

Meeting Agenda Minutes

- 1: Chair Ivan Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:00.
Susan Harmon led the flag salute.
- 2: Adoption of agenda
 - A: Ann Martin moved to amend the agenda. She wanted to postpone the election of the 4 open E-board positions. Lucy Krakowiak also spoke in favor of the motion. Ivan Weiss and Robin Hess spoke against the motion. Both said those that were running for the positions were more than willing and that despite the differences the elections should not be postponed. Robin Hess also spoke to the importance of filling the positions at this meeting. Ann Martin asked for a point of privilege, so that she could give some explanation to the postponement of the elections
 - B: The motion to postpone failed as there was not a majority, 50 (for) and 50 (against)
 - C: Minutes of the Nov meeting were adopted.
 - D: The treasurer's report was adopted.
- 3: Chairman's report
- 4: Tim Burgess, Seattle City Council, thanked everyone for electing him to the Council. He mentioned how much he won by and that he was looking forward to working for us.
- 5: Bruce Stotler gave the State Committee report. He mentioned that there was going to be a vote builder training session at the State Party meeting in Vancouver WA January 25-26.
- 6: Joe Grande gave brief remarks as to why we should vote for Hillary Clinton.
- 7: Dina Johnson gave brief remarks as to why we should vote for John Edwards.
- 8: Bill Moyer, Backbone Campaign, spoke about what the organization has done, and continues to do. He also mentioned they are vying for a \$50,000 award. It's open to any organization that raises the most money by 31 Jan. Backbonecampaign.org is in the top 4 and if they stay there will win.
- 9: Lisa Herbold spoke about legislation that was introduced addressing Condo conversions. Rep. Maralyn Chase's bill would give local jurisdictions the option to limit the number of condos converted. It would also increase the amount of money it pays for moving expenses and the number of days notice given to the tenants.
- 10: Election of First Vice Chair
 - A: Tim Nuse, Second Vice Chair was nominated and elected by voice vote

11: Election of Second Vice Chair

A: Ann Martin nominated and elected, since Tim was elected into the First Vice Chair position by voice vote

12: Election of Secretary

A: Mitch Feller nominated and elected by voice vote.

13: Election of King County Committeewoman

A: Laura Feinstein and Marcee Stone nominated

B: Marcee Stone was elected with 55 votes to Laura's 20

14: Election of King County Committeewoman Alternate

A: Laura Feinstein nominated and elected by voice vote.

15: Tim Nuse spoke about Caucus planning. He let everyone know of the two upcoming training sessions. He announced all of the Caucus sites and the people who would be responsible for each site. Stressed the importance of getting volunteers and gave a brief overview of the expectations.

16: PCOs appointed:

A: Sasha Alessi – SEA34-1510

B: Shawna Ousse – SEA34-1416

17: Old Business:

A: \$1034.00 was donated to the King County Dems

B: \$200.00 was donated to the League of Women Voters to aid with cost of elected official's booklets they produce and print

18: Better Way Committee (Robin Hess) reminded us of their organization and what they are doing. "Better way to conduct international Affairs: food, housing, education, etc."

19: New Business:

Joyce Williams moved to find out why the community was not informed of the name change for High Point Elementary, which is now known as West Seattle Elementary

20: Good of the Order:

A: Allan Munro spoke on Ivan's behalf in support of his Chairmanship

B: Dan Fievez discussed the letter he created in July and its importance to the membership. He also touched briefly on the meeting he called to discuss Ivan's resignation. When reminded of his time limit, he argued that he would take as much time as he wanted. Time was called; he was reminded by several audience members that the rules applied to all, and that he needed to take his seat. He did so.

C: Russ Brubaker spoke to the importance of our elections and that we needed to move on since this was an important year ahead of us.

D: Ann Martin spoke against how our organization deals with its problems.

E: David McLanahan announced a meeting being held at UW on Feb 10, 08 dealing with the uninsured in America, and why it's driving up the cost for everyone. Congressman Jim McDermott, along with Washington's Insurance Commissioner, Mike Kreidler, will be speakers at the event.

F: Eileen Macoll, State Party Vice Chair from Pullman WA, spoke about the importance of the Caucuses and what the Dems in Pullman are doing to increase their numbers.

G: Bruce S. announced the date for the Delridge cleanup, Saturday, January 12.

9:00 Adjournment and clean up was moved and seconded.