

**DEMOCRATIC WOMEN OF ERIE COUNTY  
STANDING RULES**

1. Membership dues shall be: Regular - \$15.00, Senior (62 and over) - \$10.00 and Associate (men) - \$15.00.
2. The Treasurer shall disburse a donation of \$40.00 to deceased member's favorite charity.
3. All officers, on expiration of their elected/appointed term, shall deliver records, papers, or property of the organization to their successor in office.
4. All special events/dinners shall be the 3rd Monday of the month.
5. Any cancellations of special events/dinners shall be approved by the membership with a majority vote of members present.
6. Members will not be billed for regular monthly meeting reservations when cancelled at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.
7. Only elected officers and appointed committee chairs are authorized to make expenditures for our organization.
  - (a.) All expenditures in excess of \$50.00 shall be pre-approved by the Executive Board.
  - (b.) Members-at-Large may make purchases only by authorization of the Executive Board.
  - (c.) Exception shall be postage stamps for mailings.
8. All monies collected for the organization shall be given to the Treasurer and shall not be used to purchase supplies.
9. All receipts shall have date, name, event and amount for reimbursement from the Treasurer.
10. The Dorothy Deering Scholarship as well as other scholarships will be awarded yearly and the amount determined by the Executive Board, with membership approval.
11. Any Democratic Candidate running in a partisan election as a Democratic, in good standing with the Democratic Party may receive a donation from the Democratic Women of Erie County (“DWEC”).
  - (a.) Candidate must be opposed and donation shall be for the General Election.
  - (b.) The DWEC’s checking account balance shall be \$1,500.00. (including outstanding checks) before monies can be donated to a Democratic candidate.
  - (c.) The donation given to each candidate will depend on the number of Democratic candidates running in the General Election and is subject to membership approval.
12. Any member of the DWEC who is a candidate for a non-partisan election, in good standing with the Democratic Party may receive a donation from the DWEC.
  - (a.) Candidate must be opposed and donation shall be for the General Election.
  - (b.) The DWEC’s checking account balance shall be \$1,500.00 (including outstanding checks) before monies can be donated to a Democratic candidate running for a nonpartisan office.
  - (c.) The donation given to each candidate will depend on the number of members of the DWEC running for nonpartisan offices in the General Election and is subject to membership approval.
13. The Christmas Committee shall be allotted \$100.00 for needed supplies.
14. All issues to be reviewed by the membership shall be circulated in writing seven days before the meeting at which such issues are to be voted upon by the membership.

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