

**DOWNTOWN INDEPENDENT DEMOCRATS
MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday May 29, 2014 6:30 pm
Fanelli's 2nd Floor, 94 Prince Street

Meeting was called to order by DID president Jeanne Wilcke.

1. DIVESTMENT OF FOSSIL FUEL INVESTMENTS BY THE STATE & CITY

350.org requested DID support efforts to have NY State and NY City strategically divest fossil fuel investments over five years and reinvest in renewable energy.

Presenters: Amy Miller Sarah Vondrich

VOTE: DID members voted unanimously in favor.

2. DID BYLAW CHANGES

- Item 1: Allow an email vote by the Executive Committee where time is of the essence.
Following discussion it was decided to layover this item, pending further review of the language for the proposed change.
- Item 2: Remove approval level for expenditures from the original \$100 put in place 43 years ago.
VOTE: Approved. 1 vote stating No and all other votes stating Yes.
- Item 3: Written notice and mail by definition shall include email.
VOTE: Approved. Unanimous.

3. DID ENDORSEMENTS FOR STATE OFFICE

Erik Bottcher, Governor's Special Assistant for Community Affairs, spoke on behalf of candidate for Governor Andrew Cuomo.

Presentation by Civil Court Judge Candidate Louis Nock.

DID members proceeded to vote by paper ballot.

ENDORSEMENTS

Governor:	No endorsement at this time
Lt. Governor:	No endorsement at this time
Attorney General:	Eric T. Schneiderman
Comptroller:	Thomas P. Napoli
Senate 26 th District:	Daniel Squadron
Senate 27 th District:	Brad Hoylman
Assembly 65 th District:	Sheldon Silver
Assembly 66 th District:	Deborah Glick
Dem. Committee 65 th AD – Male:	John Quinn
Dem. Committee 65 th AD – Female:	No Endorsement
Dem. Committee 66 th AD – Male:	Alan Schulkin
Dem. Committee 66 th AD – Female:	Rachel Lavine
Civil Court Judge NY County:	Louis L. Nock

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday June 2, 2014 Seaport Working Group Open House 6-8 pm
Southbridge Towers, Community Room, 90 Beekman Place
Open to the public. Opportunity to review and submit feedback.

Thursday June 5, 2014 Citizen Preparedness Training Program 6 pm
PS 41 Greenwich Village School, 116 W 11th Street
Register in advance: www.prepare.ny.gov

Meeting adjourned 9 pm.