

Arkansas Progressive Democrats

General Meeting 8/9/2026

9 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
- Voicemail from KABF - being on the show
- Review action items from 7/3 meeting - community org master list and events
- 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 - Support campaign for Rus - action items from last campaign call on 7/5
- 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:

- FOIA skillshare / powerpoint - if nothing else, could post it on our website. Need to remove duplicated slides before putting it on our website. Continue working on the graphics / colors
- Policy idea - expediting ID - Vital Records etc - need a legislator to push the bill - maybe Fayetteville / Jonesboro - need Senator and house rep to sponsor - bryan king - need people to testify in committees
- Canvassing - Benton city council member - Greg White - doesn't need an endorsement but does need support / door knocking. District 70 - Alex Holladay campaign kick off is Aug. 15

ACTION ITEMS:

- Respond to KABF radio show about being on program - ask about show and what we are gonna talk about.
 - Progressive Caucus endorsement - national caucus - reach out to them - they need to give us email addresses to reach out. Need to ask for contact info.
 - Ask about meeting at admin chat.
 - Pick 5 more bills to review in the legislative channel - ideas for future legislation
 - Support Arkansas Renters United eviction notice and paperwork canvassing for Little Rock residents - bring stamps and envelopes to mail forms - publicize next day of training / canvassing
 - DONE: ACO training on 8/15 for Popular Democracy - Guardians of Democracy civic training coming up - put in newsletter
 - Question of the week: Mitch McConnell; Todd Blanche. SHS and Sharia Law - propose some questions in the media channel / general channel and ask people to vote
 - DONE: Update website banner
 - DONE: Forward info on indivisible campaign
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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