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DACN AGM

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DEMOCRATS ABROAD CHINA

Welcoming Our New Members

ENGAGE!



ROARING INTO MIDTERMS

TODAY'S TOPICS

Welcome
Attendance
Meeting Minutes
Leadership Reports
Caucus Information
Regional and Global Updates
Vote From Abroad Leader Heidi Burch
State Teams Leader Jennifer von Estorff
Events
GOTV
Motions and New Business



COMPLIANCE

2022

Membership Certification
Bylaws Submission
Host an AGM

DACN MEETINGS

May 23 AGM

June 28 Mission & Goals

July 25 Second Meeting

August 16 Home Run Derby

August 19 Special Meeting

September 11 Special Meeting

September 19 Hitting the Books

September 27 September Meeting 2

October 27 Amber Waves of Grain

November 30 Building Back Board

December 29 Defenders of Democracy

January 14 Special Meeting

January 31 January Meeting

February 2 Year of the Tiger

February 21 Special Meeting

March 30 March Meeting

April 18 Welcome to the Jungle

April 29 Special Meeting

May 8 Special Meeting

May 16 Special Meeting

May 26 AGM





DACN TRAININGS

CHAIR & VICE CHAIR TRAINING

GDPR

MEMBERSHIP DATABASE

EMAIL

WEBSITE CONTENT

COMMUNICATIONS

WIKI

GOTV

IT

PHONE BANK

TRAINED TO TRAIN PHONE BANKERS

WEBEX

FUNDRAISING

INTERCOM

VOTER ASSISTANCE

> More on the Wiki and coming soon!

COMPLIANCE MEETINGS

DPCA Info Sessions

DPCA Excom Compliance Trainings

DPCA Town Hall

DPCA Hearings on Compliance

DPCA Excom, April 30

DPCA Excom, May 14

AP Town Hall, May 15

DACN Meeting for DPCA Compliance, May 16

AP Regional DNC Vote, May 21

DPCA AGM, May 21-22





DACN EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

JUNETEETH
FOURTH OF JULY
TACOBOUT IT TUESDAYS
SEPTEMBER 11TH MEMORIAL
BOOK CLUB
DIAL-A-DEM
VIRTUAL TAILGATE
ELECTIONS '21 WATCH PARTY
KILLER COMMS
OFFICE HOURS
VOTER 4-1-1
OLYMPIC CEREMONY REGISTRATION
SUPER BOWL REGISTRATION
PAWLENTINES DAY
POLITICAL POWER HOURS
CROUCHING TIGER, HIDDEN CALLER
> & more!

Upcoming Activities

DON'T MISS OUT!

MAY

GOTV Events
Voter 4-1-1
Tacobout it Tuesday
Vota Martes!
Monthly Motivation
Crouching Tiger,
Trained Caller
AGM
Book Club

JUNE

GOTV Events
Juneteenth
Voter 4-1-1
Crouching Tiger,
Trained Caller
Tacobout it Tuesday
PRIDE
Monthly Motivation

JULY

Fourth of July
GOTV Events
Voter 4-1-1
Dial-a-Dem
Tacobout it Tuesday
Monthly Motivation

AUGUST

GOTV Events
Voter 4-1-1
Dial-a-Dem
Tacobout it Tuesday
Monthly Motivation



LAW OF THE JUNGLE

RULES & COMPLIANCE

DACN formed a Bylaws & Rules Committee. A collection period occurred in 2021.

Bylaws votes occurred August 16, September 16, September 27, and October 27 of 2021.

A new period of collection was announced in March. No new submissions were made between March 15 to April 15.

A discussion of Caucus rules and potential Bylaws can be held at or after the AGM, after meetings with Global Counsel members and Global Caucus leaders take place.

Visit the [Legal & Parliamentary Library](#) to view current Bylaws and the DPCA Charter. E-mail questions to: info-china@democratsabroad.org

Minutes

Visit DACN's [Wiki](#) page to review minutes

POSTED

Meeting minutes are taken by the DACN Secretary. All minutes, recordings, and chat box text are recorded and posted onto the Wiki page within days of a meeting.

REVIEW

Minutes are meant to be reviewed! All DA China meeting attendees are encouraged to ensure the accuracy of minutes, then contact the Secretary with changes.

ADOPT

Minutes from one meeting are voted on as accurate and adopted at a subsequent meeting





These meeting minutes were drafted by the outgoing DACN Secretary, Elizabeth Jenkins, and finalized by the newly elected DACN Secretary, Cory Stroik. Additional reports and documents posted as well.

These meeting minutes were approved at the meeting on June 28th, 2021 at 8:00pm (CST).

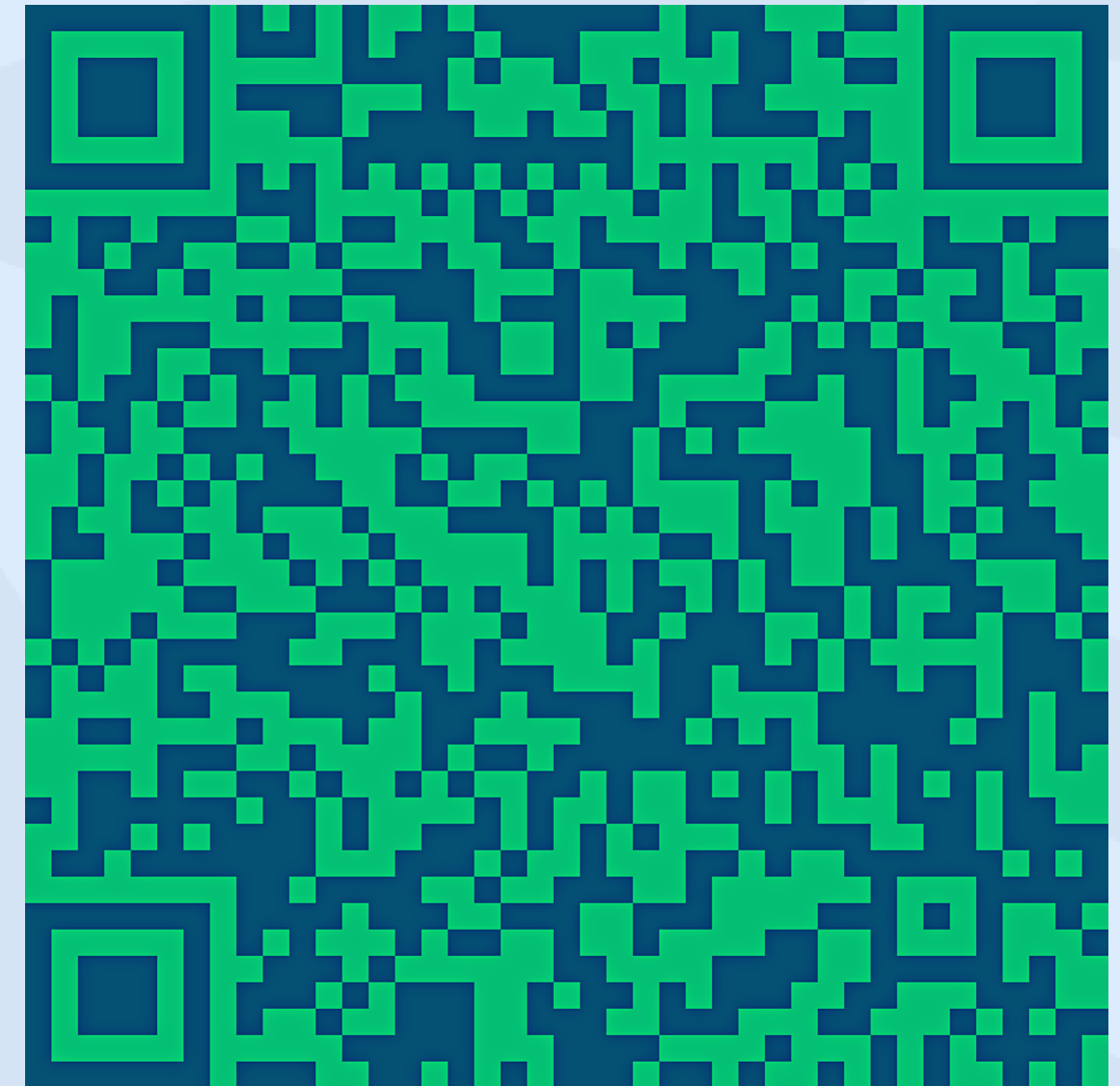
Meeting called to order at 1:03 pm.

This was the Annual General Meeting for members of the China country committee, held on Sunday, the 23rd of May 2021, at 1:00 pm (CST), via Zoom video conference. The chair presided and the reading of the minutes by the secretary was dispensed with (historically notes have been reviewed outside the meeting and approved at the start of each meeting). The online meeting was recorded.

Attendance

The Wiki

DPCA & DACN Depository



The Calendar

DACN on TeamUp



The Website

DPCA & DACN News & Events



GREAT MEMBER UPDATE 2022

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REVENUE



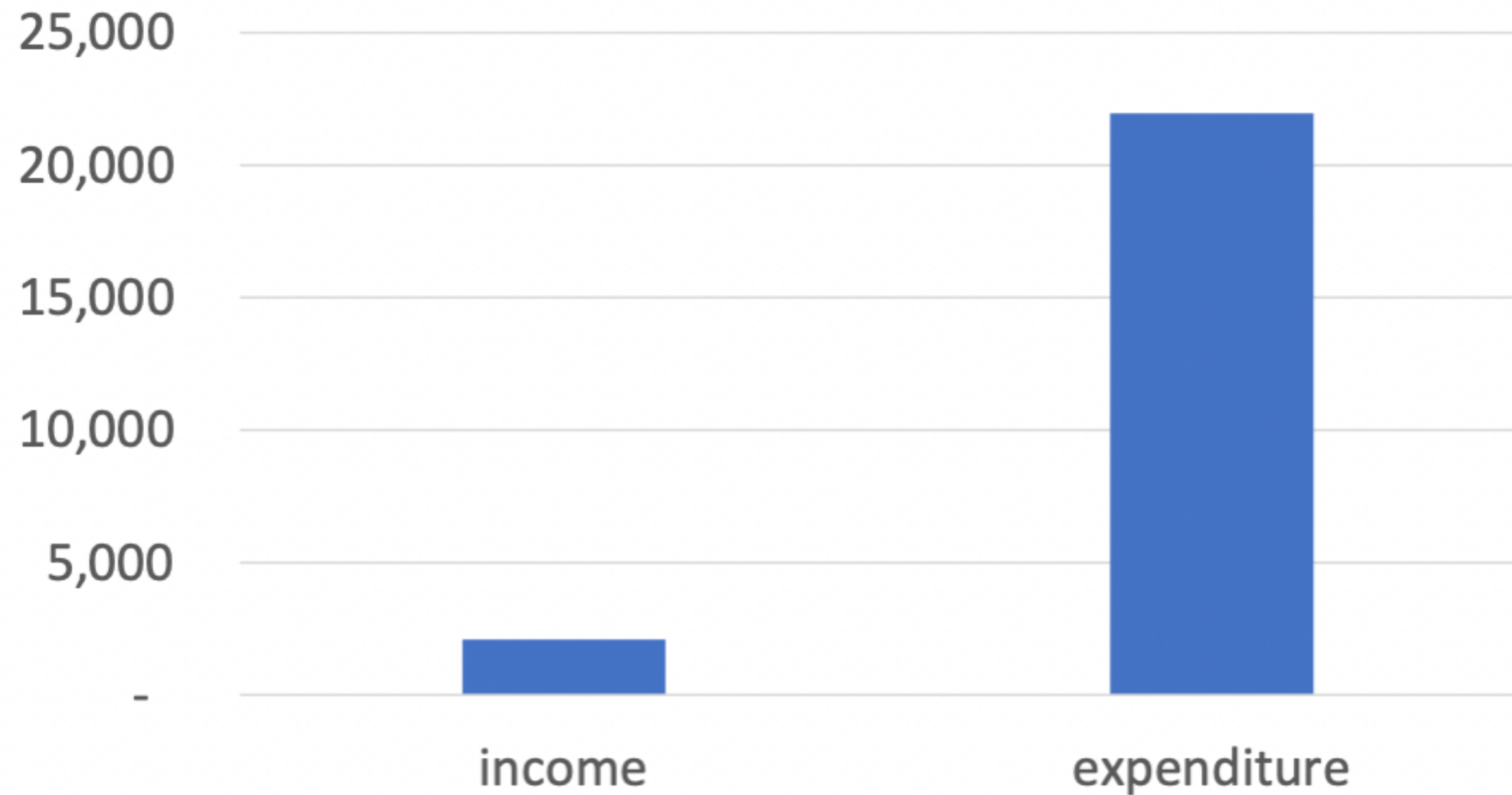
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EXPENDITURES

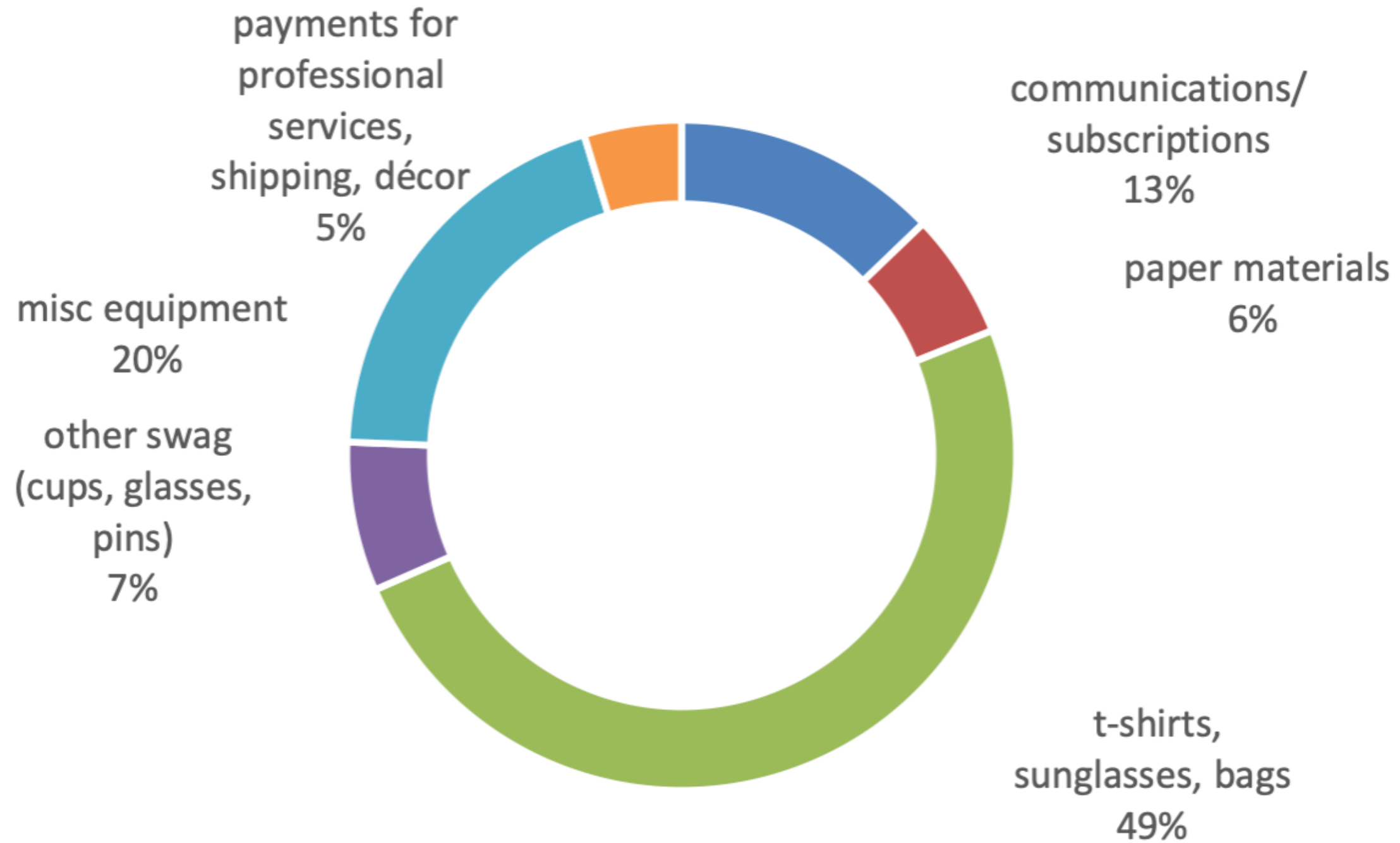


DACN Income and Expenditure (Jul 2021-Jun 2022)





DACN Spending 2021-2022



Communications Updates, term to date:

September 27, 2021

- o Passed a Bylaw that created two roles: Director of Communications and IT Director
- o Passed a Bylaw that enables up to 3 members to be appointed and serve as Deputy Communications Officers

Experimented with various means of outreach and actions:

- o Twitter account created July 2021
- o Monthly Newsletters ran in 2021, in addition to news and member verification emails
- o News and Events posted on Website
- o Wiki updates and new Wiki pages were made
- o Continued use of Facebook, Instagram, and WeChat accounts. The latter being our main source of member communication
- o ResistBot, Hot Call Summer Hotline, 5calls, and other platforms were used to take actions
- o Use of graphics for targeted marketing
- o Free ads for events posted on local online publications

February 2, 2022

- o Filled Comms Director seat in a special election (February 2, 2022)

Present Issues:

- o Many members are in lockdown, almost all activities on hold
- o Issues to be worked out with global DA mean future resources uncertain

Future Plans and Challenges:

- o Restart a regular newsletter, access permitting and scheduling coordination with global to reduce volume of emails
- o Cooperation with planned events, especially once in-person events can be held again
- o Cooperation with IT will be essential, once the IT Director position is filled

When Great Trees Fall

Maya Angelou

“ WHEN GREAT TREES FALL,
ROCKS ON DISTANT HILLS SHUDDER,
LIONS HUNKER DOWN
IN TALL GRASSES,
AND EVEN ELEPHANTS
LUMBER AFTER SAFETY.

WHEN GREAT TREES FALL
IN FORESTS,
SMALL THINGS RECOIL INTO SILENCE,
THEIR SENSES
ERODED BEYOND FEAR.

WHEN GREAT SOULS DIE,
THE AIR AROUND US BECOMES
LIGHT, RARE, STERILE.
WE BREATHE, BRIEFLY.
OUR EYES, BRIEFLY,
SEE WITH
A HURTFUL CLARITY.
OUR MEMORY, SUDDENLY SHARPENED,
EXAMINES,
GNAWS ON KIND WORDS
UNSAID,
PROMISED WALKS
NEVER TAKEN.

GREAT SOULS DIE AND
OUR REALITY, BOUND TO
THEM, TAKES LEAVE OF US.
OUR SOULS,
DEPENDENT UPON THEIR
NURTURE,
NOW SHRINK, WIZENED.
OUR MINDS, FORMED
AND INFORMED BY THEIR
RADIANCE, FALL AWAY.
WE ARE NOT SO MUCH MADDENED
AS REDUCED TO THE UNUTTERABLE
IGNORANCE OF
DARK, COLD
CAVES.

AND WHEN GREAT SOULS DIE,
AFTER A PERIOD PEACE BLOOMS,
SLOWLY AND ALWAYS
IRREGULARLY, SPACES FILL
WITH A KIND OF
SOOTHING ELECTRIC VIBRATION.
OUR SENSES, RESTORED, NEVER
TO BE THE SAME, WHISPER TO US.
THEY EXISTED. THEY EXISTED.
WE CAN BE, BE AND BE
BETTER. FOR THEY EXISTED.”



Nina's Blues

CORNELIUS EADY

Your body, hard vowels
In a soft dress, is still.

What you can't know
is that after you died
All the black poets
In New York City
Took a deep breath,
And breathed you out;
Dark corners of small clubs,
The silence you left twitching

On the floors of the gigs
You turned your back on,
The balled-up fists of notes
Flung, angry from a
keyboard.

You won't be able to hear us
Try to etch what rose
Off your eyes, from your
throat.

Out you bleed, not as sweet, or sweaty,
Through our dark fingertips.
We drum rest
We drum thank you
We drum stay.



Black Is Beautiful

Sharon D. Brown-Rogers

Black is
Black is as beautiful as a bed of milky white clouds.
Black is as beautiful as soft as a newborn baby hair.
Black is as beautiful as standing up for what is right.
Black is as beautiful as trying on grandmother's classy hats.
Black is as beautiful as you and I saying Hi!
Black is as beautiful as two sisters walking hand in hand.
Black is as beautiful as wading in a pond on a hot summer day.
Black is as beautiful as you holding your baby for the very first time.
Black is as beautiful as saying I miss you.
Black is as beautiful as going fishing with your dad.
Black is as beautiful as calling your mother on her birthday.
Black is as beautiful as two brothers playing basketball.
Black is as beautiful braiding your sister's hair.
Black is as beautiful as grandpa taking you to the park.
Black is as beautiful as the sweet sound of a saxophone playing.
Black is as beautiful as eating mom's never fail caramel cake.
Black is as beautiful as the bright rising sun.
Black is as beautiful as a simple kiss placed on the forehead.
Black is as beautiful as lilies on Easter morning.
Black is as beautiful as saying I love you.
Black is me and I AM BEAUTIFUL.



Sorrow Home

MARGARET WALKER

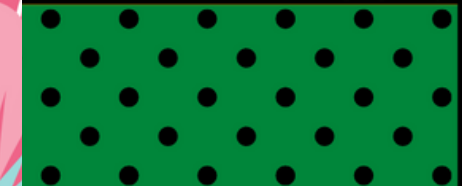
My roots are deep in southern life; deeper than John Brown or Nat Turner or Robert Lee. I was sired and weaned in a tropic world. The palm tree and banana leaf, mango and coconut breadfruit and rubber trees know me.

Warm skies and gulf blue streams are in my blood. I belong with the smell of fresh pine, with the trail of coon, and the spring growth of wild onion.

I am no hothouse bulb to be reared in steam-heated flats with the music of El and subway in my ears, walled in by steel and wood and brick far from the sky.

I want the cotton fields, tobacco and the cane. I want to walk along with sacks of seed to drop in fallow ground. Restless music is in my heart and I am eager to be gone.

O Southland, sorrow home, melody beating in my bone and blood! How long will the Klan of hate, the hounds and the chain gangs keep me from my own?



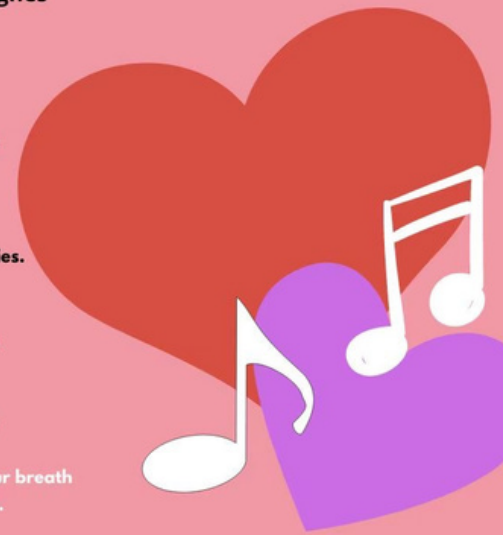
Love Song for Lucinda

Langston Hughes

Love
Is a ripe plum
Growing on a purple tree.
Taste it once
And the spell of its enchantment
Will never let you be.

Love
Is a bright star
Glowing in far Southern skies.
Look too hard
And its burning flame
Will always hurt your eyes.

Love
Is a high mountain
Stark in a windy sky.
If you
Would never lose your breath
Do not climb too high.



Theme For English B

Langston Hughes

The instructor said,

Go home and write
a page tonight.
And let that page come out of you—
Then, it will be true.

I wonder if it's that simple?

I am twenty-two, colored, born in Winston-Salem. I went to school there, then Durham, then here to this college on the hill above Harlem. I am the only colored student in my class. The steps from the hill lead down into Harlem, through a park, then I cross St. Nicholas, Eighth Avenue, Seventh, and I come to the Y, the Harlem Branch Y, where I take the elevator up to my room, sit down, and write this page:

It's not easy to know what is true for you or me at twenty-two, my age. But I guess I'm what I feel and see and hear, Harlem, I hear you. hear you, hear me—we two—you, me, talk on this page. (I hear New York, too.) Me—who?

Well, I like to eat, sleep, drink, and be in love. I like to work, read, learn, and understand life. I like a pipe for a Christmas present, or records—Bessie, bop, or Bach. I guess being colored doesn't make me not like the same things other folks like who are other races.

So will my page be colored that I write? Being me, it will not be white. But it will be a part of you, instructor. You are white—yet a part of me, as I am a part of you. That's American. Sometimes perhaps you don't want to be a part of me. Nor do I often want to be a part of you. But we are, that's true! As I learn from you, I guess you learn from me—although you're older—and white—and somewhat more free.

This is my page for English B.



Still I Rise

Maya Angelou

You may write me down in history
With your bitter, twisted lies,
You may tread me in the very dirt
But still, like dust, I'll rise.

Does my sassiness upset you?
Why are you beset with gloom?
'Cause I walk like I've got oil wells
Pumping in my living room.

Just like moons and like suns,
With the certainty of tides,
Just like hopes springing high,
Still I'll rise.

Did you want to see me broken?
Bowed head and lowered eyes?
Shoulders falling down like
teardrops,
Weakened by my soulful cries?

Does my haughtiness offend you?
Don't you take it awful hard
'Cause I laugh like I've got gold mines
Diggin' in my own backyard.

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I, TOO LANGSTON HUGHES

The instructor said, I, too, sing America.

I am the darker brother.
They send me to eat in the kitchen
When company comes,
But I laugh,
And eat well,
And grow strong.

Tomorrow,
I'll be at the table
When company comes.
Nobody'll dare
Say to me,
"Eat in the kitchen,"
Then.

Besides,
They'll see how beautiful I am
And be ashamed—



Alone

Maya Angelou

Lying, thinking
Last night
How to find my soul a home
Where water is not thirsty
And bread loaf is not stone
I came up with one thing
And I don't believe I'm wrong
That nobody,
But nobody
Can make it out here alone.

Alone, all alone
Nobody, but nobody
Can make it out here alone.

There are some millionaires
With money they can't use
Their wives run round like
banshees
Their children sing the blues
They've got expensive doctors
To cure their hearts of stone.
But nobody
No, nobody
Can make it out here alone.

Alone, all alone
Nobody, but nobody
Can make it out here alone.

Now if you listen closely
I'll tell you what I know
Storm clouds are gathering
The wind is gonna blow
The race of man is suffering
And I can hear the moan,
'Cause nobody,
But nobody
Can make it out here alone.

Alone, all alone
Nobody, but nobody
Can make it out here alone.



We Real Cool

Gwendolyn Brooks

The Pool Players.
Seven at the Golden Shovel.

We real cool. We
Left school. We

Lurk late. We
Strike straight. We

Sing sin. We
Thin gin. We

Jazz June. We
Die soon.



Caged Bird

Maya Angelou

The free bird leaps
on the back of the wind
and floats downstream
till the current ends
and dips his wings
in the orange sun rays
and dares to claim the sky.

But a bird that stalks
down his narrow cage
can seldom see through
his bars of rage
his wings are clipped and
his feet are tied
so he opens his throat to sing.

The caged bird sings
with fearful trill
of the things unknown
but longed for still
and his tune is heard
on the distant hill
for the caged bird
sings of freedom

The free bird thinks of another
breeze
and the trade winds soft through the
singing trees
and the fat worms waiting on a
dawn-bright lawn
and he names the sky his own.

But a caged bird stands on the grave
of dreams
his shadow shouts on a nightmare
scream
his wings are clipped and his feet
are tied
so he opens his throat to sing

The caged bird sings
with a fearful trill
of things unknown
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Songs for the People

FRANCES ELLEN WATKINS HARPER

Let me make the songs for the people,
Songs for the old and young;
Songs to stir like a battle-cry
Wherever they are sung.

Not for the clashing of sabres,
For carnage nor for strife;
But songs to thrill the hearts of men
With more abundant life.

Let me make the songs for the weary,
Amid life's fever and fret,
Till hearts shall relax their tension,
And careworn brows forget.

Let me sing for little children,
Before their footsteps stray,
Sweet anthems of love and duty,
To float o'er life's highway.

I would sing for the poor and aged,
When shadows dim their sight;
Of the bright and restful mansions,
Where there shall be no night.

Our world, so worn and weary,
Needs music, pure and strong,
To hush the jangle and discords
Of sorrow, pain, and wrong.

Music to soothe all its sorrow,
Till war and crime shall cease;
And the hearts of men grown tender
Girdle the world with peace.





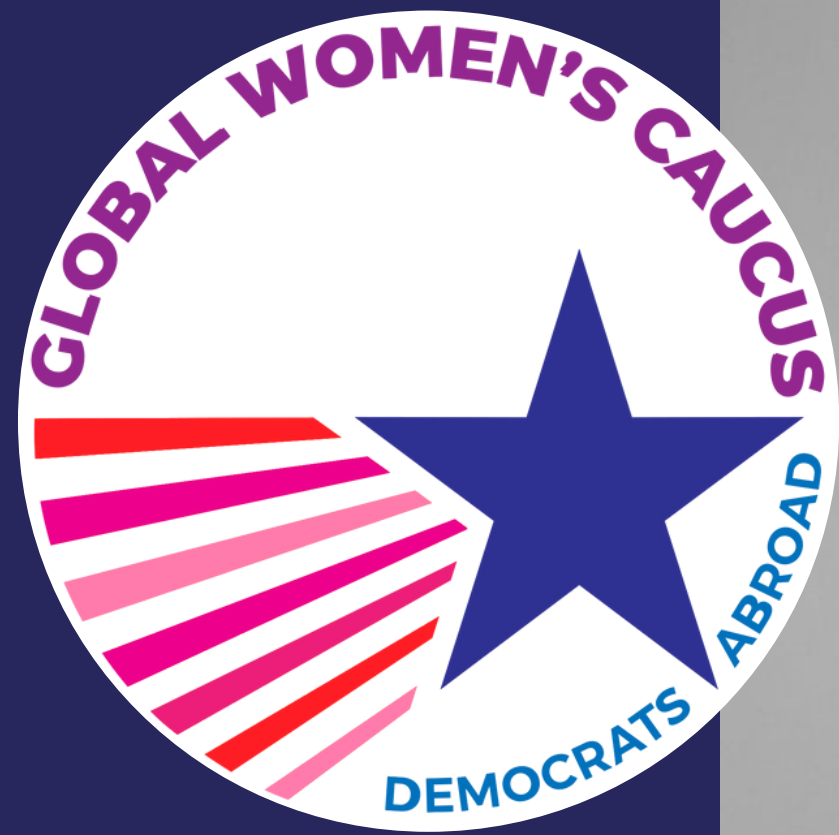
TACOS | DISCOURSE | ACTION

TACOBOUT IT TUESDAY

JOIN US FOR FOOD AND FUN!

*#Summer
of Action*





On May 21, 2022, a special election was held during a meeting of the Asia Pacific Region. A new DNC representative was elected. DA China would like to thank it's own Aaron Kruse for his service as DNC Representative, and is excited to announce **John Baumlin** will serve out the remainder of the term ending in 2024. John is a member of DA Japan, and a co-chair of the New Jersey state team. He's been a leader rallying for action on an overseas voting rights bill, A3929.

"...I would say to everyone here the goal is that, regardless of where our volunteers reside or vote, at the end of this process any and every DA member can say 'Democrats Abroad passes voting rights law and expands voting rights.' - and I have been very happy to have had the full support of the current ExCom and DA members throughout this process so we can build and scaffold a model for everyone to use, and I am committed to building it along side everyone else here."

John Baumlin

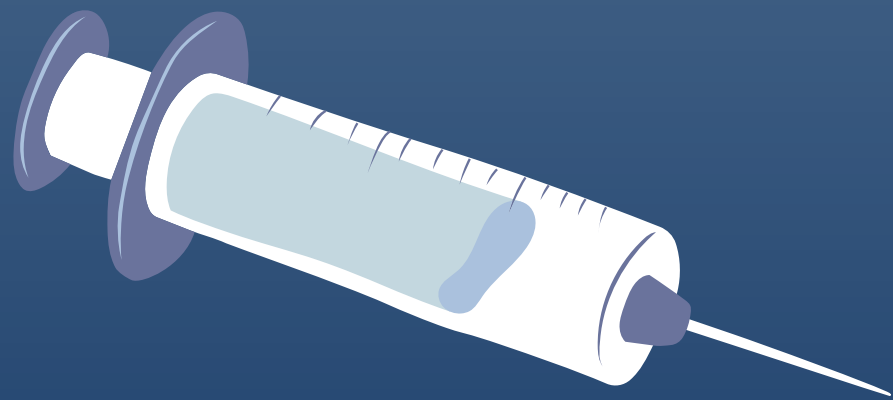
DPCA Representative

DA Japan

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Dear Congress



https://www.democratsabroad.org/covid_19

VACCINATE AMERICANS ABROAD

Fulfill the promise made and
vaccinate ***all*** Americans

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J9lakugrkQc>



YOUTUBE

Vaccination Video

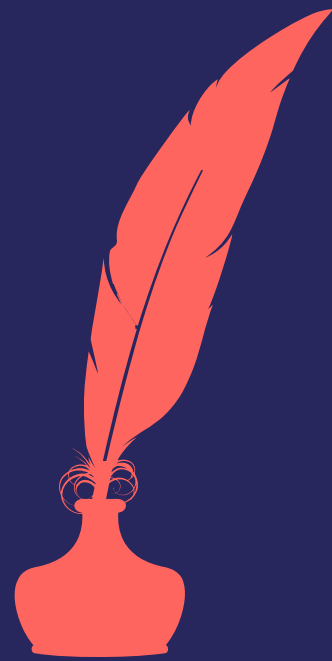


YELLEN ABOUT TAXES



Democrats Abroad has a task force dedicated to tax law and how it impacts Americans living abroad. An excerpt from a recent letter to Janet Yellen, the new Secretary of the Treasury:

"As Democrats, we strongly believe in the importance of preventing tax evasion and financial crime. However, the policies put in place to achieve these laudable goals have often been designed in a way that causes serious harm to ordinary U.S. citizens living abroad. As a direct result of policies like the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA), we are often denied ordinary banking services in the places we live. We are frequently removed from joint accounts we share, putting our financial security in serious jeopardy, and denied employment, promotions, and business partnerships when roles involve signature authority over business accounts in foreign financial institutions."



DPCA AGM

DACN

May 2022

GOTV

New VFA website Interface introduced

CallHub sessions have begun!

Wiki GOTV page is active and new pages on the main site are online.



CHANGE UP

A new logo was voted on by the Global ExCom and will be distributed by the Global Comms Team.

Switching to WebEx: all CCs must train.



CARIBBEAN

Congratulations to Democrats in the Caribbean banding together to become the newest DA Country Committee!



PROPOSALS

6 Resolutions were voted on and adopted.



SPEAKERS

Cory Booker
Tony Coelho
Jaime Harrison
John Lau
Kerri Harris



LEADERS

Cory Lemke was elected to be the International Treasurer.

John Baumlin was elected to serve as DNC Rep for AP



On May 21, during the DCPA AGM, there was a special election for International Treasurer. Thank you **Cory Lemke** for serving as acting DPCA Treasurer since January 22, 2022, and congratulations on being elected to serve the term ending in 2023!

Cory is the Chair of DA South Korea, and serves on the Steering Committee of the AAPI Caucus.

Cory Lemke
DPCA Representative
DA South Korea
AAPI Caucus

treasurer@democratsabroad.com



DPCA AGM

May 2022

PROPOSALS

The following proposed Resolutions were voted on and adopted by DPCA representatives:

Memorial Resolution Honoring Jim Christiansen of DA France

Resolution to Catalogue Our “Standing Resolutions”

Resolution on the Climate Emergency

Resolution to Establish a Standing Voter Protection Committee

Resolution in Support of Statehood for Washington, D.C.

Resolution to Establish a Special Committee on Legal Compliance and Implementation Issues



Our Roadmap

Where we see DACN growth aiding voting efforts

2021

PREP FOR SPECIAL
ELECTIONS
& MIDTERMS



2022

MIDTERMS



2023

PREP FOR
GUBERNATORIAL &
CONGRESSIONAL
ELECTIONS

GET OUT THE VOTE

30 60 90 DAY PLAN

STATES & MIDTERMS 2022

30

30 DAYS

Preparations

- Updated [Wiki](#), [Website](#)
- State Team Planning Meetings
- Produce written and visual content
- Connect and coordinate with GOTV Team

60

AT 60 DAYS

Finalization

- Update 2022 voting information by state on Wiki, Website - (interactive map?)
- Actively Recruit State Speakers
- Attend State Meetings
- Plan outreach strategies

90

AT 90 DAYS

Launch

- DA Official Site Launch
- Send Postcards/Mailers
- Send targeted E-mails
- Promote on social media
- Outreach Team Launch
- Fundraise!!!

HOW U.S. CITIZENS CAN VOTE FROM CHINA IN 2020

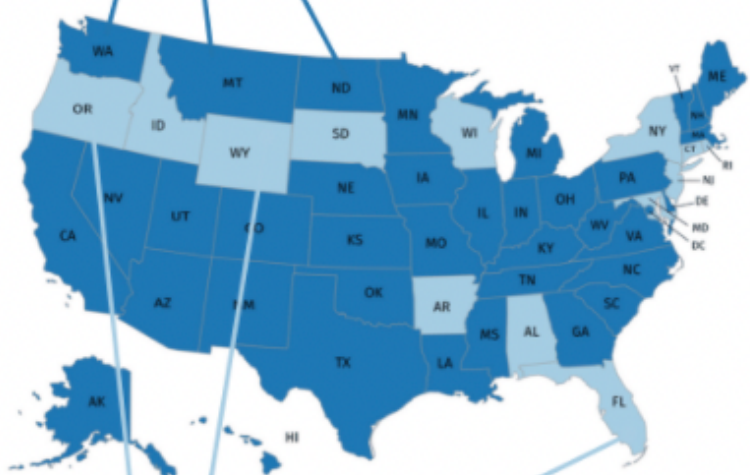
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OVERSEAS ABSENTEE BALLOT

When you vote from abroad, you must request your ballot **every calendar year**. Overseas voters use a special form that both registers you to vote as an overseas voter and requests your absentee ballot.

Request by Email

Most states allow you to request your ballot by email. Simply go to votefromabroad.org and submit your ballot request online to your Local Election Office.



Mail or Fax?

A handful of states require you to mail or fax your ballot request in some or all cases. You can go to votefromabroad.org and follow the provided instructions to submit your ballot request to your Local Election Office.

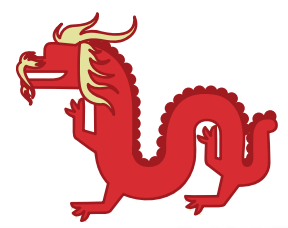
Mail

Use the normal mail service with **China Post** and it should arrive in about 13 business days and cost less than ¥10.

Fax

Use the free email-to-fax service: fax@fvap.gov
Provided by the U.S. Federal Voter Assistance Program.

Questions? Contact your friendly Beijing-based voter assistance volunteer on WeChat. Elizabeth Jenkins, WeChat ID: elizaj



New Template Campaign Setup - 2022

2020 VFA - One Pagers (No GPP)

China-Specific Volunteer Resources

- How to return Ballots by Mail or Fax: [2020.08.29_VFA_INSTRUCTIONS.pdf](#)
- Logistics Guidance:
 - [2020 Voter Logistics A3 \(PNG\)](#)
 - [2020 State Logistics A3 \(PNG\)](#)
 - [Chinese to English Translation Guide - Mail \(PNG\)](#)
 - [2020 FedEx Rates \(Columns Labeled 1, 2\)](#)
 - [2020 DHL Rates \(Zone 6\)](#)

DA Vote From Abroad Training - July 11, 2020

- Training Slides, PDF (smaller file size)
- Training Slides, PPTX (larger file size)
- Zoom Session Recording (1 hour, 12 minutes)
 - [Chat Box, txt](#)
 - [Audio Only, m4a \(28 MB\)](#)
 - [Full Video, mp4 \(108 MB\)](#)



WWW.VOTEFROMABROAD.ORG

California, Time To Party

- Ballots were sent on July 31st to all registered voters.
- Voters who have received their ballot should also send it in *now!*
 - If you return your ballot by **Fax**
 - It must be Received by **September 14, 2021, 8 PM**
 - If you return your ballot by **Mail**
 - It must be Postmarked by **September 14, 2021**
 - AND Received by **September 21, 2021**
- There will be two questions on the ballot. Voters should vote on **both** questions, even if they vote against the recall.

MAY

1	2	3 OH - (S) IN - (S)	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 WV - (S) NE - (S)	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 NC - (S) ID - (S) OR - (S) PA - (S) KY - (S)	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 AR - (S) GA - (S) TX - (R) AL - (S)	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	(S) - STATE PRIMARY (R) - RUNOFF PRIMARY			



JUNE

	1	2	3	4		
5	6	7 CA - (S) IA - (S) MS - (S) MT - (S) NJ - (S) NM - (S) SD - (S)	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 ME - (S) NV - (S) ND - (S) SC - (S)	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 VA - (S) AR - (R) DC - (D) GA - (R)	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 CO - (S) MD - (S) OK - (S) SC - (R) UT - (S) NY - (F,S) IL - (S)	29	30	(S) - STATE PRIMARY (R) - RUNOFF PRIMARY (F) - FEDERAL PRIMARY (D) - DISTRICT	



AUGUST

1	2 AZ - (S) KS - (S) MI - (S) MS - (S) WA - (S)	3	4 TN - (S)	5	6 VI - (T)
7	8	9 CT - (S) MN - (S) VT - (S) WI - (S)	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 AK - (S) WY - (S)	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 FL - (S) OK - (R)	24
25	26	27 GU - (T)*	28	29	30
31	(S) - STATE PRIMARY (R) - RUNOFF PRIMARY (T) - TERRITORY PRIMARY * - SUBJECT TO CHANGE				



SEP

DELAWARE - SEPTEMBER 13 (S)
 NEW HAMPSHIRE - SEPTEMBER 13 (S)
 RHODE ISLAND - SEPTEMBER 13 (S)
 MASSACHUSETTS - SEPTEMBER 20 (S)*

OCT

NO PRIMARIES SCHEDULED

NOV

LOUISIANA - NOVEMBER 8 (F)

(S) - STATE PRIMARY
 (F) - FEDERAL PRIMARY
 * - SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Nuts & Bolts – Voting from Abroad



3 Steps to Voting from Abroad

- 1. Submit an FPCA (Federal Post Card Application)**
form to your **LEO** (local election official)
Check to see your FPCA arrived & was accepted.
- 1. Receive** blank ballot from your LEO.
- 1. Return** the voted ballot asap
Check to see your ballot arrived & is counted



Why use an FPCA to request/register as **overseas** voter?

- Receive ballot 45 days before elections
- Receive ballot electronically – all states
- May return voted ballot electronically – many states
- Extended deadlines – some states
- Can use a Backup Ballot (FWAB) if necessary



Why VoteFromAbroad.org is the best tool !

- State-specific instructions - on how to fill out, submit, verify
- Clear and easy to use
- Chatbox / helpdesk
- State info pages
- LEO contact info
- If users choose: can join DA or update DA membership



What YOU can do to help **Dems** win in November

- Use VFA yourself
- Use VFA sandbox to learn other states' rules & deadlines
- Share the VFA link & info widely in your circles
- Attend Voter Assistance trainings
- Review Voter Assistance slides or video on DA website
- Answer voter questions
 - Help at events in your CC
 - Join Intercom team
- Have / gain expertise – join the Voter Protection team
- Call battleground state overseas voters

Links - Time to Take Action!

<https://www.votefromabroad.org>

<https://www.votefromabroad.org/states>

<http://www.voterfromabroad.org/sandbox>

www.democratsabroad.org/2022 (voting pages for battleground states)

https://www.democratsabroad.org/gotv_voter_assistance_training

https://www.democratsabroad.org/intercom_training

https://www.democratsabroad.org/phonebanking_training



DEMOCRATS ABROAD

**STATE
TEAMS**

DA State Teams

Key States

- AZ, CA, FL, GA, MD, ME, MI, NJ, NC, OH, PA, TX & WI
- Everyone is welcome - those with ties to the state and allies who want to help turn out the overseas vote!
- Ways to join in the action:
 - ◆ State Team Slack Channel
 - ◆ Interest and Engagement Survey
 - Take a minute now to fill it out. Feel free to share!
 - ◆ Write to states@democratsabroad.org

DA State Teams

Aims and Action

With crucial races in each of our 12 states, both up and down the ballot, our teams have been hard at work getting out the vote.

Here are just some of the things we've been working on:

- Representing the interests of key state voters
- Protecting ballot access
- Increasing voter participation

DA State Teams

Aims and Action

Representing the interests of state voters living abroad and raising our profile with state parties and legislators by:

- Holding events to introduce voters to in-state candidates and groups
- Building relationships and working together with the state/county Democratic Parties
 - ◆ VFA buttons/overseas voting info added to party websites
 - ◆ Working closely with Voter Protection teams
- Regularly communicating with DA members who vote in these states

DA State Teams

Aims and Action

Protecting ballot access for voters living abroad by:

- Setting up team members to do state-specific Voter Assistance on Intercom
- Documenting and helping to address recurring voting issues
- Establishing connections to local election officials to better support our voters
- Developing state-specific voting guides and information
- ◆ Please use and share our [GA/PA/TX guides](#) - and more to come!

DA State Teams

Aims and Action

Increasing voter participation by voters living abroad and helping Democrats win local, state and Federal elections by:

- Educating and informing our members on voting laws and state deadlines as well as key races and issues
- Providing content for newsletters and social media
- Participating in and promoting state specific phonebanking campaigns
- Building coalitions with state and local organizations
- Emphasizing the importance of and providing guidance for voting in down ballot elections

Looking Back

Who's Who of State Team Events - Watch on DA Facebook

- Arizona - Adrian Fontes, Running for SoS
- Florida - Alex Barrios, Campaign Director, FL Dems
- Georgia - Nikema Williams - GA Dems Chair and Cong. Rep.
- Maine - Drew Gattine - ME Dems Chair; Shenna Bellows, SoS
- North Carolina - State Representatives and Supreme Court Justices
- Ohio - Tim Ryan, Nan Williams, Liz Walters - OH Dems Chair
- Pennsylvania - John Fetterman and Conor Lamb
- Texas - Beto O'Rourke
- Wisconsin - Ben Wikler - WI Dems Chair

Looking Back

Who's Who of State Team Events - Watch on DA Facebook

- **Highlight - Beto O'Rourke Meet the Candidate Event**
 - Running for Texas Governor
 - Close to 700 RSVPs
 - Spoke on situation in Texas post "Heartbeat Bill" as a glimpse of what is looming post Roe
 - Link to [Clip](#) discussing Mexico border outreach



Looking Forward

Focussing on the Crucial Races

- Senate Races in AZ, FL, GA, NC, NH (ME), OH, PA & WI
- Governor Races in AZ, CA, FL, GA, MD, ME, MI, OH, PA, TX & WI
- Key Congressional Districts
- Other Downballot Races
 - ◆ State Legislatures
 - ◆ State Courts
 - ◆ State and Local School boards
 - ◆ Municipal Elections
- Issues at stake: Reproductive rights, voting access, climate, racial and economic justice, fair elections and the list goes on

Get in on the Action

Planning Meetings and Events- Check out [Event Page](#) for links!

- Georgia: Friday, June 3rd
- Maine Kick-Off Event: Wednesday, June 1st
- North Carolina: Tuesday, May 30th
- Ohio: Sunday, May 29th and Sunday, June 5th: Ohio Event
- Wisconsin: Monday, May 30th and Meet the Candidates June 16th and 22nd
- Pennsylvania: Wednesday, June 16th
- State Teams Meet Up: Sunday, June 26th

DA State Team Volunteer Opportunities



Join a State Team Steering Committee

*All hands on deck! Everyone is welcome
even if you don't vote in the state*

Get out the Vote



Help to mobilize the overseas vote

Join in Phonebanking campaigns; Help with special projects including Postcarding, writing letters and sending emails; Research key races; Participate in CC tabling events; & Spread the word!!

Candidate Events



Help us plan upcoming events

Organization, Planning, Zoom Tech Support,
Promotion, Comms, Moderating, Candidate
Research and Outreach

Voter Assistance



Voter Assistance and Materials

Walk voters through process of overseas voting,
Track voting obstacles, Make/distribute state
specific voting info materials, Work together with
Local Election Officials

Social Media



Content Creation and Sharing

Create social media content; share, like, comment on content from your personal account (Social Media Warrior); post in FB groups/Twitter

We need your help

What can you do?

→ Ways to stay in touch!

- ◆ Write to states@democratsabroad.org
- ◆ Join the State Teams on Slack

→ Spread the Message:

- ◆ Highlight key races - Senate, Congress, Governors, Statewide...
- ◆ Stress the importance of down ballot voting
- ◆ Share voting information
- ◆ Share content on social media

→ Get started Phonebanking and recruit Voter Assistance volunteers

Key State Primary Dates

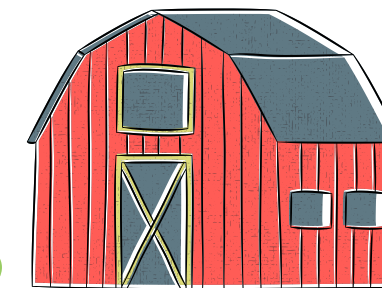
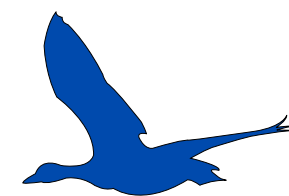
Previous

- Texas: March 1
- Ohio: May 3
- Pennsylvania: May 17
- North Carolina: May 17

Upcoming

- Georgia: May 24
- Texas: May 24 (Runoff)
- California: June 7
- Maryland: June 7
- Maine: June 14
- Arizona: August 2
- Michigan: August 2
- Wisconsin: August 9
- Florida: August 23

WISCONSIN



BLUE-22

YES, WI CAN!



GOTV 2022



2022 Teams Building

FACEBOOK

Find a team for your State



SLACK

Want to do more? Join Slack



LET'S MAKE WAVES



REGISTER
TO VOTE



JOIN
DEMS ABROAD





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Volunteer Vacancies

- CAUCUS CHAIRS
- COMMITTEE LEADERS
- IT DIRECTOR
- MEMBER-AT-LARGE
- VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

CONTACT US

NEC

GET TO KNOW US!



PATRICK CRANLEY

Votes in Maryland



LAUREN TIPTON

Votes in Texas



ALBERT WALKER

Votes in Florida

We Like to Chat



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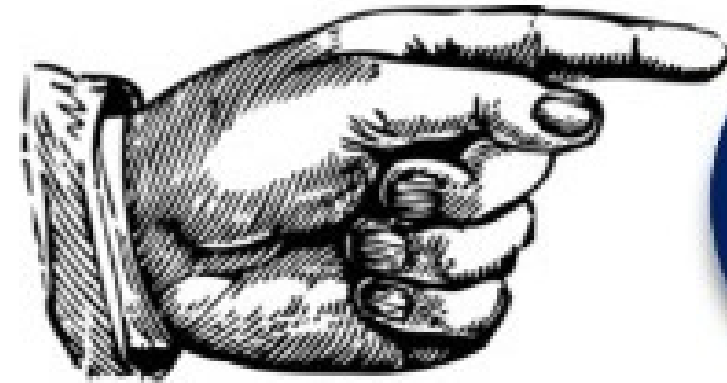
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LET'S GET TO WORK!



READY SET



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VOTE



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Absentee ballots for US citizens