

PAD Meeting Minutes- 23 April 2025

- I. 6pm Welcome
 - A. Many current and previous office holders including reps from Plymouth, Thornton, Ashland
 - B. New attendees welcome
 1. At least six newcomers
 - C. Treasury Report
 1. Very brief- we have money
- II. Concerning ICE with Kate Wood-Hedburg
 - A. Sheriff made an unilateral decision who did not consult with the county commission.
 - B. Kate assures the room that the sheriff would not have had support
 - C. Petition to see if the decision can be walked back went around the room
 1. Commissioners are looking into any legal ways to reverse the decision
 - D. Questions
 1. Bill N- what is this going to cost the taxpayers?
 - a) Don't know
 - (1) Could be under the commission's purview because of the cost of utilities, gas, salaries, etc
 2. Question for someone to review the finances as a personnel issue
 - a) This would be important to track and understand
 3. Many questions are open to explore but due to the unusual nature of the situation, we do not know.
- III. 6:15 Maggie Goodlander
 - A. Summary of speech
 1. Day 110 on the job
 2. Pledges to fight against the privatization of the country and public services
 3. In the House, there is a 5 vote margin
 - a) Medicaid/care and Social Security are on the line
 4. Member of the Business and Armed Services Committees
 5. 168+ cases in the courts. Member of Congress **cannot** bring lawsuits on their own
 - B. Questions
 1. Any cracks on the other (Republican) side?
 - a) In regards to Pete Hegseth, Rep. Don Bacon (R) has called for him to resign
 - b) Don Bacon and Goodlander are collaborating on a bill to regain the power of the purse back to Congress
 2. How do we bridge the gap between Republicans and Democrats?

- C. Time ran out. Maggie will come back in the fall for a full session.
- IV. Panel Discussion
 - A. Panel: Oscar Lakowicz, PSU Student Democratic Club; Jason Charrette, PSU student advisor; Avery Opland
 - B. Jess Quinn presents questions:
 1. Do young people think of politics as something that matters to them or something on which they can have a meaningful impact?
 2. What issues concern you directly and indirectly?
 3. Do you think that youth have enough knowledge to understand how local, state, and national politics work? If not, where can the gap get filled?
 - C. Overall reception was very positive. Much discussion happened afterwards.
- V. Meeting adjourned