

**We The People Henderson General Meeting**  
**01/10/2026 9:00 am -11:00 am**  
**Henderson Equality Center, 1490 W Sunset Rd, Henderson, NV 89014**

**In attendance (20):** Bella Scholes, China Frazier, Gerrie Katz Wolf, Helen Major, Jan LaFleur, Jan Hall, Jennifer Ihrig, Kim Keels, Lianne Kountz, Ron Garland, Stephanie Clark, Ziona Friedlander, Georgene Zaydell, Tricia Donohue, Judy Garland, Thomas Hall, Barbara Bell, Marc Hall, Angela Espin, Bryan Gardner.

**A. Welcoming of New Members**

Before starting round robin intros, Lianne Kountz presented Bryan Gardner (who couldn't stay for the meeting).

Bryan will serve as Co-Chair for GOTV and Voter Ed, especially in the area of school board extremism. He is a former Superintendent of schools in OR, and will work towards ousting extremist board members and successfully electing those who aren't.

He will attend school board meetings; the next one being February 4.

He is just starting in this area, and doesn't know what he doesn't know.

Gerri offered to help with research and info gathering.

SCA's Democratic Club could be a resource for additional help.

Tricia's mother-in-law is a teacher in CCSD, if that would help.

Jan L brought up Linda Cavazos of CCSD. Bryan says he knows about her.

**1. Round robin introductions of new members.**

We listened to very personal stories that motivate us to join a community like WTPH.

We were offered various resources:

- Bernice A. King's speech at the "Mission Possible 2: A Future We Build Together" Summit
- Robert Reich videos, especially the one about tyranny called, "What a 'Bug's Life' Teaches Us About Oligarchy."
- Indivisible Las Vegas <https://indivisiblelasvegas.org/>

- Democratic Socialists of America <https://www.dsausa.org/>
- [mobilize.us](https://mobilize.us) to find local activist groups

## **2. Round Robin Existing members Name, Roles, and Committees joined**

- Ziona Friedlander is a meditation teacher and offered to teach techniques to the group before we start our meetings.

## **3. China Frazier and Jan Lafleur invite new members to see them for assistance at close of business meeting re:**

- *Getting to Know You Questionnaires*: preferably complete on line (<https://forms.gle/d9zpPNurpH6Maekk6>) or hard copy
- *Red Wine & Blue App*: please download; great source of information
- *Signal App*: please download; it's the most efficient way to communicate
- *Our Page*: <https://redwineblue.controlshift.app/groups/we-the-people-of-henderson>

## **4. If logo lanyards are in they will be passed out**

Lanyards not ready yet. Working on it.

We have a logo!

Lanyards will have logo & QR code.

We can have whistles.

## **B. Committee Oral Reports ( short as most were inactive over holiday)**

\**FUN* - needs a Chair. New member Ron Garland expressed interest in this committee. Ziona Friedlander would resume participating if there is more momentum with this committee.

\* *GOTV/Voter Education*- needs a Chair. Lianne Kountz reported:

- On Feb. 7, Lianne will work on registering voters at the Farmer's Market at Fox Ridge Park in Henderson.

Anyone who is interested is welcome to join.

\* Field Team 6 is a nation-wide volunteer army doing partisan voter registration (registering Democrats) at the largest scale and lowest cost ever seen. They offer regional training. <https://www.fieldteam6.org/>

\* Braver Angels is leading the nation's largest cross-partisan, volunteer-led movement to bridge the partisan divide and strengthen our democratic republic.

Kate Quinn will be invited to our next meeting to talk to us.

<https://braverangels.org/>

\* Red Wine & Blue has lots of education resources and an upcoming meeting on Jan. 12 called "Moms for Good: Joining Together to Stop ICE"; 4pm - 5pm on Zoom. Go to

<https://redwine.blue/> to sign up.

\* *Social Activism* - (Jen Hansen out with flu) Lianne Kountz reported:

- We need safety plans for large events/protests.

Lianne's experience working with Henderson PD was a good one.

- Jan. 16 is a planned Bridge Brigade for overpasses for **NO ICE** protests.

We need cardboard, art supplies to make signs.

Need volunteers.

Come as you are, or in costume!

See Lianne and/or Bella for more information and if you're interested.

\* *Social Justice* - Angie Espin. Needs a co-chair and secretary.

Food Collection: please bring to every general meeting a shelf stable protein for the Henderson Equality Center.

This committee is focusing on addressing the needs of vulnerable people in our community, particularly with food insecurity. Other types of organizations that do this are **The Just One Project** (<https://thejustoneproject.org/>) and **St. Rose Dominican**

**Meals on Wheels through Helping Hands of Henderson**

(<https://www.dignityhealth.org/las-vegas/classes-and-events/community-programs/helping-hands-of-henderson>)

\* *Sun City Anthem Democratic Club* - Jen Ihrig

- NV Attorney General Aaron Ford spoke at the last SCA Democratic Club meeting and when Jen asked him about the likelihood of the SAVE Act being passed, he seemed dismissive and didn't think it would go through.

The SAVE Act has passed the House and is now awaiting a vote in the Senate. They want to pass this before the midterms.

The Save American Voter Eligibility (SAVE) Act would require voters to provide documentary proof of US citizenship, like a birth certificate or passport.

This is another form of voter suppression.

From <https://www.americanprogress.org/>:

“This SAVE Act threatens to disenfranchise millions of U.S. citizens: 146 million Americans do not have a passport, and 69 million women who have married do not have a birth certificate that matches their new legal name. Working-class and low-income Americans would also be disproportionately disenfranchised if the bill became law, as the vast majority of these groups do not possess a passport.”

We need to let women know that they should start right away making sure they have the documents they need to prove they are eligible to vote.

\* Women’s Reproductive Rights in NV:

This has to pass a 2<sup>nd</sup> time to be enshrined in the NV constitution.

We need to inform everyone and provide resources.

Stephanie Clark: The City of Henderson does an annual St. Patrick’s Day parade - it’s a huge event. Can we sign up to participate? Have a float?

### **Reminder About Committee Work:**

Committee meetings are scheduled online by the committee. Please post these meetings on the Signal chats.

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### **C. Recruitment**

1. *Social Media:* Helen Papesh-Major has volunteered to work on this. Remember to repost to your social media from RWB.

2. *Use our link to recruit:*

<https://redwineblue.controlshift.app/groups/we-the-people-of-henderson>

This triggers registration on the page and the welcome packet.

3. *Leadership and committee members:* Update

\* Secretary has been permanently filled by Ziona Friedlander

\* Treasurer is Barbara Bell

\* Still need the following Chairs/co-Chairs:

GOTV/Voter Education Chair

GOTV co-Chair for School Board

GOTV co-Chair Project 2025

Social Justice co-Chair

FUN Chair

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4. Interest vote on an individual choice and up front funding buying shirts with logo vs wait til funds available.

*NOTE: Did we vote on this? If so, I missed it. Apologies.*

#### **D. Getting Petty Cash Established**

1. We voted to call voluntary monthly contributions “donations”. Minimum \$5 per person, any amount over that welcomed, per month. Cash preferred; donate at monthly meetings. Barbara to collect donations. She will write a monthly report showing “donations” versus expenditures.

***IMPORTANT: “donations” are not tax-deductible.***

2. Petty Cash Expenditures could/will include:

Monthly room rental at Henderson Equality Center - \$20.00

Committees: art supplies, resistance pins, copying expenses, perishables for protests name tags, lanyards, etc.

## **E. Future Meetings and Events**

1. February 14, 2026, from 9am - 11am at the Henderson Equality Center, 1490 W Sunset Rd, Unit 120, Henderson, NV 89014

Please continue to support The Equality Center's food pantry and bring a canned or dried protein to every general meeting.

2. Please be kind and RSVP at

<https://redwineblue.controlshift.app/groups/we-the-people-of-henderson>

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4. Everyone get on Signal app.

## **F. Close and FUN**

1. Mingle and make your resistance pin.

## **MISCELLANEOUS:**

Jan Lafleur wanted to let us know that sometimes boycotts and protests work:

Indivisible targeted the following companies:

- Spotify: Several organizations, such as Indivisible, launched boycott campaigns over Spotify's ICE recruitment ads, urging users to cancel subscriptions and sending letters to the company. While the ads stopped streaming in late 2025 due to the contract, some have claimed the pressure campaigns were successful in their efforts.

- Avelo Airlines recently ended its controversial contract to operate deportation flights for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), citing inconsistent revenue and increased costs, while also closing its Mesa Gateway base and cutting some commercial routes amidst broader operational shifts. The decision followed significant public backlash, protests, and boycotts from immigration advocacy groups and local

officials who opposed Avelo's involvement in deportations after the budget airline began these flights in 2025.

SUCCESS!

Let's also be aware that Hilton is booking ICE into their hotels and affiliates, sometimes for months at a time. That corporation should also be targeted.

Jan offered a teaching from a Jewish source, *Pirke Avot*, or *Ethics of the Fathers*: Rabbi Tarfon used to say: "It is not your duty to finish the work, but neither are you at liberty to neglect it..."

Also, be sure to follow Heather Cox Richardson, American historian, commentator and creator.