

Executive Board Meeting
April 27, 2009

Call to Order

Martin Chaney called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted unanimously.

Approval of previous meeting minutes

Previous meeting minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

State Caucus Task Force

Terry Thorsos addressed the Executive Board and discussed the happenings at the State Caucus Task Force. This is the first year of the SCTF. They are an advisory committee for the Rules Committee about the caucus process, composed of 18 people from throughout the state. An additional meeting will be scheduled in late summer. Terry asked the Executive Board if we, as an LD, should do more such as email or hearing to solicit information from the general public. Martin asked Terry if a public hearing would be beneficial. Terry thought that it would be beneficial but is open to different ideas of the format of a public hearing.

Priscilla suggested having a public hearing separate from a general members LD meeting. Terry suggested having the public hearings where little has been done before.

Martin felt that it would be a great outreach event that would help with party organization.

Resolutions

Bob Horn

Bob addressed the Executive Board. His resolution addressed the financial situation in the country. His resolution is to the Washington State Democratic Congressional Delegation to hold accountable the people who helped put the country into the financial situation it is in, or explain to the public why they have not held them accountable.

General Meeting Agenda Review

Martin discussed the candidate speakers at the general meeting. Fred Jarrett is a candidate for King County Executive. Emails will be sent out to other local candidates to speak at the general meeting.

Kathleen will talk about the outcome of the session and the future endeavors, since this is the first meeting after the legislative session

Andrew suggested having a legislative hour at 6:00 for the next general meeting. This would allow general members to ask their legislators questions without taking up time during the meeting.

The Executive Board thanked Kathleen and the LAC for their hard work during the legislative session.

During the meeting, Andrew will explain the endorsement process and how to become involved in the process. People interested in becoming part of the Endorsement Committee, email Martin or Andrew, or request to join the Endorsement Committee on the 45th Social Network. Martin discussed the Duval Days Parade. There will be both people in the parade and have a booth. Ken volunteered to speak on behalf of volunteering at the Duvall Days.

WSDCC Meeting Reports

Martin believed the WSDCC was very interesting. Ralph discussed the goings-on of the WSDCC. A caucus format was discussed for mid-term elections. The WSDCC also talked about vetting resolutions through the State Resolutions Committee to ensure there is sufficient time to discuss the resolution.

Andrew asked Ralph about creating a State Legislative Program.

Updating handling of Announcement List and use of Social Forum

Martin explained the process and approval of messages and announcements through the Announcement List. Individual advocacy issues should be moved to the Social Network. To move the individual advocacy issues and improve the social network, Martin wants to redirect people to the social network and he will also put out up to an email a week about individual advocacy uses on the social network.

Endorsement Schedule Review

Recommendations on Procedures

The Endorsement Meeting is in June after the filing period.

Committee composition and meeting schedule

The committee will meet several times after the filing period and before the June 10th Endorsement meeting.

List of positions we will consider endorsement of in June

The Endorsement Committee will decide what positions to endorse at the June 10th Endorsement meeting.

Tuesday May 5th King County Executive Candidate Forum

A candidate forum is at May 5th at 7:30 for King County Executive Candidates. Andrew will be moderating the forum.

Board Retreat Update

Brainstorming on session topics and leaders

The tentative schedule will be from 10 am to 3 pm. Martin asked the board to email him potential session topics.

Other Reports

The Executive Board discussed the finances of the LD.

Other Old Business

Ralph moved to recommend to the general assembly to donate \$200 to Washington Clean Elections, washclean.org. The Executive Board discussed the motion. There was a proposed amendment to the motion to encourage the general members to donate to Washington Clean

Elections, washclean.org when a washclean.org representative is in attendance as an addition to the LD donating \$200. The Executive Board discussed the amendment. The amendment was passed. The motion was passed. Therefore, it will be asked of the general assembly to have the LD donate \$200 to Washington Clean Elections.

Martin decided that Judith should present a report about Washington Clean Elections.

Andrew emphasized the need to recruit a candidate for the 3rd district King County Council.

Other New Business

No new business was reported.

Good of the Order

Nothing was reported for the good of the order.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:16pm.