Motion passes.

11:15 AM- Julia presents the Chair's Report

(<https://wiki.democratsabroad.org/download/attachments/39780950/2019%20Chair%27s%20Report.pdf?api=v2>)

11:35 AM- Alex presents the Vice Chair's Report, and presented the VFA3 roadmap.

(<https://wiki.democratsabroad.org/download/attachments/39780950/DA%20Vice%20Chair%27s%20Report%20-%202019-05.pdf?api=v2>)

12:00 PM – Lissette presents the Treasurer’s Report
(<https://wiki.democratsabroad.org/download/attachments/39780950/2019%20Treasurer%27s%20Report.pdf?api=v2>)

12:10 PM – Jeffrey presents the Secretary’s Update, and moves to approve the minutes from last meeting.
(<https://wiki.democratsabroad.org/download/attachments/39780950/Secretary%27s%20Uodate%202019.pdf?api=v2>)
Seconded by: Julia, ayes in room and on webex.

12:20 PM – Tom presents the Counsel’s Report.

12:30 PM – Break for Lunch.

1:30 PM – Julia introduces Susan Vaillant to begin the Resolutions portion of the meeting. Julia announces that she will allow authors of the resolution to have a 90 second introduction. But the resolution belongs to the body, and after the submission process belongs to the Resolutions Committee.

Resolution 1- Honoring Arian Ardie, presented by Kat Allikian
Julia moves to adopt this resolution. Seconded by Kat, unanimously passed.

Resolution 2- Online ballot return for UOCAVA Voters.
Eileen presents this resolution.
Adrienne yields her 90 seconds to Eileen.
Patrick brings up comments regarding the security of online balloting.
Tom speaks about his experience with the Illinois election process, and how paper ballots that are remarked are handled. He also states his support for this resolution.
Julia calls the question seconded by Will. Ayes in the room and on webex, Resolution 2 is passed.

Resolution 3- USCIS closures outside the United States.
Carmelan presents this resolution.
Katie asks a question regarding the impact of the changes and how it would affect waiting times.
Will speaks on what he has heard that the impact would increase waiting times because the change would in effect add these tasks to the
Jessica Craig speaks on her objection with the term “Family Separation” in the title of the resolution. Proposes an amendment to insert language that defines “family separation” as occurring under the zero tolerance policy and makes a distinction on the type of family separation. The amendment is seconded in the room.

Will displays the amendment on screen for attendees in person and on webex.

“Whereas family separation is occurring since 2017 with unprecedented numbers and unprecedented cruelty at the southern US border as part of the Trump Administration’s

zero tolerance policy and Democrats Abroad does not equate this extreme inhumanity with “family separation” that will likely occur from the closure of USCIS offices abroad;”

Carmelan rises to disagree with the amendment on the language change, and does not feel like we should differentiate a specific type of a family separation.

Martha speaks against the amendment about how Family Separation has been an issue that Democrats Abroad has been dealing with for decades and there are so many kinds of family separation that affects us and others around the world. Points out that there are so many kinds of Family Separation that affects more than just the people in the room. She does not believe that we are equating one type of family separation to another, and that we are against all types of family separation and does not have an alternative. Disagrees with the amendment as it specifies two kinds of family separation.

Eric speak against the amendment and mentions how family separation is being used differently in the media. Suggests that we not make a judgement call about the types of family separation, and that we are talking about a specific issue that affects Democrats Abroad. Proposes an amendment to replace the amendment proposed by Jessica: “Whereas we understand “family separation” in this resolution to be unrelated at the southern US border;”

Second from Dana.

Amanda speaks against the amendment and points out that the sentence just before in the original resolution clarifies both of these issues, defines family separation, and the specific issues that affect Democrats Abroad.

Madeline suggests an amendment to add language that Democrats Abroad is against all types of “Family Separation.”

Tom makes a point of order that amendments cannot go more than 2 levels deep.

Madeline’s comments are out of order for now, but can be revisited once we finish discussing and voting on the amendment to the amendment.

Will confirms the point of order, Madeline’s amendment is out of order and cannot be considered, and also brings up that the amendment suggested by Madeline does not have any substantive changes from the original amendment brought up by Jessica.

Bob Vallier – by bringing up the US border, we have to clarify what family separation means and doesn’t mean in a resolution, suggests language specific with regards to how the issue affects Americans living abroad trying to move back to the US. Does not agree with the amendments that point out anything to do with the US Southern Border.

Ada moves to table the amendment to the resolution and to send this to a drafting committee.

Will clarifies that we cannot table the amendment, a motion to table applies to the entire resolution.

Tom clarifies that if we table the resolution, he suggests that it could be picked up later on in this meeting, or postponed indefinitely, or refer to a drafting committee.

**Ada moves to table the resolution until a later point in the meeting, and for a draft committee to clarify language. Seconded by Julia.
Ayes have the vote.**

Resolution 3 is tabled for later on.

Resolution 4- Open service of Transgender members of the Armed Services.
Martha introduces this amendment and mentions that this is based on a bill that has been passed in the House, and is working it's way through the Senate. Also stresses that there are no protections regarding employment.

Kiyoko speaks on her experience serving in the US military as a transgender person and strongly supports the resolution so that others do not have to go through what she had to go through.

Carmelan speaks in support of this resolution, moves to add a whereas
Whereas the ban on transgender people mitigates the efforts of the armed services to maintain an adequate volunteer force by limiting recruitment and reducing existing forces. The policy therefore not only weakens our armed forces but also deprives young Americans who want to serve the nation, of training and a viable career path.

Julia seconds the amendment.
Kiyoko speaks in support of the amendment.

David Hoyt makes a point of order asking about procedure for Friendly Amendments.

Wen-wen proposes that we change "mitigates" to "obstructs," no objections.

Whereas the ban on transgender people obstructs the efforts of the armed services to maintain an adequate volunteer force by limiting recruitment and reducing existing forces. The policy therefore not only weakens our armed forces but also deprives young Americans who want to serve the nation of training and a viable career path.

Call for votes on the amendment: ayes in the room and on webex.

Moving back up to resolution as amended.

Call for votes: ayes in the room and on webex.

Resolution 4 as amended passes.

Tom makes a point of order- we used the process of asking for any objections for an amendment to an floor amendment, and if nobody objects, we can unanimously amend something in line with Robert's Rules of Order. This is why we did not vote twice to approve an amendment to an amendment, then vote on the original amendment before voting on the original resolution as amended in Resolution 4.

Resolution 5: Venue political donations

Will Prescott from Mexico introduces the resolution, urges the organizers of the events to consider the donation history of vendors.

Salli Swartz from France has two questions- 1) why are we limiting this to Washington DC? 2) She would like to see this as a best faith effort, or a protocol for vendors to make it stick. And wants to know how this would be enforced.

Bob Rooney from the UK, points out the possible burden for volunteers to track down what could be a complicated web of vendors and companies, and how much time it would take to determine if these vendors would handicap us in the future. He recognizes the need, but it seems harsh.

Will Bakker, as a member of the excom who has been involved in the process- and points out that “encouraged to consider” gives the excom the flexibility to determine just how much, and will continue to do this in the future bidding processes.

Will Prescott answers question regarding why this only applies to Washington DC, and points out the second resolve clause encourages us to expand the concepts of this resolution to apply to all major procurements. So both of Salli’s questions are answered.

David questions if we could hold future meetings in the Trump hotel and follow his business practices and not pay for the venue after holding a meeting.

No other discussion.

Julia moves to a vote. Ayes in the room and online.

Resolution 5 is adopted

Resolution 6: National Popular Vote Interstate Compact

David Mivasair speaks on behalf of the resolution, explains that the NPVIC is a way for states to work around the electoral college and cast electoral college votes for the winner of the national popular vote regardless of how the state voted.

Julia moves to a vote: ayes in the room and on webex.

Resolution 6 is adopted.

Resolution 7: RVC Job Descriptions and Elections Process

Sue Alksnis speaks as author on behalf of the resolution. This resolution is an attempt to bring the charter up to date. Makes suggestions to the Executive Committee to encourage Charter Amendments for the purpose of clarifying the RVC position and election procedures.

Ada Shen from France disagrees with the fourth clause that restricts a member of the NEC to participate in the election. Voting in an election does not cause a conflict of interest. Seconded in the room. Julia asks for objections. Hearing no objections in the room or on webex- the body strikes the fourth whereas clause.

Tom speaks against the resolution, and says that this resolution doesn't propose anything concrete, and the resolution does not have specific actions/language. This should be proposed as concrete language/Charter Amendments rather than a Resolution.

John Chudy speaks against the resolution, and explains that that section of the charter is left over from previous bylaws, so that the Regions could handle the elections, and points out that we are able to work with the convention rules as stated in the charter.

Josh van der Ploeg speaks against the resolution, it should be an internal governance issue that is submitted to the bylaws committee and objects to the resolution as well.

Susan Brennan opposes the resolution as well, and speaks on how she thinks RVC elections should be run.

Julia calls the question- nays have it in the room and online.

Resolution 7 fails.

Resolution 8: Resolution to endorse Medicare for All

Kent introduces this resolution. No one should be left uninsured, the elimination of all financial impediments, comprehensive care, people will not fall through the cracks. Decades of research has concluded that universal health care is the best method for protecting the health of everyone.

Orlando speaks on behalf of the resolution and believes that universal health care is a right.

Sierra speaks on behalf of the resolution and points out that many Americans living abroad may move home and need to have the assurance that they will have health care if/when they return to the US. "Healthcare refugees" story from the book. She urges everyone to support this resolution.

Alaina Vaisey is recognized by the Chair and speaks on behalf of the resolution.

Bruce Murray speaks in support of the resolution.

Julian Becker would like to amend the resolution with the following text:

Whereas Medicare does not currently cover healthcare provided to United States Citizens who require healthcare when living and traveling abroad,

Be it further resolved that Democrats Abroad will campaign for policies to ensure that, upon Medicare covering all persons living in the United States, Americans residing abroad will be permitted to buy into Medicare if not covered by universal healthcare systems in their countries of residence;

Be it further resolved that Democrats Abroad will campaign for an expansion of Medicare entitlements so that all persons covered by Medicare may, when residing or travelling outside the United States, have their medical care funded by Medicare to the same extent that it would be funded in the United States.

Carmelan speaks against the amendment to the resolution because this requires that the resolution does not go far enough to establish a group of people to lead this effort and champion the effort. We run the risk of telling people that we will do things for this purpose, but not actually follow through to ensure that we advocate on these issues. If we promise to advocate on these issues, but nobody steps up to volunteer on these matters, it's worse than not passing the resolution.

Sue Alksnis speaks against the amendment, and mentions that there is a very active nationwide campaign for the house bill, and would recommend that DA gets involved in the existing activities. She also mentions that the working group on Medicare For All does not have the bandwidth to increase the scope of their project to include things in this resolution, and does not support the amendment.

Julian Becker rises to amend his amendment, to change text to "will support" instead of "will campaign," but withdraws the amendment.

David Haught objects to the amendment because of the second clause that enables people who have never paid into Medicare should be able to buy into Medicare that other people have been paying into, and says that it wouldn't be fair to people who have been paying the premiums for many years.

Josh agrees with Carmelan's point, and thinks we should have a working group and champions for this issue, and thinks that the resolution is a starting point for the ExCom and the DPCA members to start working on the issue as an issue that affects Democrats Abroad members around the world.

Anna Marie agrees that without a task force/working groups, there are no legs for the resolve clauses. It's nice to say the things in this resolution, but without the support to make these resolve clauses to happen, there wouldn't be any point.

David Wenk asks to extend time.

Julia moves to extend time and go through the coffee break and stop when the speaker from Bernie Sanders' campaign arrives.

Motion to extend fails, did not receive a 2/3 vote.

Julia moves to adopt the amendment to the resolution as displayed, without any additional changes. Voice vote followed by a rollcall vote/done by finger count:

78 aye, 80.5 nay.

Amendment does not pass. Resolution still not voted on.

Resolutions will continue tomorrow when meeting reconvenes.

May 18, 2019

Day 2- Democrats Abroad Global Meeting

9:30 AM – Julia Bryan introduces Jason Rae, DNC Vice Chair

Jason remarks about his experience getting involved in his local democratic party, and at the national level as a young dem.

He also brings up the Organizing Corp program to enable new young leaders to get involve and become the future of the party.

10:35 AM – Julia hands the meeting over to Nominations and Elections Committee Chair Shari Temple.

The NEC presentation and Global Teams reports will be presented in an alternating order.

Julia Bryan and Wyatt Horan for Chair.

Voice vote results with Julia elected Chair.

Wyatt Horan and Alex Montgomery for Vice Chair.

Voice vote results with Alex elected Vice Chair.

Wyatt Horan and Lissette Wright for Treasurer.

Voice vote results with Lissette elected Treasurer

Jeffrey Cheng and Wyatt Horan for Secretary.

Voice vote results with Jeffrey elected Secretary.

Salli withdraws her candidacy. Kiyoko moves to elect Joe Smallhoover by acclamation.

Orlando opposes the vote by acclamation.

Shari calls for a voice vote to elect Joe Smallhoover as Counsel.

Voice vote results with Joe elected Counsel.

Shari, as chair of the NEC announces the new International Executive Committee:

Julia Bryan, Chair

Alex Montgomery, Vice Chair

Lissette Wright, Treasurer

Jeffrey Cheng, Secretary

Joseph Smallhoover, Counsel

These board members join the three additional members elected at the Regional levels:

11:55 AM-

Julia announces the start of the Global Team Reports.

(<https://wiki.democratsabroad.org/display/WashDC2019/2019+Presentations+and+Documents>)

1p1v special committee

Jody Quinnell presents the second report and findings of the 1P1V special committee.

Julia moves to extend the 1p1v special purpose committee through the 2021 global meeting, with members to be appointed by the Int'l Chair, in order to:

- Research and disseminate information on NEC practices and improving recruitment and orientation of Voting Representatives and Alternates;
- Consider means of strengthening meaningful remote participation including via WebEx;
- Continue to review voting allocation and other related considerations
- And examine other issues as the DPCA or ExCom may refer to it

Seconded by Marnelle

Meagen Lopez asks for clarification and wonders why WebEx is mentioned over other services that she thinks are easier and simpler to use.

Aaron Kruse rose to speak in support of the motion, brings up a question about the 1p1v work on voting allocation, and wanted to see delivery of suggestions/impacts on how different vote allocations would affect the organization.

Patrick Oderlander wants to clarify what the timing means for how long this committee will work.

Julia clarifies that with the motion on the floor, the committee would work through the 2021 global meeting and dissolve after the end of the meeting.

Gordon Gaul asks if the committee would look into improvements for voting/tallying/showing votes on screen.

Katie Solon speaks to voting allocation with DA, other state parties and the DNC, agrees with Aaron, and suggests that the Int'l chair consider this when determining the makeup of the committee, so that they look into some of these systems/protocols for streamlining/making things more transparent/equal.

Julia moves to a vote:
Ayes in the room and online.
Motion Passes.

GOTV

Heidi Burch presents the GOTV team report.

Break for lunch

1:30 PM - Video From Joe Biden

1:35 PM Global Women's Caucus

Ann Hesse presents the Global Women's Caucus Report

1:50 PM-

Julia moves to suspend the rules to speak before the queue for the continuing discussion on resolutions.

Ayes have it in the room and online. Rules suspended.

Julia moves to refer all pending resolutions including Medicare for all, for a vote without meeting within 90 days. Seconded in the room.

Marnelle brings a point of clarification to explain what this motion means.

Susan Vaillant moves to amend the motion: To refer all pending resolutions to Resolutions Committee for a vote within 90 days. No seconds.

David moves to amend the agenda to move from Reports to Resolutions. Parliamentarian determines that this is out of order.

David moves to suspend the rules to bring up a different motion in the middle of this current motion. Seconded in the room.

Calls for ayes and nays, did not meet 2/3rds, motion to suspend rules fails.

Back to original motion: Julia moves to refer all pending resolutions including Medicare for all, to resolutions committee for a vote within 90 days.

Merrill brings up a question about the procedure for discussion if we moved these resolutions to the Resolutions Committee with an online vote.

Kent Getsinger brings up questions to clarify the next steps regarding what meetings will be held, who will be voting.

Amber points out that she would like to see that we complete our debate and make real decisions about the resolutions, especially for the resolution we started about Medicare.

5 minutes from Katie from Global Teams for resolutions.

Will speaks to clarify his role as parliamentarian, and speaks against the motion.

Kendra wants to move for a roll call, but too much time has passed. Kendra instead calls for a vote on the motion:

Back to original motion: Julia clarifies and moves to refer all pending resolutions including Medicare for All, to the resolutions committee for a vote without meeting within 90 days. Seconded in the room, call for votes: **Motion fails. Back to Global Reports**

Comms, Data, Design, Hispanic Caucus, Progressive Caucus give up their time. Reports are posted here:

<https://wiki.democratsabroad.org/display/WashDC2019/2019+Presentations+and+Documents>

IT Team

Shari presents the IT team report

ERA

Shari presents the ERA report

Global Black Caucus

Angela presents the GBC report

William Prescott reminds members to join the Hispanic Caucus.

LGBT Caucus

Martha presents the LGBT caucus report

Travel Fund

Kat presents the travel fund report

2:38 PM Resolutions continued....

Julia resumes the discussion for Resolutions.

Cuthbert Telesford speaks in support of the resolution and talks about his experience and friends experience where doctors do not accept patients.

John Chudy shares a statistic regarding support of medicare for all vs giving up your own insurance. He also follows up with portability and especially portability abroad.

Gordon Gaul reminds us of Orlando's statement from yesterday, and supports the motion in order to make sure that nobody is uninsured, affordable copayments and deductibles, removal of tiered health care.

Katie speaks in support of the resolution, and points out that there are 4 committees in the House with at least 100 sponsors.

Mark Neel in Germany moves to amend the last line:

Whereas medicare for all is (the only) **a proven** universal health care plan that will ensure cost-effective continued coverage and equitable access to health care for all americans, and

medical for all will not be at risk of for-profit interests undermining our medical system as it is doing to the ACA. Objections in the room to Mark's resolution,

Nick moves to amend:

Whereas medicare for all is a universal health care plan that will ensure cost-effective continued coverage and equitable access to health care for all Americans, and medical for all will not be at risk of for-profit interests undermining our medical system as it is doing to the ACA.

No objections to the newly amended amendment. Adopted by the body.

Wen Wen recognizes the writers of the resolution, and mentions that we support universal healthcare access in the DA platform. She remarks she wants to see more democratic leaders opinions, proposes to refer the resolution back to the resolutions committee and asks the international chair to appoint a global task force, followed by a review within 90 days, and develop a second resolution to be voted on.

Seconded by De Kai

Alaina Vaisey speaks in favor of the original resolution.

Will Bakker speaks in favor of the motion to refer.

Eric speaks against moving the vote, does not want to put off the vote on the original resolution.

Gordon calls for a point of information to clarify the current motion and procedure and suggests that we all stop talking so that we can vote on this motion to refer.

MOTION: to refer the resolution back to the resolutions committee and asks the international chair to appoint a global task force, followed by a review within 90 days, and develop a second resolution to be voted on.

Seconded by De Kai

Nays in the room and online have it.

Motion to refer fails.

Quaide calls the question, seconded. No objections. Vote on main motion as amended.

Votes: Ayes have it.

Medicare for all resolution passes

VFA Resolution

Merrill moves to extend 30 minutes to discuss VFA resolution and potentially extend the meeting if needed. Seconded by Marnelle.

Jim would like people to know he did not eat the M&Ms alone.

Votes: 130 to 33. Received 2/3 vote.

Motion to extend time passes.

Merrill introduces the resolution and emphasizes the need for clear effective communication and encourages the support.

Bob Vallier poses a question if this is a way to resolve an issue between the IT team and the ExCom, and whether or not a resolution is the appropriate way to do this.

Linda Adeson speaks on her experience with voter registration and commends Democrats Abroad and the creators of Vote From Abroad.

Heidi Burch questions why this is a resolution and not something discussed by the Executive Committee. Points out that she does not encourage firewalls/additional barriers to the GOTV team/other teams from interacting with the development/support of the VFA site like we had with OVF to update deadlines/changes/mistakes.

Bruce stands to speak against the resolution and would like the excom to decide how to move forward.

Josh asks if he could hear input/opinion from current and previous excoms.

Shari points out that as IT chair she did not sign the email from the IT team. She agrees with the whereases, points out the vulnerabilities and the need to do something different. Shari disagrees with the be it resolved clauses since we have a GOTV team and IT team that can handle the issues. She thinks there need to be some considerations if this is the right way to solve the problem.

Pauline Manos speaks in favor of keeping high quality stewardess of this tool, recommends that people propose amendments, but would be willing to adopt the resolution as it currently stands even if imperfect.

DeKai speaks on his experience in IT and agile development, and proposes a motion to amend this resolution to create a committee to be determined within 30 days by the international chair for appointment.

Seconded in the room.

Katie moves to amend this amendment to include Merrill Oates and Shari Temple to be added to the committee to review. Seconded. Julia asks if there are any objections.

Objections in the room.

Discussion about the addition of the two names:

Alan Chelik speaks about his experience of Shadow IT teams getting in the way and preventing things from getting done and does not support the inclusion of Merrill and Shari in this committee. Alan supports leaving the composition of the committee to the Chair.

Marnelle Dragila speaks in support of our IT team and including these two names and wants to suggest that we include Heidi Burch.

Will speaks out against this amendment to the resolution and ask people to vote no to the amendment since he believes that it is a bad idea to name people who are living in any resolution.

Tasia speaks against adding names to the resolution.

Katie speaks on her experience of being on the ExCom, and wants to clarify that she does not want to support pulling away power away from the ExCom, and points out that she wants to see the IT team more involved in the process.

Merrill speaks in support of transparency and notes that his original resolution included language for the excom to decide the make up of the committee, suggests that we could remove the names and supports the resolution.

Will moves to suspend the rules and extend by another 10 minutes.
Objection in webex, call for votes: passes- 10 minutes.

Madeline Savit speaks in opposition of naming the two people and supports making the amendment to include a generic team.

Vote on the amendment to include Merrill Oates and Shari Temple to the resolution.
Nays have it.

----green text amendment---- agile development and red-teaming.

Vote on the amendment: ayes have it.

Back to queue for general resolution:

Salli speaks on her experience advising software companies, and speaks in favor of the resolution. She states that she is concerned that the source code is not in a proper escrowed arrangement and is concerned about the safety of the website. Agrees with the whereas clauses that she understands.

This is the only DA asset, and if we were a business, we would need to protect it. We must keep this product safe to continue our work and urges people to vote in favor.

Vance White proposes an amendment to replace the be it resolved that section:
BE IT RESOLVED THAT.

In order to maintain a proper segregation of duties and to prevent conflict of interests and to maintain system integrity and independence, any members of the Executive Committee with financial, management or personal interests in any companies working on VFA3, cannot from this date forward be involved in any voting or approval processes for implementing VFA3. This member of the Executive Committee will be replaced in any VFA3 voting or approval processes by 3 members of the Democrats Abroad Global IT Team who will each have an individual

vote equal to any regular voting member of the Executive Committee as related to VFA3 implementation.

In addition, all source code and current programs will be made available to the Democrats Abroad Global IT Team within 30 days of the adoption of this Resolution, for review of compliance with international laws and privacy concerns as well as maintaining the source code in a manner that allows the DPCA to proceed with implementation.

Will Calls the question with unanimous consent.

Votes: Nays have it.

Meagan speaks on her experience working with GDPR and digital tool for NYT, and strongly encourages people to vote on this amendment, and calls the question.

Votes on calling the question to end discussion. Ayes have it.

Back to Amended Resolution displayed on screen- including green text.

118 Ayes, clear majority- Resolution passes.

Planning for 2020

Amanda walks us through the core timeline from today to November 2020.

Julia discusses DA House Parties during the Debates, and ways to incorporate these activities into our platform and plans for the next year and a half.

Presidential Candidates already coordinating some messaging, videos from many candidates

Survey from Affirmative Action Committee, to help determine the landscape in local Country Committees.

Developing Media begins now so that the media in your country can cover our issues in 4 years.

Platform discussion/Development.

Internships/Study Abroad

2020 GPP + State Primaries- details regarding outreach and continued support for our voters. How people can vote in both the GPP and their state primary, if they only vote for president in the GPP, and not on the state ballot.

Presidential Candidate Petitions, verifying, challenges.

About January 6- when we can announce which candidates will be on our ballot.

Communications with the Presidential Candidates, video participation, how the candidates can encourage people to participate in the GPP.

How we can keep our messaging clean when it comes to pre and post GPP.

Global Convention- Delegate election, DNC member election.

Democratic National Convention- week before and after.

Fundraising, other details available on global meeting wiki page.

Day 3- May 19, 2019

9:10 AM DNC members present 2018 work and 2019 plans

9:20 AM Bylaws-

Julia hands the meeting over to Aaron Kruse as Chair of the Bylaws session for this portion of the meeting.

Aaron thanks everyone who participated in the four-five hours of bylaws hearings and pre-bylaws meetings.

He presents the Bylaws Committee Report, the ordering of the bylaws amendments, and proposes a motion to suspend the rules for a rule change on how the committee will run the Charter Amendment section of the meeting: For items 1-6 limit debate to 10 minutes. So that we have maximum amount of time in items 7-8. No objections from the body.

Four Categories:

- Things we think the body should adopt
- Things we think should be referred
- Things we think are important to discuss and vote on this meeting if possible
- Of lower priority/not urgent.

Bylaws Report with Amendments:

https://wiki.democratsabroad.org/download/attachments/38633539/2019%20Bylaws%20Committee%20Final%20Report_07052019.pdf?version=1&modificationDate=1562335581000&api=v2

9:25 AM- Proposition 1: DPCA electronic voting weight allocation and process

No debate from body. Voice vote: calls for ayes, calls for nays, ayes have it

Proposition 1 Passes

9:30 AM- Proposition 20: DPCA Removal of DPCA members; CCs must remove from CC office

Joe Smallhoover speaks on FEC guidelines and reporting requirements that come along with the DPCA being able to remove an officer from a CC from being able to vote at the DPCA, and urges that people support this proposition to fix an error that was caused during the Seoul meeting bylaws amendments.

Julian Becker supports the proposition, and asks to clarify if there is a procedure that a CC could automatically remove a leader who has been removed from DPCA voting rep status/office. If CCs added something to their bylaws without any further action.

The CC would be responsible for any/all actions after being notified of a DPCA member being removed from the DPCA. If that is an addition to bylaws or a vote by the ExCom, it is up to the CC.

Marjorie asks who would be notified in the CC.

RVC/Legal Counsel would notify responsible leaders/members in the CC, depending on the situation and CCs needs.

Debate is now closed, moving to a voice vote

Calls for ayes, calls for nays, ayes have it

Proposition 20 Passes

9:35 AM- Proposition 19: Expressly Allow Alternate Voting Representatives

Ada speaks in support of proposition, and states that this would be a clarification since the charter does not expressly state that alternates can be elected.

Quaide speaks in support of the proposition, was shocked that we accidentally removed non-voting voting reps during the Tokyo Meeting when we passed 1p1v, and encourages people to support this motion.

Merrill speaks in support of this motion, and wants to express his thanks and appreciation to Ada and Tom for recognizing the issue and would like to encourage others to support this motion.

Bob Rooney speaks in support of this motion and brings up that our mission is to enfranchise voters, and we should.

Carmelan Polce poses a question and asks for a clarification regarding how this role is different from a non-voting rep.

Aaron speaks on the two types of roles: CCs with enough votes to have voting reps, CCs without enough votes for voting reps.

Alan Chelik poses a question to clarify if these members are full members of the DPCA.

Jeffrey Cheng poses a question regarding the term “membership” in this amendment and how that affects certain votes as permitted in the charter.

Katie asks for a clarification about membership and quorum.

Will makes a motion to reconsider at 1:30 PM today. Seconded

Ayes have it, 1 nay. Motion will be reconsidered after more consideration by the Bylaws Committee.

9:50 AM- Proposition 15: Charter Amendments Review, Certification, and Distribution.

Merrill speaks in favor of the proposition, speaks on the revision process, and review of minutes from 2011-2018, and encourages your support.

Alan Chelik speaks in favor of the proposition and thanks everyone that was involved, and moves to amend that the 1p1v special purpose committee consider the non CC members who do not have representation, when it comes to voter allocation, and how it affects the body.

Merrill asks for a point of information- if the later proposition that includes what Alan is referring to.

Aaron clarifies that yes, there is a later amendment with this topic.

Alan withdraws his amendment to the proposition.

Call for ayes, call for nays, ayes have it.

Proposition 15 passes.

Proposition 10: Clarifying no term limits for Voting Reps

Quaide speaks in favor of the motion, clarifies that we are not removing term limits, but we are defining these positions not having term limits.

Kendra speaks in favor of the motion.

Adrienne gives her time to Quaide, Quaide clarifies term limits for executive positions and legislative positions, these would only affect voting representatives.

Katie speaks against the proposition, poses the question- if term limits are good for executive committee members, points out that there could be lifetime appointments.

Aaron gives a Point of Information that voting representatives are not appointed, they are elected,

Shari speaks in favor of the proposition and points out that we have a problem of retaining leaders, institutional memory is important, they are elected and can be voted out at any time.

Anna Marie speaks in favor of the proposition, and cedes her time to Quaide so he can answer Katie's Question.

Quaide states that he could use a wig. He points out that these voting representatives are elected, and if they are not fulfilling their duties, the responsibility is for the body to elect someone else.

Jennifer poses a question if CCs are allowed to set term limits separately. Aaron states that the voting reps are recognized by the DPCA and those limits are not set at the CC level, CC bylaws cannot conflict with DPCA charter.

Diego urges people to reconsider their positions if they support the resolution. It creates a larger democratic problem, it creates bylaws/institutions of voting reps that can keep positions that prevent new leaders from joining the organization.

Motion to extend debate by 5 minutes. 2/3 Ayes have it.

Sue Alksnis supports this proposition, she points back to Jason Rae's experience in running for positions against well established candidates, suggests that if people want to have term limits on voting reps, they should propose a bylaws amendment.

Bob speaks in support of the proposition because most of the people in the room have similar stories as Jason's. Also points out that we have added non-voting reps/alternatives as an option for people too. He strongly encourages that people support this resolution.

Merrill speaks in support, and re-emphasizes that we need to be able to keep

Ada speaks in favor of the resolution, and states that this amendment is needed to fully implement 1p1v. She asks that we please let elections work, and that if this becomes an issue, that we can re-amend the charter.

Kiyoko agrees that the rotation of people in country committees can solve

Motion to extend another 5 minutes, nays have it.

Moving to a voice vote.

Calls for ayes, calls for nays.

Ayes have it, Proposition 10 passes.

Proposition 2: Amend Charter to ensure representation for DA members living outside of Country Committees.

The Bylaws Committee recommended a motion to refer this to the special purposes committee.

Merrill clarifies that this amendment is an idea and is experimental way to enable more representation. Suggests this as an experimental way to increase participation, but we cannot do this before it is allowed in the Charter. Defers to the Bylaws Committee and RVCs to determine a way to increase representation.

Eric Jackson: speaks in support for passing this now and not referring to 1p1v committee.

Katie speaks against the proposition, we know we do better where we have country committees, she states that it's not that hard to create a country committee, and work into representation that way.

Julian Becker is supportive of creating more country committees, and supports the principal of this proposition, and states that this requires further work in the allocation formula and does not believe this is in a workable format at this point.

Will Bakker raises a point of order. Aaron clarifies that the motion to refer to the special committee created yesterday for 1p1v. Will is in favor of that, and speaks on his experience as a RVC and points out that future RVCs might have sustainability as a goal when deciding which in-formation CCs are admitted.

Bob states he thinks it would encourage new CCs to form, and asks if there is a way to call the question to refer, since there are too many questions about allocation/representation. (Katie asks for Chair to tell WebEx how many people are in line: 3 currently). The call has not been seconded. Bob then withdraws his motion to call the question.

Anna Marie asks how to refer this. Aaron clarifies that it will be voted in one minute.

Quaide motions to extend debate for 5 minutes. Seconded. Call for votes- ayes have it.

Kat supports inclusivity and speaks on her role as RVC, states her concerns for a region wide election for non cc-dpca voting members, points out the logistical hurdles, supports the resolution to refer this to the special committee.

Amber Walsh, speaks as a new country committee leader, and states that this should be a country by country decision for the RVC and ExCom that the resolution could lead to less country committee formation. Voting for this resolution would be creating a dis-incentive for new CC creation.

Ada Shen speaks on her experience starting the China CC and the process for 10 years, states that she could have been organizing beyond China had something like this been in place.

Jennifer supports referring this to committee, would these voting reps also have no term limits, asks for clarification on how this could discourage CC building due to the previous amendments that create voting reps without term limits.

Break for Guest Speaker- Marianne Williamson

11:45 AM - Steve Nardi presents the 2020 Global convention bid from Canada to host the 2020 Global Meeting and Convention in Toronto in May 2020.

Julia asks the body if there are any other bids.

Calls for a voice vote. Ayes and ehs have it.

12:30 PM - Ken Martin joins us for Lunch and shares his experience at the state party level and as ASDC chair and remarks on the upcoming elections and work.

1:30 PM – Proposition 19: Expressly Allow Alternate Voting Representatives - resuming from earlier

Aaron describes the Bakker-Cheng floor amendment to Proposition 19 and proposes that we accept this resolution and move to a vote on the proposition.

Alan points out a scrivener's error and it is corrected from 'if' to 'of' in 3.9.

Amendment passes with unanimous consent.

Discussion on Proposition 19 with Bakker-Cheng amendment.

Katie rises to speak against giving non voting members the ability to speak. She comments regarding the number of voting members and how a large number of non-voting reps may abuse the right to speak and propose resolutions. Warns that we must hope for the best, but prepare for the worst.

Aaron clarifies that the body can adopt special rules at any time, by voting in a 2/3 majority to give priority to voting members at meetings of the DPCA.

Josh van der Ploeg rises to support the motion and encourages maximizing participation at all levels of the organization. He also recommends that the travel fund should be increased as well.

Joe Smallhoover moves to amend section 3.4B to (ie excluding dpca non-voting members and **alternate members**). Amendment passes without objections.

Aaron moves to a vote, calls a voice vote. Ayes have it.

Proposition 19 passes.

Proposition 2- continued. Proposition 2: Amend Charter to ensure representation for DA members living outside of Country Committees.

Motion for consideration- refer this proposition to committee.

Dana speaks in favor of referring this proposition, and speaks on her experience as a new Country Committee and the process that is involved, and encourages that inclusion is considered.

Motion to close debate- calls for votes: ayes have it.

Vote on main motion to refer amendment to committee:

Proposition 2 is referred to committee.

Aaron moves that we spend 15 minutes on Proposition 16, and 15 minutes on Proposition 6C. seconded by Carmelan.

Call for ayes and nays, ayes have it.

Proposition 16- Full and Fair Implementation of 1P1V

Merrill speaks in favor of this proposition.

Inge Chair of UK, speaks in opposition of this proposition and states that she has concerns regarding the same issues in our representation in the US, where bigger populations are not represented equally. Similarly with how in in the US senate: by 2040, 8 states with a population of 50% of the country will have only 16 votes in the Senate. This concerns Inge, as we have a few large country committees that should have equal representation when it comes to the number of voters to members.

Kiyoko speaks in favor of this proposition, refers back to how the vote in Tokyo with regards to 1p1v was to make sure that we had 1 vote per 1 physical person. It was never her intention to take away a part of a vote of any one person.

Quaide speaks in favor of this proposition, refers back to how the correction to allocation in Seoul where each country committee each received 2 votes as a base vote and then took it away in a later bylaws change.

Pauline Manos, speaks as a small country leader, in opposition of this proposition, and believes that it should be fair and representative based on the population. We are going as an extreme in the wrong direction, we should be voting in relation to the population of the members we represent, this is the most fair and representative.

Amber speaks in favor of the proposition and supports moving to a minimum of 2 votes for each country committee.

Alan Chelik speaks in opposition of the proposition, and remarks on how this would skew the population to vote percentage of representation. In the place that we

represent, each person should have one vote. The DPCA body should be representative of the population that it represents. 85 members in the UK to have one person representative in the room, and some other countries will have fewer than 50, which is not equal representation.

Katie speaks in favor of the proposition and speaks on how the proportionality is out of whack. We are currently 1-24, an example of how the DNC works, 4-22. We have a problem of proportionality, and we should be working towards fixing that.

Powen Shah speaks in favor of the proposition and suggests that the proportionality issue could be solved with increasing the voting delegation for larger countries to make things more equitable with regards to membership representation.

Bill Borden raises to clarify how we cannot compare to the DNC, we should compare to how the state parties do allocation/proportionality. Bill also states that the Bylaws committee did not want to oppose this resolution, but there was also sentiment on the Bylaws Committee to refer this proposition to the 1p1v special purpose committee so that it could get the consideration under larger context.

Dana from Finland raises to state that this does not seem like a very democratic process to have DPCA voters with fewer votes than one other.

Patrick moves to extend debate by 5 minutes. Ayes have it.

Marnelle does agree that this would diminish Canada's voting representation, and is not prepared to vote on this today. She moves to refer this proposition to the 1p1v special purpose committee. Seconded. Before a vote could be held, Marnelle withdrew the motion.

Patrick Oderlander speaks in favor of this proposition and states that we should pass this proposition to fix the half votes, and then proportionality should be fixed with another bylaws amendment later on.

Shari Temple raises to state that there is no definition of fair. Which is more fair, half votes, or proportionality? Is it worse to have people as half votes, or is it worse to have representatives representing fewer people.

Candace raises to bring up a question regarding voice votes with partial votes, proxy votes.

Aaron asks if we can end debate and move to a vote. Ayes have it.

Motion to adopt proposition 16- call for ayes and nays.

Hand vote: Proposition 16- passes 113 aye, 47 nays, 4 abstentions

John White of the UK called for a roll call vote.

Guest Speaker- Liz Jaff

Results of Roll Call vote: 186 total votes cast / 133.5 aye, 41.5 nay, 10 abstain.

Proposition 16 passes.

Aaron refers the remaining propositions back to the bylaws committee.

Call for votes - ayes have it.

Julia moves to refer the remaining resolutions to the resolutions committee with a vote within 90 days.

Call for votes – ayes have it.

Door Knock Preparations

5:20 PM Julia moves to adjourn the Global Meeting. Meeting adjourned.