

34th District Democrats Meeting Minutes, November 14, 2007

Chair Ivan Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:04PM.

The flag salute was lead by Chris Weiss.

Adoption of the agenda, minutes, and Treasurer's Report were moved, seconded and passed by voice vote.

Chair's Report

- Washington Public Campaigns chair Marcee Stone announced a Clean Elections Forum on Saturday, November 17th at 7:30PM. A reception with dignitaries and panelists will be at 6PM. Location is Kane Hall on the UW campus.
- A huge victory was scored in Burien when a resolution to save the Lora Lake Apartments was passed. Kudos to Cherisse Luxa for keeping the pressure on the Port and the Burien City Council.
- Ivan and Representative Sharon Nelson visited the 45th District and spoke to urge support for efforts to contain Maury Island strip mining. The 45th District Dems have passed a motion in support of that position.

Olivia Robinson represented the Institute for a Democratic Future speaking about their goal of developing and promoting civic leaders in Washington state. Applications for an upcoming class in January are now being accepted. Applicants must be Democrats between the ages of 21-36. See www.democraticfuture.org for details.

Bylaws

Bylaws chair Richard Bartlett announced that the bylaws discussions were finished and proposed changes were published in the newsletter. Cathy Rouyer made a motion to accept the revised edition. Allan Munro suggested that Section 6A was contradictory and should be eliminated. The motion was amended to accept the revised bylaws reflecting the discussed change. Motion passed.

34th District Representative Sharon Nelson thanked the District for her successful election and said she has begun preparations for her term. She can be reached at 360 786 7952 or at nelson.sharon@leg.wa.gov.

Other officials stating thanks for their election to office were: Senator Joe McDermott, Seattle City Councilmember Tom Rasmussen, Seattle City Councilmember Sally Clark, and County Councilmember Dow Constantine.

2007 Election Debrief

The microphone was opened for post election comments by members.

Precinct Caucuses

Tim Nuse announced preparations are well underway for the February 9th caucuses.

- Our District's goal is to have 5,200 Democrats participate which is 8,000 more than in 2004.
- The locations are secured.
- Grassroots efforts to promote caucus attendance have begun. "Save the Date" cards were passed out.
- PCOs will attend one of three scheduled training sessions to prepare for the caucuses.
- The next Caucus Outreach meeting will be December 10th at 7PM. See website for location.

Appointment of Precinct Committee Officers

The 34th District welcomed four new PCOs: Amy Lee Derenthal Sea34-1540, Artemis OakGrove Sea34-1476, Charles Torrey Sea34-Colvos, and Kimber McCreary Sea34-1470.

There was no Old or New Business.

Good of the Order

The Washington State Democrats Holiday Party will be at the Westin Hotel on December 2nd. Congressional delegates will be in attendance.

The 34th District Dems Christmas Party will be December 12th in the back room at Fauntleroy Hall. It is potluck.

School Board candidate Maria Ramirez thanked the District for supporting her in the election.

Respectfully submitted,
Sharon Henderson