

At the request of the new Direct Action workgroup,

Amend Bylaws Article 13, Section 1, adding 'Direct Action' to the list

Amend the Bylaws Article 13, Section 4, adding a new #9 (and making the current #9 a #10):

The Direct Action Workgroup Chair shall:

- a. Organize volunteers to plan or attend non-fundraising direct action events, such as protests
- b. Organize volunteers to attend civic meetings, such as city council meetings, county commission meetings, representative town halls, and state legislature testimony sessions
- c. Work with the Communications Workgroup on the advertising and media interfacing for organized events
- d. Coordinate with the Office workgroup for mutual aid activities, such as food drives or other donation drives.
- e. Work with other, non-party organizations that align with our values to organize or attend events

This bylaws change establishes the Direct Action workgroup, adding it to our bylaws as a standing workgroup committee. This workgroup has been extremely active in the last two months, planning protests and activating democrats to get out and protest trump's actions. It's a highly engaged group, and has already mobilized a few thousand folks.

The rules proposed are very straightforward, simply adding a new workgroup and ensuring that it doesn't step on the toes of any other workgroup we have, such as Outreach and Finance. It also provides guidelines to ensure that the Direct Action workgroup is communicating through our Communications committee, to make sure our message is unified and has reach.

The Rules Committee forwards this bylaws change with a Do Pass recommendation.