



Washington County Democratic Central Committee
April 24, 2019 Regular Meeting
Patrick Maguire, County Chair
MINUTES

BEFORE THE MEETING

Special Informational Program (6:35 - 6:55 p.m.)

- Campaign Finance Reform Update with Patrick Starnes and Moses Ross

REGULAR MEETING

1. Meeting Opened at 7:00 pm; Officers present were: Patrick Mcguire (Chair); Jeremy Likens (2nd Vice Chair), and Veronica Williams (Treasurer). In Attendance: Alice Bartelt, Registered Parliamentarian and Chrissy Erguiza (Substitute Recording Secretary). Quorum was met.

- **Pledge of Allegiance** was conducted.

- **Approval of Prepared Agenda**

- ❖ Motion (MM42419-1) was made to approve the agenda. Ayes have it.
- ❖ Subsidiary Motion (SM42419-1) was made by Lisa Stiller to add an item under New Business: to add support of Teacher Walkout. Vote: Ayes have it.

Subsidiary Motion (SM42419-2) was made to add Endorsements & Contributions to be on the agenda after approval of the budget. Vote: Ayes have it.

- **Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

- ❖ Motion (MM2419-2) to approve the minutes. Vote: Ayes have it.

- **Introduction of First-Time Attendees, Democratic Candidates, & Elected Officials**

- **Chair's Opening Remarks and Meeting Overview**

- **Volunteer of the Month** was Will Hobbs.

2. Updates from Elected Officials

- Felicity Montebalco, Tualatin Hills Parks and Recreation District Board

3. Reports from Party Officers

- Vice Chair — Jeremy Likens

We had 75 PCPs checked-in. Asked for to see if they would like to help check people in on the credentials Committee. Other Committees that are looking for more volunteers: Communications Committee, Information Technology Committee

- Treasurer — Veronica Williams - report on file.

4. Committee Reports Requiring Action

Budget — Gabe Mendez

- Approval of 2019 Annual Budget (APPENDIX 1). Motion (MM42419-3) was made by Gabe Mendez. Vote - Ayes have it.

Endorsements & Contributions – Shabba Woodley

- Andy Smith for West Slope Water District. Motion (MM42419-4) to approve endorsement. Vote- Ayes have it.
- Robert Satterwhite for Tualatin Valley Fires and Rescue Board, Position 4. Motion (MM42419-5) was made to approve endorsement. Vote - Ayes have it.

- Motion (MM42419-6) was made to contribute funds to the below candidates. Vote - Ayes have it.

Tya Ping - THPRD	\$350
See Eun Kim – THPRD	\$500
Ben Bowman – TTSD	\$750
Ali Kavarianian - THPRD	\$350
Ashley Hartmeier-Prigg - THPRD	\$250
Heidi Edwards - THPRD	\$400

Rules Committee — Garrett Fleenor

- Proposed Rule SR 2019-006: “Calls to Action” (APPENDIX 2). Motion (MM42419-7) to approve. Vote – Ayes have it.
- Proposed Rule SR 2019-011: “Email Distribution for Party Business” (APPENDIX 3). Motion (MM42419-8) to amend: “to remove the word “all” and insert “except for our internal communication among sub-group members” submitted by Nancy Lewis. Secondary motion (SM42419-3) was made by Veronica Williams to send back to the Rules Committee, taking precedent over the previous motion. Vote – Ayes have it, SR 2019-011 is referred back to the Rules Committee.

Resolutions and Platform Committee — Kyle Martin

- Committee Updates: Platform Convention to be held on September 7, 8, (14th & 15th if needed). Looking for more, diverse committee members. Additional updates about RPC – 2019-008 regarding Facial Recognition Software. The RPC is still working on it. Further, come to the Policy Potluck House Party on Friday, May 3rd (more information can be found online).
- Proposed Resolution (Second Reading): “In Support of SJR 22 and Lowering the Voting Age to 16” (APPENDIX 4). Motion (MM42419-9) to approve. Debate was ended, Amelia Manlove moved (SM42419-4) the Previous Question. Vote on (MM42419-9) – Nays have it.
- Proposed Resolution (Second Reading): “Regarding Gender Equity in CD1CC and SCC” (APPENDIX 5). Motion (MM422419-10) to approve. Secondary Motion (SM42419-4) made by Veronica Williams to refer to the Rules Committee. Vote – Ayes have it.
- Proposed Resolution (Second Reading): “Bank Charging Fees to Cash Checks” (APPENDIX 6) – A motion was made (MM42419-11) by the RPC to approve. Vote – Ayes have it.
- Introducing New Resolutions (First Readings) (APPENDIX 7-1, DST & SB302 and APPENDIX 7-2, RPC 2019-010 In Support of SB 596). Point of Order by Veronica regarding the shrinking meeting time (8:55 PM) and shared news that PCC has warned the Party Leadership of terminating the rental contract for violating agreed meeting time duration. First readings were not introduced due to time restraints.
- Garrett Fleenor motions (MM42419-12) to suspend the rules to only pursue the nomination of the Special Committee and appointment of PCPs. Vote – Ayes have it.

5. New Business

- Nomination of Special Committee Membership – Chair Patrick Maguire made a motion (MM42419-13) to nominate Chrissy Erguiza, Shabba Woodley, Barbara Glazer, and Garrett Fleenor. Vote – Ayes have it.
- Motion by Lisa Miller – was not introduced as per (MM42419-12).

6. Meeting Closing

- Chair Patrick Maguire made a motion (MM42419-14) to approve the following people as PCP members: Barbara Swaney, Jennifer Teeter, and Citalli Nunez Barragan. Vote: Ayes have it.
- Adjournment at 9:10 PM

Draft Recorded by:

Chrissy Erguiza
 Substitute Recording Secretary
 For Victoria Long, Secretary
 The Democratic Party of Washington County

April 24, 2019
 Date

Approved: 5-22-2019 CC meeting

APPENDICES 1 through 7-2 FOLLOWS:

Appendix 1 - 2019 Budget Washington County Democrats - on file (MM42419-3) approved 4-24-19

APPENDIX 2

SR 2019-006 Calls to Action - Motion (MM42419-7) was approved 4-24-2019

Rationale:

Recently, a number of PCPs were upset when an important legislative priority to the CC wasn't communicated as a call to action when the issue came up for consideration in Congress. In the time since the Rules Committee has considered possible solutions and worked with the Communications Committee to draft a policy and rule to make sure that the issues we ran into will be addressed and not come up again. The Communications Committee is now actively intaking requests and processing calls to action, and this is the rule side of that work.

Because of the nature of such work, we felt it would be best to create a rule that was broad but established that a call to action process was required. We want the Communications Committee to have the flexibility to fine-tune processes that are efficient, and quick to disseminate the information. At the same time, we also want to assure that if people felt the response they got from the Communications Committee wasn't adequate, there is a swift next step they could take to escalate.

Proposed Standing Rule:

STANDING RULE #XX

A. "Calls to Action" are requests for action related to previously adopted resolutions, platform planks, LAIs, or Democratic Party values.

B. The Communications Committee shall have a standardized intake process and policy for swiftly evaluating and publishing calls to action.

C. The goals of this process and policy will be to inform our membership regarding these matters, and call on them to be mobilized to action.

D. If the requester is unsatisfied with the Communications Committee's decision, the requestor may bring their concern to the officers. The officers will come to a decision within 3 days of the appeal.

APPENDIX 3

SR 2019-011 Email Distribution for Party Business - (SM42419-3) was approved to refer back to Rules Committee

Rationale:

As a growing party with nearly six hundred members, the number of emails regarding party business being distributed is increasing and the demand for more emails is only increasing. There are no rules or policies regarding how this distribution is to be handled, leaving a wild west situation where traffic jams, doubling up, and leaving people unsure what emails should be sent and by whom are all becoming more common.

Rules and policy to govern email distribution for party business including prioritization of those emails is necessary to assure that our membership is able to receive all important information, receive it in a timely manner, and in a manner that is digestible and with maximum impact.

Proposed Standing Rule:

STANDING RULE #XX

A. The Communications Committee shall conduct all email distribution for party business and shall be in charge of intake, input and release of emails. The Communications Committee shall maintain timeliness, branding, high and consistent editorial standards, legality around membership and unsubscribing. The Communications Committee shall determine who has access to administer email services.

B. Officers, delegates, committee chairs, caucus chairs and staff shall submit their proposed copy and request for distribution to the Communications Committee no later than three days before the date distribution is being requested or required by rule. If an urgent matter needs to be distributed in less than three days or the Communications Committee will be unable to act in a timely manner, the Officers can make the

distribution by the agreement of three officers.

C. The Communications Committee shall upload the email, and make sure the content intent is maintained. The Communications Committee shall copy-edit for spelling, grammatical accuracy and clarity. However draft motions, draft resolutions and draft rules shall not be edited.

D. The Communications Committee shall prioritize the release of emails based upon notification requirements in the bylaws, followed by need and urgency of the information as determined by the Committee. The Communications Committee shall determine the date of distribution and may combine multiple emails into one.

E. The Communications Committee may reject a request for distribution, according to its policy unless the email is mandated by rule, but such rejection shall be immediately forwarded to the Officers who may by agreement of three officers overturn that rejection.

APPENDIX 4 (Second Reading)

RPC 2019-007 In Support of SJR 22 and Lowering the Voting Age to 16 - Motion (MM42419-9) was not approved. Refer to (SM42419-4)

WHEREAS, The Preamble of the WCDCC Platform states “Creating a more equal and sustainable society now, and for generations to come is our highest aspiration”;

WHEREAS, The Preamble of the WCDCC Platform states “We recognize that the inherent dignity and inalienable rights possessed by all members of humanity is the foundation of our shared freedom, of justice and of peace in the world ”;

WHEREAS, Article I of the WCDCC Platform states “Washington County Democrats believe **all persons** have a right to adequate food, secure housing, quality health care, clean air and water, **equal opportunity to vote**”; (bolding added)

WHEREAS, Many 16 and 17-year-olds are politically active and leading fights for various political change;

WHEREAS, Oregon currently allows 16-year-olds to pre-register to vote;

WHEREAS, the minimum voting age is 16 in Austria, Brazil, Scotland, Argentina, and two cities in Maryland;

WHEREAS, the legal working age for many jobs in Oregon is 16 or younger, and therefore many 16- year-olds and 17-year-olds have to pay taxes without representation;

WHEREAS, International studies show that those under 18 cast votes reflecting their views just as well as older voters (Baltimore Sun);

WHEREAS, Studies show conclusively that both voting and not voting are habit-forming, providing a "first vote" opportunity for those more settled in their community is particularly important (Baltimore Sun);

WHEREAS, Youth who are not yet 18 can drive, work, pay taxes, have consensual sex, obtain a federal student loan, earn a pilot's license and join the military; and

WHEREAS, South Salem High School senior Maria Torres said "We need to be able to take our work to the ballot and protect the policies we're working so hard to pass";

THEREFORE, We the Washington County Democratic Central Committee (WCDCC) of Oregon, Resolve as follows:

1. The WCDCC endorses SJR 22, which would change Oregon's legal voting age to 16;

2. Passage of SJR 22 and lowering the voting age to 16 shall be added to the Priority Legislative

Action Items for the Washington County Democratic Central Committee;

1. The WCDCC calls for its state Representatives and Senators to sponsor and support SJR 22;
2. The WCDCC Chair is directed to speak to or delegate individuals to speak to, each of Washington County's state Representatives and Senators and report back to the Central Committee within two months on those who responded
3. The Young Democrats Committee, the Community Outreach Committee, and the Resolutions and Platform Committee, are directed to take action on behalf of the WCDCC to support SJR 22 and work to lower the voting age to 16;
4. The Resolutions and Platform Committee Chair is directed to ensure a resolution is introduced to the Democratic Party of Oregon supporting SJR 22 and lowering the voting age to 16, and provide continuing reports to the Central Committee on its progress;
5. The Secretary is directed to send copies of this adopted resolution to the other Democratic central committees in Oregon with the suggestion that they adopt similar resolutions; and

APPENDIX 4 (continued)

6. A Special Committee, whose members and chair shall be 14 through 17-year olds, shall be appointed by the Chair within two months (with the ability to make additional appointments as the need arises) and the committee's task shall be to take lead on the work to achieve the adoption of SJR 22 and and take action on behalf of the WCDCC to that effect and coordinate the efforts of other committees, officers, and interested persons working for that goal.

Resolution submitted by Jeremy Likens, R&PC Member – February 29, 2019

Resolution amended and Recommended Do Pass by R&PC – March 5, 2019

Citation

<https://www.baltimoresun.com/news/opinion/oped/bs-ed-voting-age-20130531-story.html>

APPENDIX 5 (Second Reading)

A Resolution Affirming the WCDCC's Commitment to Gender Equity - Secondary Motion (SM42419-4) to refer to the Rules Committee was approved.

1. Whereas the election of State Central Committee (SCC) and Frist Congressional Democratic Central Committee (CD1) delegates and alternate delegates at the 2018 Washington County Democratic Central Committee (WCDCC) Organizational meeting was conducted with errors and in violation of WCDCC Bylaws; and
2. Whereas, Article IV of the Wash Co Dems Bylaws states, "Discrimination in the conduct of Central Committee affairs on the basis of sex, [...] gender identity, color, creed, parenthood or marital status is prohibited" and SRO #4 E. violates this principal of non-discrimination by granting people with some gender identities privileges that are not granted to people with other gender identities; and
3. Whereas, the results of the SCC and CD1 delegate and alternate delegate elections were not declared during the Organizational meeting and points-of-order raised about the election were not properly disposed of, both of which denied electors the ability to object to the results of the election during the meeting wherein the elections took place; and
4. Whereas, the rules used in the 2018 Reorganizational meeting resulted in underrepresentation of non-binary delegates and alternates;

Therefore, we the WCDCC hereby resolve as follows:

1. We declare that all SCC and CD1 delegates and alternates delegates shall be elected in a manner which assures gender equity at the next regularly scheduled WCDCC Organizational meeting following the meeting wherein this resolution is adopted.

2. We declare that the provisions contained SRO #4 E. are in violation of Article IV of the WCDCC Bylaws and are therefore not affective until such time that they amended to be non-discriminatory.

Submitted by Keith Haxton Resolution and Platform Committee member 02/05/2019
Amended and recommended Do Pass by Resolution and Platform Committee
02/05/2019

APPENDIX 6 (Second Reading)

RPC 2019-002 Banks in Oregon Must Cease Charging Fees to Cash Their Own Checks - (MM42419-11) was approved.

1. WHEREAS, Banks and other financial institutions routinely and regularly charge a fee to cash a check issued from their institution to those who are not also a member of their institution;
2. WHEREAS, These fees can up to \$25 per check¹;
3. WHEREAS, These check cashing services are targeted to “unbanked” or “underbanked” individuals;
4. WHEREAS, These individuals are also largely those earning below the poverty line in the US; and
5. WHEREAS, Cashing a payroll check every two weeks for a year at the \$25 fee equals \$650 or 25% over the amount a family of four must earn every week to be considered above the poverty line in the US

THEREFORE, We the Washington County Democratic Central Committee (WCDCC) of Oregon, Resolve as follows:

1. We call on all State Representatives and Senators representing any part of Washington County to co-sponsor a bill to ban banks and credit unions from charging to cash checks written from their own institution in the State of Oregon.

Resolution submitted by Kyle Martin, R&PC Chair – January 28, 2019

Resolution amended and recommended Do Pass by R&PC – February 5, 2019

APPENDIX 7-1 (First Reading)

FIRST READING WAS NOT INTRODUCED DUE TO TIME RESTRAINTS.

RPC 2019-011 Support for Permanent Daylight Savings Time and SB302

1. WHEREAS, In a study conducted in 2008 (<https://www.nber.org/papers/w14429>), Daylight Savings Time had a negligible effect on conserving energy;
2. WHEREAS, Daylight Saving Time related clock changes introduce significant challenges for the technology industry;
3. WHEREAS, Clock changes have shown to cause adverse health effects (<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/1745691615598509>);
4. WHEREAS, California, a neighboring state, recently passed Proposition 7, ending Daylight Saving Time and Arizona and Hawaii do not adhere to Daylight Savings Time; and
5. WHEREAS, Oregon Governor Kate Brown, when asked if she supported permanent Daylight Savings time, said “Hell yes!”;

THEREFORE, We the Washington County Democratic Central Committee (WCDCC) of Oregon, Resolve as follows:

- A. The WCDCC supports Oregon Senate Bill 302 to make Daylight Savings Time in Oregon permanent and maintain Oregon’s standard time one hour ahead of Pacific Standard Time to UTC-7;
- B. We call upon all State Representatives and Senators representing any part of Washington County to support the passage SB302; and
- C. If the bill is passed and referred to voters, actively support that measure’s passage.

Resolution submitted by Garrett Fleenor, PCP – April, 2018
Resolution Recommended Do Pass by R&PC – April 5, 2019

APPENDIX 7-2 (First Reading)

FIRST READING WAS NOT INTRODUCED DUE TO TIME RESTRAINTS.

RPC 2019-010 In Support of SB 596

WHEREAS, workers engaged in prostitution (“sex workers”) and victims of human trafficking suffer extremely high rates of crime¹;

¹ <https://>

WHEREAS, the risk of legal retaliation for engaging in prostitution discourages sex workers and victims of human trafficking from reporting crime victimization to law enforcement and seeking medical services, leaving them vulnerable to violence and exploitation;

WHEREAS, the resulting violence and exploitation of sex workers and victims of human trafficking at the hands of clients, associates, and police has a disparate impact on already vulnerable individuals such as those who are poor, women, transgender, people of color, formerly incarcerated, or immigrants lacking authorized status; and

WHEREAS, SB 596 "provides that if person reports commission of person felony to emergency communications system or law enforcement agency, evidence of prostitution obtained as result of making report may not be used against person in prosecution for prostitution or attempted prostitution"²;

THEREFORE, we the Washington County Democratic Central Committee (WCDCC), support and endorse the passage of Oregon SB 596.

Resolution submitted by Laura Wadlin, R&PC Member – March 16, 2019

Resolution amended and recommended Do Pass as Emergency by RPC – April 5, 2019