

Arkansas Progressive Democrats

General Meeting 8/16/2026

16 August 2026/ 4:00 PM / Discord

ATTENDEES

APDC members

AGENDA

- Continue to review past legislation in the drive for DPA policy bank
- Skillshare: Discuss training ideas - looking for dates for FOIA training
- Voicemail from KABF
- Banking update and any donations / Treasurer's Update
- Topics for social media posts for the week; question of the week; candidate spotlights; website banner; newsletter topics - social media post Idea - ask people to sign up for our newsletter
- Candidate volunteering efforts - what support is needed?
- Bring progressive candidates to the South - AOC and Bernie - get signatures on letter
- **Project or policy idea:** Working with legislators to expedite birth certificate / SSN card and ID so they can start working
- **Ongoing:** Reviewing discord server members - pick up past project
- **Ongoing:** Bill tracker prep for 2027 legislative session - research spreadsheet auto-updates on website

Future monthly meetings topics:

- Suggestions for 2026 Roadmap items and suggestions for DPA rules changes
- 2026 Roadmap item: Legislative item for Citizens United - see: Montana constitutional initiative called [Transparent Election Initiative](#)

NOTES:

- Raised money for billboard to display in Oct to Nov - vote no to cut library funding by one third in Saline County. If raise more funds, will do mailers etc.

- Could set up a postcard writing party for local candidates - or sign placement party

ACTION ITEMS:

- DONE: Poll to determine availability for canvassing
 - SENT EMAIL: FOIA training for end of September at monthly meeting - could use AANPHI zoom - Sept. 27 around 4 p.m.
 - Call KABF - respond to voicemail - call from Google Voice number
 - DONE: List of events for this week - for facebook post
 - Question of the week: How important is policy to you when choosing who to vote for? Co-chair to make graphics for candidate spotlight and monthly meeting
 - Send more bills to policy bank; update drive with past bills sent
 - DPA: Send AOC / Bernie letter to Gracie and asking her to send it out. Send out email reminder for Aug. 27 all auxiliary meeting - can she schedule a meeting on 8/27 at 7 p.m.
 - DONE: Candidate spotlight - follow up with SD13 candidate, AGS
 - DONE: Post meeting recap in the general channel - poll, bills, etc.
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- **Local and state elections to support**
 - NWA - HD19 - Jamie Atkinson - HD19
 - Pulaski County - HD67 - Andrew Cabe Eberly
 - Maumelle - HD71 Cassandra Green
 - Pulaski County - HD70 - Alex Holladay
 - Pulaski County - SD13 - Alison Sweatman
 - East of Pine Bluff - HD62 - Dexter Miller
 - Faulkner County - HD55 - Cynthia Nations
 - Faulkner County north of Conway - HD56 - Steve Magie, Dem incumbent
 - Lake for Ward 3
 - West Memphis / Marion - HD13 - Open seat; runoff ongoing
 - LR city positions: Collab with DSA
 - NWA - HD10 - Jacob Allen
 - NWA - HD15 - Daniel Holtmeyer
 - NWA - HD13 - Mitchell Smith
 - Pulaski County Judge - Wendell Griffin
 - Saline - SD 16 - Joshua Irby

State and federal candidates to support

Kelly Grappe (s.o.s)

Hallie Shoffner for Senate

Robb Ryerse District 3,

Chris Jones for District 2

James Russell for District 4

Terri Yabrough Green for District 1