

**Democratic Party of Washington County**  
**Central Committee – Minutes of the April 25, 2018 Meeting**  
**Held at PCC Willow Creek – 241 SW Edgeway Dr., Hillsboro, OR 97006**

**6:30 – Special Guest Speaker:** Before the meeting was called to order, Daniel Lewkow from the American Civil Liberties Union presented on the topic of district attorney accountability.

**7:00 – Call to Order:** Chair Louise Currin called the meeting to order. Secretary Patrick Maguire recorded the minutes. Central Committee members were present as indicated in the attendance log, and a quorum was found to be present. **Agenda:** Barbara Glazer moved to amend the prepared agenda to add an item under new business to amend something previously adopted in the Washington County Platform. After discussion, Will Hobbs moved to end debate. The motion to end debate passed. The motion to amend the agenda passed with 45 YES and 25 NO votes. The prepared agenda was then adopted as amended. **Special Updates:** The Secretary provided a brief update on the PCCC National Candidate Training program he recently attended in Washington D.C. Then IT committee chair Natalia Zhang provided an update on the malfunctioning website, indicating it would be restored to service the next day. **Minutes:** March 28, 2018 Central Committee meeting minutes were approved as presented. **Introductions:** New guests were invited to introduce themselves. Elected officials present were Elizabeth Steiner Hayward, Chuck Riley, Wendy Kroger, John Hutzler, Joelle Davis, Felicita Montebianco, and Kyle Allen. Candidates for elected office present were Steve Burke, Todd Huegli, Kimberly Culbertson, and Dana Carstenson.

**7:30 – Officer, Committee, Caucus, Delegation, and Field Director Reports:**

- **The Treasurer** presented a report that included key financial information. Bank balances were: *Membership Savings* \$3,987.25; *Business Savings (Karen Schouten Fund)* \$1,748.67; *Business Checking* \$36,451.14; *Total* \$42,187.06. *Incoming Blue Horizon Donations* in the past month were \$3,665.14. *Total Receivables* for the past month were \$6,595.41. *Total Expenditures* for the past month were \$7,006.22. *Total Blue Horizon Donations* to date were \$10,980.59. The Treasurer also provided updates regarding the Springfest fundraisers as follows: *Gross income* \$14,841.50; *Net income* \$11,352.48.
- **Office Committee** – Sarah Harris reported that the office committee is seeking office volunteers.
- **Training and Education Committee** – Nancy Lewis reported that the training committee has scheduled training classes for the first Saturday of each even-numbered month.
- **Finance Committee** – Linda Erickson reported on the upcoming Hillsboro Hops fundraiser event for which tickets are now on sale. The summer picnic event is also being held soon.
- **Resolutions and Platform Committee** – Jeremy Likens reported that an advocacy subcommittee has been formed to advocate for implementation of the recently-adopted legislative action items.
- **SCC Delegation Chair Election** – The Chair requested that all State Central Committee delegates retire to a secondary room to conduct a vote for delegation chair. First Vice Chair Will Hobbs began temporarily chairing the meeting to allow Ms. Currin to participate in the SCC election process.
- **Communications Committee** – Martita Meier reported that the communications committee has been using paid Facebook advertising to share information about the county party events and fundraisers. Ms. Meier also reported on ways to participate in communication efforts to increase activism and electoral success.

- **Community Outreach Committee** – Ms. Currin returned from the SCC delegate election and resumed serving as chair. The Chair announced the resignation of the chair of the outreach committee. The Chair also announced that the Multnomah County Democrats have invited our county party to participate with them in the Pride Parade in June.
- **Information Technology Committee** – Natalia Zhang reported that efforts to finalize construction of the website are continuing.
- **Young Democrats Committee** – Gabe Mendez reported that the Young Democrats recently met at the Beaverton Voter Forum and continue election-related activities.
- **Latinx Outreach Committee** – Wlnsvey Campos reported that the Latinx Outreach Committee is creating outreach plans at events and on social media.
- **First Congressional District Committee Delegation** – Keith Haxton reported that Congresswoman Bonamici recently took questions at a CD1 meeting and the committee has passed a budget.
- **Black Caucus** – Amelia Manlove reported that the Black Caucus will meet this month.
- **Progressive Caucus** – Keith Haxton reported that the caucus adopted ranked-choice voting as their issue campaign.
- **Field Director** – Carl Fisher reported that the party is over halfway toward the goal of activating 500 neighborhood leaders for the May election.

#### 8:00 – New Business:

- **Rules Changes** – On behalf of the rules committee, Dan Jensen recommended and moved a standing rule change related to Central Committee meeting minutes (SR 2018-016). The motion passed. The text of the standing rule as amended is appended to these minutes. On behalf of the rules committee, Dan Jensen then recommended and moved adoption of a special rule of order related to Central Committee meeting procedures (SRO 2018-006). The motion passed. The text of the special rule of order as approved is appended to these minutes.
- **State Central Committee Alternate Delegate Election** – Dan Jensen moved to elect by acclamation Jon McWilliams as an alternate delegate to the State Central Committee. The motion passed.
- **First Congressional District Committee Alternate Delegate Election** – Dan Jensen moved to elect by acclamation Ermine Todd as an alternate delegate to the First Congressional District Committee. The motion passed.
- **Amending the Platform** – Barbara Glazer moved to amend the previously-adopted county platform by deleting Plank 1 of Article 10. After discussion, Dan Jensen moved to postpone consideration of this item until the next monthly meeting and instruct the chair to appoint a special committee to propose alternate language for the platform. Flo Glatt moved to end debate on the motion to postpone. The motion to end debate passed. The motion to postpone failed. The Chair announced that by unanimous consent non-members would be allowed to speak in the debate. Linda Erickson moved to end debate. The motion to end debate passed. The main motion to amend the platform required a two-thirds majority and passed with 52 YES votes and 18 NO votes. Veronica Williams then moved to amend the previously-adopted county platform by adding a new plank in Article 10: “We support non-violent approaches such as boycott, divestiture, and sanctions to promote change in countries perpetuating human rights violations.” The Chair announced that by unanimous consent further debate would be limited to one minute per person. Keith Haxton moved to refer this matter to the resolutions and platform committee. The Chair ruled the motion out of order. Keith Haxton appealed from the ruling of the chair. The ruling of the chair was sustained with 39 votes to sustain and 27 votes to overturn. Michael Neff moved to amend the proposed platform amendment. The Chair ruled

the motion out of order. Flo Glatt moved to end debate. The motion to end debate passed. The main motion to amend the platform required a two-thirds majority and passed with 44 YES and 12 NO votes.

**9:17 – Adjournment:** Kathryn Harrington moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 pm.

*Please feel free to contact Patrick Maguire at [secretary@washcodems.org](mailto:secretary@washcodems.org) with any questions about these minutes.*

## **Appendix 1: Text of Rule Change**

### SR 2018-016 CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES: Adopted 10/25/2006, Amended 1/22/14

1. To ensure accuracy in the official minutes of Central Committee meetings, the Secretary shall promote careful reading of the draft minutes by posting the draft minutes on the ~~Members~~ PCP section of the website at least 6 days before the Central Committee meeting at which they are to be adopted.
2. Minutes which have been revised based upon the input received shall be available in print ~~format~~ at the Central Committee meeting at which they are to be adopted.
3. Approved minutes must be publically available on the website and in a book of minutes in the office.

## **Appendix 2: Text of Special Rule of Order**

### SRO 2018-006 General Meeting Procedures for the Central Committee

Add Special Rule of Order:

1. The Washington County Democrats operate according to the adopted bylaws, special rules of order, standing rules, and the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order
2. All members shall be credentialed in order to speak and vote.
3. Members shall follow decorum. Decorum will be enforced by the Chair, and includes at least the following:
  - a. Address all remarks through the Chair, not to another member;
  - b. Confine all remarks to the merits of the pending motion;
  - c. Refrain from verbally attacking another member;
  - d. Avoid the use of members' names;
  - e. Refrain from speaking adversely on a prior action not pending;
  - f. Refrain from speaking against one's own motion; and
  - g. Refrain from disturbing the assembly.
    - i. Taking side conversations outside of the room is encouraged.
4. All members of the Central Committee are encouraged to read the information provided, research and ask questions in order to understand each issue prior to the meeting.
5. Committee reports to the CC shall include their recent activities and will indicate any motions that will follow in the new business section of the agenda. The Resolutions report may include introduction of new Resolutions to be voted on in a future meeting.
6. Discussion/debate will only be in order once a motion is before the body. Exceptions include Q&A with an invited speaker or during forums.
7. A member shall move to a microphone to make a motion or to speak in debate and wait to be recognized by the Chair, with the exception of those motions which are in order when another has the floor.
8. Main motions and any amendments thereto must be in writing and turned in to the Chair with a copy for the Secretary, with exceptions allowed by the Chair or body for simple motions. Motions will not be turned away due to lack of time to write them down.

9. Once a second has been made, if needed, the Chair shall state the motion clearly before debate begins.
10. All debatable motions shall be given proper pause to allow for any debate or allowable secondary motions.
11. Speeches in debate shall be limited to 120 seconds per speech.
12. A motion to call the question is out of order until after both 3 speakers for and 3 speakers against have spoken, or when one side no longer has anyone wishing to speak.
13. The motion will be read once more prior to voting on the motion.
14. Voting cards may be used to vote on a motion.
15. After voting, the chair will announce the results of the vote and its effect. If a counted vote is taken the number will be announced.
16. A question/point of privilege is generally for the purpose of fixing something which is causing the member difficulty in participating in the meeting, such as requesting the temperature be turned up, or a door closed as there is too much noise in the hall, etc. It does not provide license to simply speak one's mind.
17. If a member is unsure of proper procedure, how to make or phrase a motion, or has some other pertinent question of the Chair, they may interject with a "Point of Information" and ask the Chair their question.