**MINUTES**

1. **Intro / Welcome (2 min)**
   1. Club President Bridget Cusick opened the meeting.
   2. We rearranged the planned agenda, moving District Leader updates up as the first order of business while we awaited City Councilmember Ben Kallos.
   3. We are accepting nominations to fill a vacancy in the position of Club Recording Secretary. Lauren Trapanotto’s election to the State Committee means that, under our Constitution, she can no longer serve as a Club Officer. The vacancy will be filled by a vote of our Board, as required by the Constitution. If you would like to nominate someone for this position, or would like to be considered for this position yourself, email Club President Bridget Cusick.
2. **District Leader Updates (10 min)**
   1. Introductions by District Leaders Kim Moscaritolo and Ben Wetzler
   2. Kim and Ben presented an overview of the New York County Committee rules reform that will be discussed and voted on at the October 29th County Committee Meeting at Aaron Davis Hall (115 Convent Avenue) at 6:30 PM.
   3. We will be leading phone banks every Thursday and canvassing every weekend leading to the election. Please contact Kim or Ben for more information, or sign up on our website under “Get Involved”, “Take Back Congress in 2018”: <http://www.fourfreedomsnyc.org/2018_congress>
   4. Presented the following resolution, which then passed with a unanimous vote:  
        
      *The Four Freedoms Democratic Club condemns the attacks that occurred at the Metropolitan Republican Club on Friday evening. White supremacy and racist, homophobic rhetoric has no place in our city. We demand that the NYPD continue to investigate and work diligently to bring the perpetrators to justice. Further, we demand that the Mayor and the City Council investigate the incident to determine why, despite the presence of NYPD officers, so few arrests were made at the scene. Finally, we condemn the Metropolitan Republican Club for inviting a white supremacist group to come speak in the first place. Whatever our political disagreements may be, we should all be able to agree that that kind of hate has no place on the Upper East Side, or anywhere in New York City.*
3. **Charter Revision Commission Ballot Proposals: What Are We Voting on Next Month? (25 min)**
   1. Overview of the ballot proposals by City Councilmember Ben Kallos
   2. For more information on what we are voting on, please visit the Club website: <http://www.fourfreedomsnyc.org/charter_revision_commission_ballot_proposals>
   3. The club took a vote on supporting the first ballot proposal and the vote passed.
4. **Participatory Budgeting: Process Overview and Q&A (15 min)**
   1. Overview of the Participatory Budgeting process by City Councilmember Ben Kallos
   2. Learn more about it on the Councilmembers website: <https://benkallos.com/pb>
5. **State Committee Updates (15 min)**
   1. New-elected State Committeewoman Lauren Trapanotto reported on her efforts to reform campaign expenditure practices at her first meeting of the New York State Democratic Committee on October 1st. Read her full summary on our website: <http://www.fourfreedomsnyc.org/state_committee_reform>
   2. New-elected State Committeeman Adam Roberts discussed upcoming canvassing activities. We will be knocking on doors for Andrew Gounardes for State Senate and Max Rose for Congress. Please email Adam or sign up here to join: <https://goo.gl/forms/OJubV9WJFYt1eqxw1>
6. **FFDC Committee Updates and Upcoming Events (10 min)**
   1. Committee Reports
      1. Diversity and Outreach Committee - N/A
      2. Social Media Committee - N/A
      3. Policy Committee
         1. Looking for additional members of the Public Transit Subcommittee; please contact Nancy Lang.
         2. Planning to host a forum on criminal justice reform. More information and date to be confirmed.
      4. Activism Committee
         1. Canvassing and phone banking activities were already covered.
      5. Events Committee
         1. Fall Fundraiser will be held next week on October 23rd at 7 PM at Dorrian’s. Please RSVP on our website: <http://www.fourfreedomsnyc.org/fall_fundraiser_2018>
   2. Other Upcoming Events
      1. Bail Forum - 10/24
      2. General Election - 11/6
      3. November Meeting - 11/13
      4. Tentative Public Advocate Forum - week of 12/3
      5. Holiday Party - 12/11
7. **Member Time (10 min)**
8. **Adjourn**