

East Penn Democratic Club  
July 20, 2025

General Meeting Minutes

LCDC Office, 5920 Hamilton Blvd., Allentown, PA

1. Called to Order at 1:30pm and presided by President Gab Klotz.
2. Due to time restraints, meeting began with guest speaker Dawn Godshall, Executive Director, Community Action Lehigh Valley. She gave an overview of the organization, mission and variety of services offered.
3. Welcome to all new attendees and members. Encouraged membership, update the same and requested all attendees to sign in.
4. Approval of Agenda with flexibility and June 22, 2025 General meeting minutes. 1st James Shackelford, 2nd Cathleen O'Connor. All yay. Approved.
5. Treasurer's Report by Gab Klotz. Current balance \$3462.00. 1st Louise Dillensnyder, 2nd Nancy Herne. All yay. Approved.
6. EPDC signs available Cost \$20.00. Available after meeting and on website.
7. EPDC business cards available to all members.
8. EPDC Candidate Driveway Meet and Greet. Weekends until election. Encouraged members to sign up to host. Sign up sheet distributed.
9. Save the dates. Puerto Rican Parade and Festival, August 3. Allentown Fair, August 27-Sept 1. LCDC Picnic, Sept 13. Sign up LCDC website. EPDC picnic, Oct. 5. Food, basket raffle, band and meet the Candidates.
10. LCDC tee shirts \$25.00. Available after meeting.
11. PA Legislation Report by Nancy Herne. House: HB17, support cursive writing in schools. HB538, Sex trafficking in Higher Education. Senate: SB922 Private School Licensing Modernization, SB 927, Cyber School wellness checks. SB934, Cyber School Residency Verification. HB1505, Protecting access to Pre-K Counts. Spotlight: funding for Solar for Schools may lose access to key funding.

12. Vote By Mail (VBM). Stef Rafes encouraged all to participate in canvassing for VBM. See her after meeting.
13. Candidate Platform presentations.
  - Lower Macungie Commissioner Candidates: Melissa Bozak, Stefanie Rafes.
  - EPSD: Christine Price, Rita Perez.
14. Survey will be sent via email regarding what political issues are important to individuals.
15. Next General meeting, August 17. Mark Pinsley will be speaker.
16. Motion to adjourn at 3:20. 1st Jen Allen, 2nd Stef Rafes. All yay. Meeting adjourned.