

## NEWS RELEASE



# Democratic Party Appoints New Member

*Okaloosa Democratic Executive Committee names Tom McAuliffe*

April 30, 2018, Fort Walton Beach, FL. — The Okaloosa Democratic Party announced today that local activist Tom McAuliffe has been appointed a Member at Large of the Democratic Executive Committee which helps steer the local party.

“Tom brings significant previous political experience to the table having worked at both the Hawaii State Legislature and in the media,” said Democratic Executive Chair John Whitley. “While working in Hawaii he establish a website called ‘HawaiiVotes’ to help citizens monitor votes and measures at the State level and he helped write a new law leading to the state establishing a searchable online transparency database of State expenditures. He are excited to have Tom join our team!”

A US Navy veteran, broadcaster and writer McAuliffe is ready, willing and able. “Democrats in Northwest Florida are more excited than ever and getting pumped up for the fall election season. Its an exciting time in the local party with a new Headquarters on Eglin Parkway in Shalimar, a redesigned web site, new Newsletter and Facebook page and the best is yet to come,” said McAuliffe. “I hope my previous political experience both in serving and in campaigns can help get our ideas discussed and explored so that local people can have a full discussion of the issues from all points of view before they vote.”

As noted in its purpose statement, 'the Democratic Party of Florida stands for encouraging voter registration without discrimination, and meaningful participation in our democracy by all citizens'. To this end, the local party will be registering voters and encouraging citizens to sign the candidate petitions required to get Candidates to get on the ballot.

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*<CAPTION> New Democratic Executive Committee Member Tom McAuliffe will be helping with Media and Public Relations for the Okaloosa County Democratic Party.*

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