

Washington County Democrats
Minutes of Central Committee Meeting, October 25th, 2017
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Meeting Called to Order by Chair Louise Currin at 7:00 PM

- Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lisa Allen, Hillsboro School Board Chair
- Dan Jensen moved to amend to the agenda so the guest speaker spoke after new business. Questions were asked of the maker of the motion. There was discussion. Voice vote was unclear. Show of cards was called for. Motion to amend failed 24 to 25. *Motion to accept the Agenda was approved.*
- *Minutes of the September 2017 Central Committee meeting were approved.*
- **Introductions:** First-Time Visitors introduced themselves. Officials introduced themselves. Candidates introduced themselves.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Current Bank Balance: Membership Savings \$3, 986.26
Business Saving \$2,548. 20; Business Checking \$ 24,586.46; Blue Horizon Sept \$1, 360; Total September 2017 Receivables \$3927.65; Total September 2017 Expenditures \$4882.
- **Special Announcement** – Lisa Allen and Martin Granum for Hillsboro School Bond. The Hillsboro School District Board of Directors has voted to place a \$408 million capital construction bond on the November 2017 ballot. The bond would prioritize safety and security, update and repair aging school buildings, address overcrowding while planning for future growth, and provide a modern education for students. The bond would renew the existing tax rate of \$2.24/\$1000 assessed value and would not increase the current property tax rate.
- 7:15pm Featured Speaker - Dr. Calvin Henry, President of the Oregon Assembly for Black Affairs

7:45pm Committee Reports

- **Finance – Linda Erickson, Chair + Bobbi Wolfe of the Blue Horizon Fund.** The office is used daily and we need to sustain our efforts. A pitch to go the website was made. **Linda Erickson and Volunteers for the Neuberger Banquet.** If individuals can't come to the Neuberger buy tickets for 50-50 raffle.
- **Campaign/Field Director – Carl Fisher** reported that we have joined the coalition for measure 101. Vote YES to affirm the law the legislature passed. "Meet and Greets" in your home. There will be training on Nov 9. We plan to send holiday cards and insert a tidbit about the election. Ballots drop on Jan 3, 2018.
- **IT – Natalia Zhang, chair** reported for the committee; 1. We took a survey, to which 20 people responded. 2. The respondents use the front page, the calendar, the by-laws, and the CC meeting details most; 3. There were a lot of suggestions for content that they would like to see. We're going to focus on a restricted set of suggestions including: better organization, news about our county politics, more information about how to get involved (volunteering + direct action); 4. We've reorganized the existing website, and now we're waiting for the DPO as we start the design phase. 5. We're continuing to take questions, suggestions, and concerns at it_chair@washcodems.org
- **Resolutions & Platform – Gerritt Rosenthal, chair** reported that the platform convention, Session 1, will be November 11 at OEA headquarters Portland - 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM. We will develop Washington County Platform issues and legislative action goals and ideas. A separate

session will be held in January to adopt the County Platform as well as guide our input for the State platform Convention in March. There will be break-out groups dealing with a variety of topic.

- **Training and Education – Nancy Lewis, chair** reported that there will be classes offered as follows: Parliamentary Procedure Sunday October 29, 2:00 Hillsboro office; Speaking for the reticent, Monday, January 8, 7:00 Hillsboro office; WashCo Dems 101, Saturday, February 3, 9:00 AM to noon. Place to be announced.
- **Communications – Sorah Dubitsky, chair** reported that their strategy is to provide rapid response on a variety of platforms to breaking news. And provide talking points for members to use. They are looking for folks who wish to help.
- **State Central Committee Delegation, chair – Sal Castaneda, chair** reported that the next meeting of the State Central Committee will be Sat Nov 18 and 19 at Floyd Light middle school. Bring water bottles for kids. If you wish to attend please respond to email. There are two amendments which will be voted on: 1. Each county will send in copy of bylaws 2. The full text of resolutions be made available to chairs and leaders 45 days before the meeting.
- **CD 1 Delegation – Keith Haxton, chair** reported perfect attendance of our delegation to Congressional District meetings has been perfect this year. However we have 3 slots 2 for Males and 1 for women missing that need to be filled. At the last meeting we voted in favor of resolution to open the Dem primary to non affiliated voters.
- **Young Democrats – Gabe Mendez, chair** reported that they passed an in-committee resolution for the Platform Convention Standing Rules. Gabe then motioned to have the CC adopt those standing rules for the platform convention. There was discussion as to whether he could make a motion at this time. Louise ruled it was appropriate and placed it before the group. Gerritt from Resolutions & Platform motioned that it be sent to the Rules Committee along with other ideas about standing rules to be reviewed. Motion to refer to the Rules Committee passed.

Caucus Reports

- **Black American Caucus – Glendora Claybrooks, chair** reported that everyone is invited to join their next meeting, that take place Thursday, November 16, 7:00 at the Hillsboro office.
- **Progressive Caucus – Jolene Guptill**, interim chair reported that their next meeting is every 4th Tuesday on Nov 28 at WashCo Dems office in Hillsboro
- **Women's caucus – Corliss Carleton, speaking on behalf of chair, Sarah Harris**, reported that their next meeting will take place November 9 at the Dems Hillsboro there will be a meet and greet.

Point of personal privilege from Barbara Glazer, PCP spoke about the elephant in the room. There is a disagreement between the younger progressive and the older folks about how we run this organization. We have had and will have the same difficulty at each meeting unless we resolve this problem. She indicated she is tired of it and wants it to stop.

Continuing Business

- Branding Survey Results – Chrissy Erguiza reported the results for the new logo was shown, it was approved by The Ex Board at their meeting last week. So we have adopted the new logo and are sharing it with the Central Committee.
- *2nd Reading: Resolution #2017-054 relating to Privacy Protection for Broadband ISP Customers.* Gerritt Rosenthal moved adoption of second reading resolutions Regarding Support for a Free and Open Internet with Title II Protections. Net neutrality is supported by Our Senators and Congresswoman . If this passes we will forward this to all elected members of the legislature and to the Senators and Congresswoman and we will take it to DPO. A Vote was taken: Motion carried unanimously.
- *First Reading: Resolution #2017-055 In the Support of Immigrant Youth of the DREAM Act of 2017.* The DPO Asian American & Pacific Islander DPO Caucus and other Constituent Caucuses submit a resolution in response to Trump getting rid of immigrant children . There were no questions.
- *First Reading: Resolution # 2017-057 To Open the 2018 Oregon Democratic Primary Election to Non-Affiliated Voters (NAVs).* Open Primary elections to all non-aligned voters in 2018. CD 1 passed. Urged DPO to adopt this. There is 90 day requirement to notify Secretary of State. There were no questions.

New Business

- **Elections – Alice Bartelt, Parliamentarian**
 - **The office of Secretary** is vacant. A call for candidates went out last month. The floor was open for nominations. There were no additional nominations from the floor. Patrick Maguire was the only declared candidate. It was moved by Linda Erickson to accept Patrick by acclamation. Motion passed.
 - **Male alternate for state central committee** is vacant. A call for candidates went out last month. The floor was open for nominations. There were no additional nominations from the floor. Will Hobbs was the only declared candidate who has expressed an interest. A call for a motion by acclamation was made by various voices. Motion passed.
- **Lisa Stiller Moved that Washing County Dems go on record in support of measure 101.** Motion passed.
- **Jeremy Liken moved to adopt the Standing Rules for the Platform Convention that he and Dan Jensen prepared and dispersed to CC Members.** There was debate and questions. The motion was voted on and failed. The rules committee agreed to take this motion under consideration when they discuss the the Young Democrats Resolution regarding the Platform Convention.

New Precinct Committee Persons

The following people have turned in forms to be appointed: David Coburn, Chris Davis, Joelle Davis, Rachel Gowland, Devin Hunter, Vanessa Mari Castañeda, Khadijeh Mehrnoosh, Susan Howell, Salvador Castaneda Jr., Elidia Castañeda. Vote to accept these new PCP passed.

9:15 PM. Meeting adjourned. Chair Louise Currin. *Nancy Lewis, Interim Secretary; Revised by Chrissy Erguiza, Second vice chair*