

## Washington County Democratic Central Committee

### Minutes of the September 26, 2018 Regular Meeting

Hillsboro Brookwood Library – 2850 NE Brookwood Pkwy; Hillsboro, OR 97124

#### 6:50 PM – Special Guest Speaker:

- **Ballot Measure 106** – Before the meeting was called to order, an invited campaign representative spoke on the topic of opposing Ballot Measure 106.

#### 6:58 PM – Meeting Opening:

- **Call to Order** – Chair Louise Currin called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m. 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** – Dan Jensen moved to reorder an agenda item related to nominations and the motion passed. Lisa Stiller moved to add an item under new business related to Palestine and the motion passed. Carol Greenough moved to add an item under new business related to Tigard-Tualatin school levy and the motion passed. Alex Clemens moved to add an item under new business related to the pledge of allegiance, and the motion failed. The prepared agenda was then approved with those changes.
- **Introductions** – New members and guests were invited to introduce themselves. Elected officials present were Kathryn Harrington and Frank Bubenik. Other candidates for elected office present were Devin Downeysmith and Bridget Brooks.
- **Minutes** – Minutes of the August 22, 2018 meeting of the Central Committee were approved as presented.

#### 7:10 PM – Officer, Committee, Caucus, Delegation, and Field Director Updates:

- **Treasurer** – Veronica Williams presented a report that included key financial information. Bank balances were: *Membership Savings* \$7,818.29; *Business Savings (Karen Schouten Fund)* \$1,549.02; and *Business Checking* \$30,991.18; for a *Total* of \$40,358.49. *Incoming Blue Horizon Donations* in the past month were \$1,543.14. *Total Receivables* for the past month were \$5,891.89. *Total Expenditures* for the past month were \$8,796.64. *Total Blue Horizon Donations* to date were \$19,360.70. Membership savings included \$7,080.00 held in reserve to pay already-incurred meeting space rental cost. Ms. Williams then provided general remarks on the budget. The Chair then announced the addition of a report on election integrity by Bill Gallup to the agenda under new business.
- **Credentials Committee** – Chrissy Erguiza reported that there were 565 precinct committeepersons on the records of the county clerk.
- **Volunteer of the Month** – The chair announced Rich Siegel as volunteer of the month in recognition of his communication and IT work and presented him with a certificate of appreciation.
- **Nominating Committee Elections** – Dan Jensen conducted an election for two members of the nominating committee in relation to the upcoming organizational meeting. Alex Clemens nominated Rosa Colquitt. Garrett Fleenor nominated himself. Veronica Williams nominated Lisa Stiller. After counting, the chair announced that Lisa Stiller and Gerritt Fleenor were elected to the nomination committee. Full ballot results are appended to these minutes.
- **Endorsement Committee** – Shabba Woodley introduced Devin Downeysmith, a candidate for Forest Grove City Council. After the candidate spoke, Mr. Woodley moved the endorsement of Ms. Downeysmith, and the motion passed. Mr. Woodley then introduced Bridget Brooks, a candidate for Tualatin City Council. After the candidate spoke, Mr. Woodley moved the endorsement of Ms. Brooks, and the motion passed. Mr. Woodley then introduced Frank Bubenik, a candidate for Mayor of Tualatin. After the candidate spoke, Mr. Woodley moved the endorsement of Mr. Bubenik, and the motion passed.
- **Consent Calendar** – Dan Jensen presented a consent calendar. After removing some items, the following were agreed by unanimous consent: PCP List Requests (SR 2018-030), Election of Delegates and Alternates (SR & SRO 2018-039), Calling Special Meetings of the Executive Board (BL 2018-033), Assigning Appointed PCPs (SR 2018-021), SCC and CD1 Delegates & Alternates (BL 2018-028), and Authorization for Signage at Events and Swag Sales (SR 2018-029). The text of these items is appended to these minutes.

- **Community Outreach Committee** – Laura Wadlin reported on recent parade appearances. Ms. Wadlin introduced Janice Karpenick, who moved that the Washington County Democrats become a member of the Health Care for All Oregon coalition, and the motion passed.
- **Communications Committee** – Martita Meier reported on efforts to feature endorsed candidates on the party website and write articles and content for that website.
- **Finance Committee** – Linda Erickson introduced Bobbi Wolf, who spoke on the importance of the Blue Horizon monthly contribution program. Ms. Erickson then reported on the upcoming Neuberger Gala fundraiser. Entertainment is planned, Oregon Governor Kate Brown will speak along with other elected officials, and vacation packages will be sold at auction.
- **Resolutions and Platform Committee** – Jeremy Likens updated members on the work of this committee.
  - **New Resolutions** – Jeremy Likens introduced on behalf of the Resolutions and Platform Committee *“Regarding Washington County Sheriffs’ use of Amazon.com’s ‘Rekognition’ Facial Recognition Program”* (RPC 2018-014); *“A Resolution Supporting the Accountable Capitalism Act (Particularly the Codetermination Model)”* (RPC 2018-017); *“A Revision of the Resolution Supporting Health Care for All Oregonians (HCAO)”* (RPC 2018-018); *“Regarding Leadership and Ineffective Handling of Sexual Harassment Complaints in the Oregon Legislature”* (RPC 2018-021). These resolutions will be scheduled for a vote on final passage at the next Central Committee meeting.
  - **Resolution titled “Expansion of the Metro Council”** – On behalf of this committee, Jeremy Likens moved adoption of RPC 2018-004. Will Hobbs moved that this be referred back to committee and presented to the central committee next month. After discussion, the motion to refer to committee passed with 57 YES and 43 NO votes.
- **Rules Committee** – Dan Jensen updated members on the activities of this committee.
  - **Bylaw Change titled “Parliamentarian”** – On behalf of this committee, Dan Jensen moved adoption of BL 2018-035. Paul Erickson moved to change the title of the new bylaw article to “Advisory Positions”. Keith Haxton raised a point of order that the motion was out of order because additions to bylaw changes violated notice requirements. The chair ruled the motion was in order because it was within the scope of the notice. Keith Haxton appealed from the ruling of the chair, and the ruling was sustained. After discussion, the amendment passed. The bylaw change then passed, and the text as adopted is appended to these minutes.
  - **Bylaw Change titled “Treasurer and Budget Committee Chair Separation”** – On behalf of this committee, Dan Jensen moved adoption of BL 2018-024. Dan Neill moved to return this proposal back to committee, and after discussion the motion passed.
  - **Bylaw Change titled “House District Leaders”** – On behalf of this committee, Dan Jensen moved adoption of BL 2018-031. A member moved to adjourn, and that motion failed. Steve Mauer moved to refer this back to committee and suggest that they revise the proposal to allow both appointments and elections of district leaders, and the motion to return to committee passed.
- **Campaign Committee** – Adam Gretzinger reported on the upcoming release of slate cards and other materials for campaigning.
- **Information Technology Committee** – Garrett Fleenor reported on behalf of the committee chair on ways to fight phishing emails and select good passwords.
- **Young Democrats Committee** – Gabe Mendez reported on requests for an apology from County Commissioner Dick Schouten regarding an incident at the past month’s Central Committee meeting.
- **Latinx Outreach Committee** – Wlnsvey Campos reported that this committee is working to oppose Ballot Measure 105. Bilingual canvasses for Kate Brown are planned.
- **Training and Education Committee** – Nancy Lewis reported that this committee is continuing their efforts to train new members in the operations of this committee.
- **Credentials Committee** – Chrissy Erguiza reported that 114 PCPs were present at 8:00 p.m.
- **State Central Committee Delegation** – Jo Six reported that delegates and alternates for this committee will be elected at the organizational meeting on November 17, 2018. Ms. Six presented remarks on the duties and role of delegates.
- **First Congressional District Committee Delegation** – Farrah Chaichi reported that delegates and alternates for this committee will also be selected at the upcoming organizational meeting.

- **Black American Caucus** – Glendora Claybrooks reported that Representative Margaret Doherty will speak at this month’s meeting of this caucus.
- **Progressive Caucus** – Keith Haxton reported that a meeting of this caucus was held this month as usual.
- **Field Director** – Carl Fisher reported that slate cards will be out soon, and there are 300 active neighborhood leaders.

**9:16 PM – New Business:**

- **Precinct Committeeperson Selection** – Patrick Maguire moved that the rules be suspended to allow the Secretary to immediately move for the selection of new PCPs, and the suspension motion passed. Mr. Maguire then moved the Committee select Valerie Black, Satya Ping, Ashley Hartmeier Prigg, and Megan Rutherford to fill vacancies in the office of precinct committeeperson. The motion passed.
- **Adjournment** – Adam Gretzinger moved to adjourn, and the motion failed.
- **Tigard-Tualatin School Levy** – Carol Greenough moved that the Committee support the Tigard-Tualatin School Levy, and the motion passed.
- **Statement on Aid to Palestine** – Lisa Stiller moved that the Committee support a statement related to Palestinian assistance. Kyle Martin moved to refer this to the resolutions committee, and the motion failed. The main motion then passed, and a copy of the statement is appended to these minutes.
- **Adjournment** – The chair declared the meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

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**Patrick Maguire, Secretary**

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**Date Approved**

Please contact [secretary@washcodems.org](mailto:secretary@washcodems.org) with any questions about these minutes.

## Appendix 1: Election Results

### First Vacancy:

ROUND →	1	2
Lisa Stiller	46	65
Garrett Fleenor	40	50
Rosa Colquitt	29	—
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>115</b>
Total Exhausted Ballots	—	—

### Second Vacancy:

ROUND →	1	2
Lisa Stiller	46	—
Garrett Fleenor	40	72
Rosa Colquitt	29	42
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>114</b>
Total Exhausted Ballots	—	1

## Appendix 2: Consent Calendar Items

### SR 2018-030 PCP List Requests

New: **STANDING RULE # --**

#### **DISTRIBUTION OF PCP CONFIDENTIAL CONTACT INFORMATION**

The name and physical address of PCP's is public information. Email addresses and phone numbers for PCP's that have been collected in party databases may be requested from the party for legitimate purposes related to internal party business.

Email addresses and phone numbers of PCP's shall be provided to all declared and eligible candidates for internal party elections at least two months prior to such elections.

Any person requesting this contact information shall submit a request form to the party secretary. Considering whether the use is legitimate, the secretary shall approve the request and provide the information or deny the request. The secretary shall inform the executive board of approved and denied requests. If a request is denied, the executive board may vote to overturn the decision of the secretary.

Instead of providing individual email addresses to persons approved under the above procedure, the secretary may provide a listserv for communication with all party-collected PCP email addresses.

A statement shall be included on party forms requesting email addresses and phone numbers from party members advising them that their information may be shared in these ways.

[form follows]

#### **REQUEST FOR PCP CONTACT INFORMATION**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for Request: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Date when list is needed: \_\_\_\_\_

**By signing this form, I attest that I will not share the PCP list or give any contact information contained thereon to anyone. All contact information is confidential.**

Requestee Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit request form to [Secretary@washcodems.org](mailto:Secretary@washcodems.org)

<input type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Denied
Secretary	Date: _____
<b>If Denied, explain:</b>	
Executive Board Override	Date: _____

**SR, & SRO 2018-039 Election of Delegates and Alternates**

**Article VII Section 1 of the WCDCC bylaws has been changed as follows to concur with the DPO Bylaws:**

ARTICLE VII                      ELECTED POSITIONS

Section 1:            Eligibility  
Delegates and alternates to the State Democratic Central Committee and to the First Congressional District Democratic Committee shall be PCPs **Washington County residents and registered as Democrats for no less than 180 days, except any person whose 18th birthday falls within the period of 180 days.**

**SR 2018-039 Election of Delegates and Alternates**

**STANDING RULE #5:**

**DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES**

a. **ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO THE STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE (SCC):**  
Adopted 10/25/2006, Amended 1/22/2014, Amended 4/26/2017, Amended 8/23/2017

1. Delegates and alternate delegates will be elected to the SCC at the organizational meeting.

2. The number of delegates elected will be equal to the number of Democrats in Washington County registered on the day of the primary election, divided by 15,000. If the remaining number exceeds 7500, one additional delegate shall be elected. An equal number of alternates shall be elected.
3. The Chair of the Washington County Central Committee is an automatic member of the delegation, filling one of the delegate positions.
4. ~~Delegates, or in case of an odd number, the delegates and the first alternate, shall consist of an equal number of men and women.~~
5. ~~Remaining alternates shall be listed in rank order of replacement preference with each successive two alternates consisting of one man and one woman.~~
6. ~~Voting will be accomplished by either the single ballot method or the proportional voting method. If the number of PCPs sufficient to elect a delegate requests proportional voting, the proportional voting method shall be used.~~
7. Vacancies in the delegation will be filled from the alternate's list, first by gender followed by rank order. The gender of the position vacated will determine which alternate delegate assumes the position.
8. Vacancies on the list of alternates will be filled by elections at subsequent meetings. Existing alternates will move up by gender to fill openings in the pairing of alternates, with vacancies created filled by gender and election rank order.
9. Vote totals, by candidate, must be maintained and recorded in the minutes of the meeting.
10. At the first Central Committee meeting following the organizational meeting, only the delegates-elect, and not the alternates, shall meet and select a Chair from among the delegate members. The Rules Committee will run this election.

**b. ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO THE FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE (CD1):**

Adopted 10/25/2006, Amended 1/22/2014, Amended 4/26/2017, Amended 8/23/2017

1. Delegates and alternate delegates will be elected to CD1 at the organizational meeting.
2. The number of delegates elected will be equal to the number of Democrats in Washington County registered on the day of the primary election, divided by 15,000. If the remaining number exceeds 7500, one additional delegate shall be elected. An equal number of alternates shall be elected.
3. ~~Voting will be accomplished by either the single ballot method or the proportional voting method. If the number of PCPs sufficient to elect a delegate requests proportional voting, the proportional voting method shall be used. (Note: There are no gender requirements in the CD1 bylaws).~~
4. Vacancies in the delegation will be filled from the alternate's list, first by gender followed by rank order. The gender of the position vacated will determine which alternate delegate assumes the position.
5. Vacancies on the list of alternates will be filled by elections at subsequent meetings. Existing alternates will move up by gender to fill openings in the pairing of alternates, with vacancies created filled by gender and election rank order.
6. Vote totals, by candidate, must be maintained and recorded in the minutes of the meeting.
7. At the first Central Committee meeting following the organizational meeting only the delegates-elect, and not the alternates, shall meet and select a Chair from among the delegate members. The Rules Committee will run this election.

**SRO 2018-039 Election of Delegates and Alternates**

**Remove Existing Special Rule of Order #4:**

**SPECIAL RULE OF ORDER #4:**

**VOTING METHODS FOR ELECTING DELEGATES**

**a. ~~PROPORTIONAL VOTING METHOD:~~**

Adopted 10/25/2006

~~A candidate needs to win a certain proportion of the votes to be elected. This winning fraction of the votes is referred to as "threshold". The threshold is determined by dividing the total number of valid ballots cast by the number of positions to be elected plus one and then adding one to the resulting dividend.~~

The ballots are counted in the following manner:

- 1: The count begins with the sorting of ballots by the first choice shown on each valid ballot. That is the NUMBER 1 vote on each ballot. This is known as the "First Count".
- 2: Any candidates who reach the necessary threshold with Number 1 votes are declared elected. Any extra ballots they receive beyond the threshold are redistributed to the candidates marked next in choice (the number 2 choice) on those surplus ballots.
- 3: The count continues with the elimination of those candidates receiving the least votes in the redistributed count. Their ballots are redistributed to the other candidates according to the next choice marked. After each distribution, the candidate now having the lowest number of votes is eliminated and his/her ballots redistributed to the next indicated choice (number 2, 3, 4 etc.)
- 4: As candidates reach the threshold through the addition of redistributed ballots to their totals, they are declared elected and no further ballots are transferred to them.
- 5: This process continues until all candidates have been eliminated except the required winners.
- 6: In the case of a tie for the last position, the decision will be made with a coin toss.
- 7: In the case of alternate elections, the order of elevation will be based on the order they were declared elected and the votes counted in the election round. In the case of a tie, the order will be determined by a coin toss.

**b. SINGLE BALLOT VOTING METHOD:**

Adopted 10/25/2006

- 1: Each voting delegate will be given a ballot with a space for each of the allowed delegate or alternate positions. A name of a candidate may be written in each of the spaces provide, however a candidate's name can appear only once on a ballot. The ballot can have fewer names than the number of delegate or alternate positions.
- 2: The tally is recorded based on the number of votes and the top vote getters are elected for the available positions.
- 3: In the case of the alternates, the order of listing will be based on the vote count.

**Add New Special Rule of Order #4:**

**ELECTION PROCESS FOR DELEGATES TO THE SCC AND CD1**

The process for electing SCC delegates, SCC alternate delegates, Congressional District Committee delegates, and Congressional District Committee alternate delegates, shall each be as follows:

1. Voters may cast a number of votes up to the number of delegate or alternate delegate positions being elected.
2. The maximum number of votes a voter may cast will be distributed as evenly as possible across the three gender categories: female, male, and non-binary. If one or more gender categories have fewer candidates running than one-third of the available positions, the maximum number of votes which can be cast for the other gender category or categories will be commensurately higher.
3. Voters will be clearly told the maximum number of votes they may cast in each of the three gender categories.
4. The ballot will identify candidates with the gender category they have chosen.
5. After the votes have been tallied, those elected shall be determined as follows:
  - a. Two columns will be created with the total number of positions divided as equally as possible between the two columns.
  - b. In one column, the female candidates receiving the most votes will be placed in order of votes received. In the other column, the same shall be done for male candidates.
  - c. The column with more positions will be chosen first. If both columns have the same number of positions, one of the two columns will be chosen randomly.
  - d. The non-binary candidate who received the most votes who has not yet been assigned to a column will have the number of votes they received compared to the number of votes received by the lowest binary gender candidate in the column chosen. If the non-binary candidate received more votes, their name will replace the binary gender candidate's name in the column.
  - e. Step (d) shall be repeated while alternating the column chosen until there is no longer a non-binary candidate who satisfies the requirement.
  - f. The final list of candidates in the two columns shall be the list of candidates elected.
6. Ties shall be broken by a coin flip.

## BL 2018-033 Calling Special Meetings of the Executive Board

### Amend Article VIII, Section 1

#### ARTICLE VIII COMMITTEES & CAUCUSES

Section 1: The Executive Board:

Shall consist of the current elected officers, the Chair of the State Democratic Central Committee delegates, the Chair of the First Congressional District delegates and the chairs of all standing committees; hold monthly meetings and special meetings as needed; have a quorum when a majority of its members are present; review and make recommendations on all Central Committee officer recall petitions prior to action by the Central Committee; hire paid staff; and conduct all necessary business required between regular meetings of the Central Committee. No officer may be chair of a standing committee. No person shall simultaneously hold more than one officer position, nor chair more than one standing committee, with the exception of the Treasurer who is chair of the Budget Committee and the Second Vice-Chair who is chair of the Credentials Committee. No one person shall be entitled to more than one vote in Executive Board meetings. Where a committee is represented by co-chairs, only one vote may be cast. **Meetings shall be called by the Chair or in their absence or incapacity, by a Vice Chair. Special meetings may be called in the same manner or by five (5) Executive Board Members.**

#### SR 2018-021 Assigning Appointed PCPs

#### **Addition to: STANDING RULE #4**

#### **SELECTION OF PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSONS (PCP):**

**Adopted 10/25/2006, Amended 1/22/2014, Amended 9/27/2017, Corrected 7/4/2018**

1. Vacancies in the office of PCP may be filled at any regular meeting of the Central Committee.
2. Applicants must complete the PCP application form indicating their eligibility and willingness to serve.
3. Applicants must be present and introduced at the Central Committee meeting in which the selection will occur; or have met with a District Leader who will nominate them; or the application may be submitted in person at the office and reviewed by an office volunteer.
4. Applicants must receive a simple majority of the votes cast. All applicants will be voted on as a group unless there is objection.
5. The PCP application form is to be maintained by the Secretary and all changes must be approved by the Central Committee.
6. A District Leader will follow-up with each newly appointed PCP.
7. **If the Central Committee simultaneously elects multiple people to fill vacancies from the same precinct as PCP's, but the number of vacancies is smaller than the number of people elected, the Secretary shall randomly select which applicants are assigned to fill the vacancies in such a precinct, and shall then assign the other applicants to vacancies in adjacent precincts. An exception to random selection is allowed if it would keep all members of a household in the same precinct.**
8. **If a precinct is full, and it is therefore necessary to assign potential PCP's to adjacent precincts, the Secretary shall inform them of their potential choices and allow them to select which precinct they wish to be assigned to. If a response is not received within six days, the Secretary shall assign them to the one that appears nearest to where they are registered to vote. Priority will be given to keeping the potential PCP within the house district where they are registered to vote.**

#### BL 2018-028 SCC & CD1 Delegates & Alternates

**Proposal: Remove Article VI Section 4, b and add to Article VII, Section 3 with amendments to the new section**

#### ARTICLE VI OFFICERS OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

##### Section 4: Term of Office

- a. Central Committee officers shall be elected for a term of two (2) years. The term shall begin at the close of the organizational meeting at which they are elected and end at the close of the next succeeding organizational meeting.



- b. Delegates to the State Central Committee (SCC) and the First Congressional District Committee (1st CD) shall be elected for a term of two (2) years. The term for SCC delegates shall begin on the date they are elected. The term for 1st CD delegates shall begin with the organizational meeting of the 1st CD Committee.

## Article VII ELECTED DELEGATE POSITIONS

### Section 3: Nominations and Elections

All delegates and alternates **elected to the State Central Committee (SCC) and/or First Congressional District Democratic Committee (CD1) delegations** to the following committees shall be selected and serve according to the bylaws of the respective Committees.

- a. Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 248.075(1) and Democratic Party of Oregon (DPO) Bylaws, Article 4 (State Central Committee Membership), set the requirements for electing and removing its delegates and alternates, as well as their duties.
- b. Delegates **and alternates** to the State Central Committee (SCC) and the ~~First Congressional District Committee (1st CD CD1 )~~ shall be elected for a term of **no more than** two (2) years. The term for SCC delegates shall begin on the date they are elected **and end at the next Organizational Meeting**. The term for ~~1st CD CD1~~ delegates shall begin with **at** the **beginning of the CD1** Organizational Meeting **and end at the beginning of the next CD1 Organizational Meeting**. **Vacancies may be filled at subsequent meetings.**
- c. ~~b.~~ Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 248.075(1) and First Congressional District Democratic Committee Bylaws, Article II (Membership), set the requirements for electing and removing its delegates and alternates, as well as their duties.
- d. ~~e.~~ All delegates and alternates to the State Democratic Central Committee **SCC** and the First Congressional District Democratic Committees **CD1** shall be elected by plurality vote at the Organizational Meeting of the Washington County Democratic Central Committee.
- e. ~~d.~~ DPO Bylaws, Article 7 (Conventions), set the requirements for electing delegates and alternates to the state Democratic conventions held in each election year.
- f. ~~e.~~ Article II (National Convention) of the Democratic National Committee Charter, its Call to the Convention, and its Delegate Selection Rules set the basis for the election of delegates to presidential elections year National Conventions.

### SR 2018-029 Authorization of Signage at Events and Swag Sales

#### NEW STANDING RULE # --

#### AUTHORIZATION OF SIGNAGE AT EVENTS AND SWAG SALES

1. Participation of all persons is encouraged. All persons and outside organizations wishing to participate in an event or activity of this organization and display any form of signage in favor of their candidate, measure, organization, cause, or issue must receive authorization.
  - a. Endorsement of the specific candidate, measure, or organization shall be considered authorization.
  - b. Authorization is granted for all signage in favor of any elected Democrat or anyone filed and running as a Democrat in a primary or general election. Efforts shall be made to ensure all filed candidates are represented.
  - c. Endorsement of a cause or issue shall be considered authorization for general signage in favor of the cause or issue, but not a specific candidate, measure, or organization.
  - d. Authorization may also be attained by approval of the Central Committee.
  - e. If the event is to be held prior to the next Central Committee meeting, one-time authorization may be attained by approval of the the Executive Board.
  - f. Notwithstanding the above rules, authorization for specific signage may be restricted by the Community Outreach Committee in extraordinary circumstances for specific cause including offensive language. Any restrictions will be reported to the Central Committee.
2. Swag, buttons, bumper stickers and T-shirts or any item offered for sale by the Office must receive authorization.
  - a. Endorsement of the specific candidate, measure, or organization shall be considered authorization.
  - b. Authorization is granted for all swag in favor of any elected Democrat or anyone filed and running as a Democrat in a primary or general election. Efforts shall be made to ensure all filed candidates are represented.

- c. Endorsement of a cause or issue shall be considered authorization for general swag in favor of the cause or issue, but not a specific candidate, measure, or organization.
- d. Authorization may also be attained by approval of the Office Committee Chair and must be ratified by the Executive Board.
- e. Notwithstanding the above rules, authorization for specific signage may be restricted by the Office Committee in extraordinary circumstances for specific cause including offensive language. Any restrictions will be reported to the Central Committee.

### **Appendix 3: Approved Bylaw and Rule Changes**

#### **BL 2018-035 Parliamentarian**

**Remove Article VI, Section 7, f. and add new Article VIII, Appointed Positions.**

Article VI            OFFICERS OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Section 7

~~f. The Parliamentarian shall advise the Chair, to ensure that all proceedings of the Central Committee and the Executive Board of the Central Committee are conducted in accordance with the Bylaws, the Standing Rules and Roberts Rules of Order; The Parliamentarian shall be an ex-officio member of the Rules Committee.~~

**\*New Article VIII            ADVISORY POSITIONS**

1. The Parliamentarian shall advise the Chair, to ensure that all proceedings of the Central Committee and the Executive Board of the Central Committee are conducted in accordance with the Bylaws, the Standing Rules and Roberts Rules of Order; The Parliamentarian shall be an ex-officio member of the Rules Committee.

**(The old Article VIII shall become Article IX and all subsequent articles shall be advanced by one number)**

### **Appendix 4: Approved Statement**

Whereas President Trump has cut over \$200 million of aid to the Palestinians, and has withdrawn about \$300 million of funding for the UNHCR (UN Refugee funding), and whereas given the dire humanitarian situation in Palestine, The Washington County Democrats Central Committee urges our Congressional delegation to advocate for restoring full funding for Palestinian aid and for the UNHCR. The cuts to funding will be highly detrimental to a peace process, will put millions of Palestinian lives at risk, and are basic violation of human rights. Several news reports have cited the rapid deterioration of humanitarian resources in Gaza and the West Bank; we call for the immediate restoration of funding for Palestinian aid and to the UNHCR.