

**A Resolution of the Washington County Democratic Central
Committee
Resolution # 2019-006
Regarding Amendments to the 2020 WCDCC Platform**

- A. Whereas Washington County policy activists held a Platform Convention on October 6, 2019, and
- B. Whereas a Platform consisting of 9 Articles and 128 Planks was duly adopted by the Convention at the close of the Convention on October 6, 2019, and
- C. Whereas it is in the interests of the Washington County Democratic Central Committee (WCDCC) to make this Platform as accurate and precise as possible and to reflect our values and guide our interactions with our elected officials for the period 2020 through 2021 until the next Platform Convention, and
- D. Whereas amendments to this Platform are allowed, according to WCDCC Special Rule #9, as early as the Central Committee meeting in January, 2020:

THEREFORE we, the WCDCC Resolve as follows:

1. The title of the of the adopted “2019 WCDCC Platform - Draft Final Version” shall be changed to “2020-2021 WCDCC Platform - Final” and the adoption date shall be changed from “10/08/2019 “ to “10/06/2019”.
2. The following “scriveners” changes are adopted:
 - Article II Economic Justice/ The Economy - Preamble - delete the word “guarantees” as contextually redundant with “provides
 - Article I Civil Right/ Sanctuary - Plank 19 - delete this Plank since the wording is almost identical to that in Article II Plank 10 - also, the term “equitable standard of living” is better than “minimum standard of living”.
 - Article IV - Education- Plank 8 - modify this to read “We support fact-based education in *all fact-based subjects* at all levels, since “fact based” may not apply to the arts
 - Article IV Plank 10 - the use of plurals is incorrect...change “identify” to “*identifies*” since the subject is “feedback” not “teachers”, and put the phrase “to classroom teachers” at the end of the sentence
 - Article V Plank 14 - delete this Plank as essentially redundant to Planks 8 and 9
 - Article VII Sustainability - Plank 12 - 2nd line - the word “in” should be replaced by “*that*” to be correct from a syntax standpoint.

4. Article IV - Plank 13 - replace the phrase “no student should fear gun violence” with “no one should fear gun violence” so that it covers all those involved in the educational arena as well as the community at large
5. Modify Article IV - Plank 15 which states that “all students” should receive “free transportation” to read “*We believe quality, safe, and free transportation should be provided for all K-12 public school students.*”
6. Modify Article V - A Just Legal System - Plank 2 currently states that prosecutorial misconduct “...should result in criminal penalties...” - change this to read “*and should allow for criminal penalties, legal mitigation, compensation, and/or restoration to victims*”.
7. Modify Article V - A Just Legal System - Plank 5 - which currently reads “...neither police...” to say “*neither local law enforcement*”...since “police” doesn’t necessarily include sheriffs and game officers.
8. Modify Article V - A Just Legal System - Plank 11 currently specifies that inmates should receive the “same” quality of health care as the “general public” to read...“*inmates should receive health care at least equivalent to Basic Medicaid/Medicare.*” since much of the “general public” currently has inadequate health care.
9. Modify Article IX - Global Responsibilities - Plank 20 regarding drinking water to read “*We believe all people worldwide have a right to clean public drinking water and we support efforts at all levels to accomplish this goal.*” - since a) in many cases there is no infrastructure, b) this principle should apply to more than schools.

Resolution submitted 11/24/2019: G Rosenthal, R&PC Chair, Amended by R&PC, December 3, 2019 with a DO PASS recommendation.