



Official Meeting Minutes

January 2026 Monthly Membership Meeting

Date

January 8, 2025 @ 6:30PM

Location

Raleigh Brewing Distro
Wilson's Mills, North Carolina

IN ATTENDANCE

Members

Noah Denton
Brandon Saylor
Joseph Walters
Alexander Ekker-Runde

Absent

Virginia Harbeck
Derek Wales

Guests

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6:31PM

Meeting called to order.

6:32PM

Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Prayer: Noah Denton

Vote to approve meeting agenda

Motion: Brandon Saylor

Second: Alexander Ekker-Runde

6:33PM

Vote to approve prior meeting's minutes

Motion: Alexander Ekker-Runde

Second: Brandon Saylor

Chairman's Report

Mr. Walters shared that with the upcoming midterms, we can expect to hear from the state YR's. Mr. Walters reported that he expects to hear from them after the primary passes.

Mr. Walters shared that he has not heard anything from the county party. This is due in part to the county party not holding a monthly meeting on the first Thursday of the month, which was New Year's Day.

Mr. Walters finally shared that he is planning to seek re-election at the annual meeting next month.

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Vice Chairman's Report

Mr. Ekker-Runde stated that he had no official report as Vice Chairman.

Mr. Ekker-Runde shared that he is planning to seek re-election at the annual meeting next month.



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Secretary's Report

Mr. Denton stated that he had no official report as Secretary.

Mr. Denton finally shared that he plans to seek re-election at the annual meeting next month.

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Treasurer's Report

Mr. Saylor stated that at the beginning of December, the chapter had an expenditure of \$468. This was to renew the chapter's website for the entirety of 2026.

Mr. Saylor stated that the chapter currently has \$481 remaining in the bank account. There are no outstanding debts or any expected expenditures.

Mr. Saylor finally stated that he does not plan to seek re-election at the annual meeting next month.

After serving 2 years as Chairman and another year as Treasurer, Mr. Saylor stated that he needs to take a small step back from the chapter's board.

Mr. Saylor clarified that he intends to remain involved in the chapter as a general member.

6:41PM

Committee Chair Reports

Before beginning the Committee Chair Reports, Mr. Denton shared an idea regarding the Financials Committee, which is currently chaired by Ms. Harbeck.

6:42PM

Mr. Denton suggested either dissolving or merging the Financials committee into the Treasurer's department, since the committee is meant to work with the Treasurer for fundraising purposes.

Mr. Saylor suggested adding a Co-Treasurer to serve as the chair of the Financials Committee and report directly to the Treasurer.

Mr. Walters stated that Ms. Harbeck would not be losing her position on the board. Her current position would simply be renamed.

Mr. Walters stated that the details and specifics of this merge would be saved for the first board meeting.

6:43PM

Membership & Recruitment Committee Report

Mr. Wales was absent and was unable to deliver a report.

Communications & Publicity Committee Report

Mr. Denton shared that he would like to hold a livestream on Rumble at least once every other month. Ideally, he would like to hold one each month with every meeting.

Mr. Denton also announced that he is pulling archival footage to release on the days or months where a livestream is not possible or scheduled.

Financials Committee Report

Ms. Harbeck was absent from this meeting and was unable to deliver a report.

Socials Committee Report

Mr. Saylor and Mr. Denton shared that they had nothing to report from their committee.



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New Business

Mr. Walters shared that the annual meeting will take place on February 12th, 2026. Location is still to be announced.

Mr. Saylor shared that dues will be collected at that meeting.

Mr. Denton reminded everyone about John Poshepny's advice following an incident shortly after the last election. The advice was to use the online payment portal only to collect dues.

Mr. Denton also shared that he will livestreaming that meeting on the chapter's Rumble channel.

6:45PM

Open Discussion

Mr. Denton shared that he will redistributing the membership survey he conducted early last year.

This survey has been modified from last year and will serve as a sort of registration form for new and returning members.

Mr. Walters shared that he will be getting in touch with Emily Stack and John Poshepny to arrange one of them to be present at the next meeting as a guest chair for the election.

Mr. Saylor suggested organizing a list of potential guest speakers and reaching out to them in advance to get them scheduled to appear at meetings.

The board members reflected on the milestones and accomplishments from the past 3 years.

7:00PM

Mr. Walters asked the board how they thought he had served as Chairman over the past year. He cited concerns that over the past year, membership had dwindled.

Mr. Saylor reminded Mr. Walters that over the past year, the chapter took a big hit, which no one could have seen coming. Many members dropped out for different reasons or were forcibly removed.

Mr. Saylor stated that he is confident we will be able to grow the chapter more in the new year.

7:23PM

Vote to adjourn the meeting

Motion: Joseph Walters

Second: Alexander Ekker-Runde

7:24PM

Meeting adjourned.