

Executive Board Meeting (Draft)
January 25, 2010

Call to Order

Martin Chaney called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Present: Kathleen Reynolds, Brad Larson, Priscilla O'Leary, Ian Jacobson, Martin Chaney, Becky Chaney, Paul Yarborough, Andrew Villeneuve, and Ralph Gorin.

Adoption of the Agenda: The e-board moved, seconded and approved adoption of the agenda.

Martin noted that Susan Sheary, chair of the King County Democrats, has been ill but is improving and is home from the hospital.

Proposed General Meeting Agenda: The proposed general meeting agenda was discussed. Martin noted the need for a member to take on the weekend, summer fairs, and parades for 2010. Ian suggested contacting Meghan Gustafson ask if she would like to coordinate the summer events and/or be King County Committeewoman. Martin asked the eboard if anyone had additional changes to the general meeting agenda.

Approval of previous meeting minutes: Martin called for adopting the November minutes. The e-board moved, seconded and approved adoption of the November minutes.

Membership Drive Update: Paul Yarbrough stated that upon completion of sending out a membership letter, followed by a phone call, followed by an email the membership drive will be finished. The eboard agreed to ask the membership to set a date for cleaning the membership list and to consider making a \$600 dues donation to the KCDC this year. Ian noted we have \$5,438.95 in the bank. Martin suggested saving \$500 for the caucus.

Special Election Activities Update: The complications regarding GOTV calling for the school district election were discussed.

Endorsement Positions, Issues, Process: Andrew Villeneuve expects the endorsement committee to be prepared to present their positions on endorsements the following elections: Suzan Delbene for Congress, the BIAW sponsored initiative, and Tim Eyman's bill regarding legislature control. Numbers for the initiatives are expected in time for the meeting. The group noted incumbent candidates include Senator Patty Murray and Representative Jay Inslee.

March 14th Caucus:

The location for the caucus was discussed. Martin noted that Redmond High School will be less expensive and more central to the district. The e-board selected Redmond High School for the caucus location. The e-board agreed that it would be good to send an email solicitation to the people who attended last year and ask them to respond and let us know whether they plan to come. Ralph suggested that the email should include an expected agenda and the expected timing. It was noted that the primary business will be to elect delegates to the state convention. Martin expects our district to 30 delegates and 15 alternates.

Notice for the meeting was discussed. The rules and agenda should be posted on the website. AP US government high school teachers should be encouraged to invite student participation. Ian agreed to contact Woodinville High School and Andrew will contact Redmond High School. Ian noted the city governments also may have high school representative contacts.

Meeting and speaker timing was discussed. Length is dependent on the platform, number of speaking elected officials, candidates, and potential delegates. The speaker timing needs to be adjusted to the number of delegate candidates. It was decided that a reservation from 11AM – 5PM should be adequate. The caucus committee will include Martin, Priscilla, Andrew, Paul, and Duane Wentz along with the chairs of the convention, platforms and rules committees (see below). Meeting schedule will be forthcoming.

County and State Convention Credentials, Platform and Rules Committee members: Possible committee chairs, along with an affirmative chair were discussed. It was noted that groups included in affirmative action are African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian and Pacific Islanders, and the disabled. Martin noted that Jaxon has requested the names of the chairs by submitted to the state by January 31.

Judith Shattuck, Duayne Wentz, Mike Lofstedt, Matt Loschen were suggested as people to help with the caucus. Martin asked for volunteers from the e-board. Volunteers are needed for credentials for the LD, the County, and the State events. The roles of the different chairs were discussed including the need to meet to determine appropriate process for the caucus. It was noted that LD resolutions are expected to go directly on to the state. The e-board suggested that the chair ask for an extension from Jackson.

Other Old Business

Kirkland Issues: Kathleen asked about the issues regarding the Kirkland election and Martin noted that he intends to invite the elected council members that have indicated that they are Democrats to the General Meeting.

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LAC Lobby Day: Kathleen passed around a sign-up for the LAC lobby day.

Andrew noted that Eric is running his first re-election campaign and needs the continuing support of the District.

Martin asked the officers to write job descriptions for the various jobs they do.

Calendar items: Martin noted the updated calendar. Corrections were noted and Kathleen offered to send dates for additional lobby days.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.