

Minutes of Executive Board Meeting
34th District Democrats
March 21, 2007
Puget Ridge Co-Housing

The meeting was called to order at 7:17pm.

Members present: Tanya Aguilar, Robin Hess, Tim Nuse, Jackie Dupras, Cherisse Luxa, Les Treall, Greg Doss, Bruce Stotler, Walter Sive, Richard Bartlett, Ernestine Pearl Rosendale, Ivan Weiss, Sharon Henderson, and Dina Johnson.

Chair's Report

The Glacier Strip Mining bill is still in committee.

There are two new 34th District PCOs. We have filled 52% of our precincts.

First Vice Chair's Report

No news from the 15th District. A PCO training is planned (no date).

There are problems with the grant for the White Center Heights Park. There are also wetlands and owners issues. Tanya will contact the White Center Community Development Association for more information.

Budget

Greg and Walter appointed an audit committee: Sarah Earl, Kathy Minsch, and Sarah Jepson. The committee reported that after review of the 2006 budget all was accounted for and reconciled.

Walter presented a Budget-Finances report comparing the 2006 and 2007 budgets. A detailed profit /loss statement was also circulated for Board perusal. Walter also recommended an ongoing quarterly review of the current budget.

Tim proposed that we put together another forum in the fall. Walter will put \$1000 aside for this.

The 2007 amended budget was approved by a voice vote. The new budget will be in the newsletter and voted on at the next general meeting.

Bruce proposed increasing our dues to King County from \$600 to \$1000. He suggested we call it the \$1000 Club and challenge other districts to do the same. The board approved the plan.

Walter suggested encouraging our membership to support needed finances through their own dues and contributions.

Membership

Jackie reported there are currently 363 members in the 34th District.

State Committee

There will be a meeting in Bellingham the last weekend in April. Significant issues will be caucuses and setting a time and place for the convention.

County Committee

Cherisse discussed a proposed change in the KCDCC by-laws allowing votes by specifically named organizations. The original section in the by-laws allows a vote by any King County club or organization that is chartered. Walter moved that we leave this section as originally stated. Motion was approved by hand vote.

By-laws

Richard distributed copies of the amended by-laws to committee members. This edition will be in the newsletter. Feedback is welcome. By-laws will be finalized at the next board meeting.

OldBusiness

None

New Business

April Meeting Agenda: Dwight Pelz, state party chair, will speak about the 2008 caucuses and show a Powerpoint presentation, "Chair's Challenge."

Ivan stated a need for candidate appearance guidelines. A candidate forum in June and an endorsement meeting in July were proposed. A decision was made for a 3 minute speech/3 minute Q&A per candidate.

Summer event participation: July 4, Burien Independence Day Parade
July 13 Sidewalk Sale and W.S. Junction Festival
July 21 HiYu Parade
White Center Jubilee questionable this year.

Dina Johnson spoke of the need to familiarize district democrats with their PCOs. She proposed distributing door hangers which would introduce the PCO in each precinct. An example was circulated. A small committee of PCOs will be organized to work out details and estimate costs. The board responded favorably.

If the South King County Dinner happens, it was agreed to participate by voice vote.

Good of the Order

Robin questioned what was happening with his resolution which questioned the financing of the Iraq War. He asked for support and volunteers.

Bill Bradley, former senator, basketball star, and Presidential candidate, will speak at Town Hall on April 12th. His speech will be based on his new book, An American Story.

Bruce moved that we join Megawatt, a website which coordinates and publicizes West Seattle clubs and organizations. The motion passed by hand vote.

“So You Want To Be A Delegate.” Cherisse discussed sharing her experience as a national convention delegate with interested candidates. She will give a brief overview of her plan at the April Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:18PM.

Respectfully submitted, Sharon Henderson