

July 2015 Exec Board Minutes

Washington County Democrats
Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting
July 15, 2015

7:03pm. Call to Order: Rosa Colquitt, Chair.

- Attending: Lisa Allen, Lee Coleman, Rosa Colquitt, Louise Currin, Sorah Dubitsky, Chrissy Erguiza, Carl Fisher, Kerensa Gimre, Mignon Hamlin, Matt Koehler, LaVerne Landauer, Jon McWilliams, Dorila Nava, Luis Nava, Gerritt Rosenthal, Veronica Williams and Kathy Wnorowski.
- Guests: Barb Glazer, Barb Hess and Bob Seward.
- Agenda: Adopted as presented.
- Minutes of June Meeting: Motion to table approval until the August meeting, when hard copies will be available.
- Treasurer's Report: The balance of \$11,060.07 includes \$2,775.47 in the Karen Schouten Memorial Fund.

7:18pm. Continuing Business

- Report from the Summer Picnic: The event grossed \$7,707.50 against \$2,290 in expenditures, for a net of \$5,417.50. There were 81 tickets sold for the picnic.
- Staffing for the State Fair: Washington County is sharing its assigned date, Fri., Sept. 4 with Columbia County. Of the four volunteers still needed, three are the responsibility of WCD. Volunteers will be solicited at the August meeting. Meal stipends and parking fees will be covered for those who sign up.
- Neuberger Progress Report: Louise Currin is coordinating the event. The auctioneer has been hired. A speaker is yet to be confirmed. Rosa Colquitt is pursuing table sales.
- CC Speakers: For August, a panel including Rep. Susan McLain, HD29; Rep. Ken Helm, HD 34; and Rep. Lew Frederick, HD43 will discuss the legislative session.
- Volunteers of the Month: Dorila and Luis Nava for their extraordinary leadership during the Hillsboro Fourth of July parade.
- Washington County Spirit Award: Will be presented to Kim Thayer for her selfless service to the organization.

7:45pm. New Business

- Discussion of the Website: Rosa Colquitt repeated her request that E-Board members submit head shots for the website. Chrissy Erguiza explained how FaceBook pages can be used to push readers to the website. Barb Hess said that polls can be used on the private portion of the website. New ideas are needed for the website.
- Strategic Planning Document: Submitted by Linda and Paul Erickson following the March event. A copy will be given to all standing committee heads.
- Legislative Accomplishments: Gerritt Rosenthal presented a handout listing 22 accomplishments, noting that the tally should yield 48 when finalized. Each house passed about a thousand bills, of which five percent were significant. Governor Brown signed more than 600 bills into law. A joint meeting between the Platform and Communications committees is scheduled to prioritize issues that will be promoted among legislators in advance of the February legislative session.

8:35pm. Standing Committee Reports

- Office: Tee-shirt designs are underway. On a budget of \$400, Kathy Wnorowski estimates that 29 tee-shirts can be purchased. Veronica Williams pointed out that swag sales presently total nearly \$100 on a budgetary goal of \$500. LaVerne Landauer reported that the printer lease has been renewed for another year following the revelation of a requirement involving the proper cancellation of the contract. The sales representative from Pacific Automation has requested a meeting with Rosa Colquitt on Fri., July 17. Kathy Wnorowski and LaVerne Landauer, who will attend the meeting, are recommending that WCD drop the lease next year.
- SCC: Because the next meeting is in John Day, Gerritt Rosenthal urged delegates to coordinate travel plans to ensure a complete contingent at the event. An appeal for a fourth alternate will be made at the July CC meeting prior to a vote at the August meeting.

- First CD: Lee Colman, standing in for Chair Steve Hall, reported that responses are due on a plan for the 2016 election which will be presented to the DPO for implementation across the state.
- Platform: Two resolutions will receive a second reading and a vote at the July CC meeting. A legislative visit will be scheduled for the February session, especially following favorable feedback from legislators with regard to the May visits. Gerritt Rosenthal is the new chair of the Environmental Caucus. Lucinda Hites-Clabaugh was named chair of the Communications Committee for the caucus.
- Communications: Bob Seward had a letter to the editor published. A drive for more volunteers to write letters will begin in September in order to promote candidates in the fall elections. Social media continues to thrive under the direction of Chrissy Erguiza. Standing committee chairs are being contacted for information to include in the newsletter.
- Young Dems: The first meeting under the new leadership has been held, with 12 members attending. A survey concluded that members are concerned about making college and housing affordable for young people. Plans for promoting the group include making buttons to welcome new members. Veronica Williams said that contacting the offices of the Oregon congressional delegation to approach their summer interns would benefit the committee's membership drive. The next meeting is Mon., July 27 at Market of Choice on SW Barnes Road. A speaker is scheduled, and a secretary will be named.
- Education: A certificate of completion will be presented at the August CC meeting. The next PCP training is Sat., Aug. 1 from 9:30am-2pm at the office. A discussion of training members in the use of Google Docs was tabled until the August meeting.
- Campaign: A handout detailed the month's activity. Chair Carl Fisher said that Rep. Tobias Read has announced his candidacy for state treasurer. Sheri Malstrom, past Chair of the Finance Committee, has announced for HD27 and Paul Southwick has declared for HD37.
- Community Outreach: The next event is the Washington County Fair, starting Thurs., July 30 through Sun., Aug. 2, from 10am to 10pm on each day. Volunteers will be solicited to cover shifts at the July CC meeting. Participation in the Hillsboro Fourth of July parade overran its budget by \$200 due to transportation problems. Therefore, volunteers with access to big trucks are needed for the Beaverton parade. Hay bales for the wagons have been donated by Commissioner Malinowski.
- Latino Outreach: Dorila Nava announced that civic education will begin among Latinos. The effort will be led by Rep. Joe Gallegos, HD30, in three public events. The committee is planning the production of bumper stickers to promote Democratic values among Spanish speakers.

9:15pm. Adjournment: Rosa Colquitt, Chair.

E-Vote: Following a motion to endorse the "Stop Reckless Recalls" campaign, an e-vote taken from Fri., July 10 to Mon., July 13 resulted in 12 votes in support and four votes against. The motion passed.

Mignon Hamlin, Recording Secretary