

Washington State Democratic Party 2006 Official Minutes of Precinct Caucus

County: King
Legislative District: 34th
Precinct: High Point Community Center Area Caucus
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- Meeting called to order by Ann Martin at 2:05 with co-chair Richard Bartlett also introducing himself.
- PCOs attending asked to stand so people could see who they were.
- Apologies conveyed from our Democratic state legislators, Rep Jim McDermott, Rep Eileen Cody and Sen Eric Poulsen.
- Ann described contents of caucus participant packets at 2:20. Noted packets did not include forms to join the 34th Dist Democrats. These forms were available at the back of the room. Noted that meetings are held the second Wednesday of the month at the Hall at Fautleroy.
- Script in packet pointed out at 2:22 (Instructions on how to caucus). Values form described. Resolution process described. Noted that the “meat” of the process is how to elect delegates (and the number that can be elected) to the next level.
- Credentials described.
- Participants instructed to replace materials in packets when complete.
- Noted that people not present at the caucus cannot be elected as delegates without a written statement of willingness to serve.
- Formal instructions read by Ann Martin at 2:26.
- Ann Martin read letter from Senator Maria Cantwell at 2:27.
- Request from Matt Harris seconded by Christine Jessup that letter from Democratic Senate candidate Mark Wilson also be read.
- Ann Martin read letter from Mark Wilson at 2:29. Several in room applauded and cheered after Wilson letter read.
- Participants broke into precinct caucuses at approximately 2:35.
- Ann Martin called the room back to order at approximately 3:05.

- The following resolutions were read and passed beginning at approximately 3:10.
Note: the numbers given each resolution correspond to the numbers written on the resolutions themselves, which are attached.
- ✓ (1) Resolution for a Universally-funded National Health Program
- ✓ (2) Housing Resolution (that Washington State provide affordable housing for all residents)
- ✓ (3) Resolution Addressed to the King County Council and the Washington State Legislature (to block all further funding for renovating Key Arena, etc)
- ✓ (4) Fair Share Health Care Resolution (urging state representatives to sponsor legislation requiring Wal-Mart to pay its fair share of health insurance for its workers)
- ✓ (5) Resolution in Opposition to the Anti-Equal Rights Initiative and Signature Efforts (urging King County Democrats to refuse to sign anti-equal rights initiatives and referenda)
- ✓ (6) Resolution on the Restoration of Order in Restricting voter Rights for Incarcerated Felons (resolving that Area Democratic Caucus at High Point Community Center support passage of SB6651 and HB2873)
- ✓ (7) Resolution to Strengthen Schools and Retain Equitable Taxes (Preservation of SB6096 (resolving that Area Democratic Caucus at High Point Community Center support retention of SB6096))
- ✓ (8) Resolution of Endorsement for Initiative 937 (resolving that Area Democratic Caucus at High Point Community Center endorse initiative to ensure utilities purchase 15% of their power from renewable resources by 2020)
- ✓ (9) Support for Democratic Veterans (restoring full funding of VA hospitals, encouraging veterans to run as Democrats for congressional office)
- ✓ (10) Anti-wiretap resolution
- ✓ (11) Resolution on International Law (urging US adoption of the Declaration of the Rights of a Child)
- ✓ (12) Resolution Supporting Passage of a Federal, Cabinet-level, Department of Peace
- ✓ (13) Resolution recognizing that education K-12 is the highest priority issue facing our country today
- ✓ (14) Resolution of Support for the Fight Against Discrimination (opposing all attempts to remove “sexual orientation” and “gender identity” from list of groups protected under Washington State law and attempts to overturn HB2661)
- ✓ (15) Government and Political Reform (endorsing multiple issues pertaining to elections)
- ✓ (16) Resolution opposing sale of federal lands
- ✓ (17) Opposing treaties such as NAFTA and CAFTA that do not acknowledge and uphold labor and environmental standards and regulations
- ✓ (18) Resolution endorsed by Area Democratic Caucus at High Point Community Center for the impeachment of President Bush
- ✓ (19) Resolution calling for the immediate withdrawal of US troops from Iraq
- ✓ (20) Resolution calling for Washington Democrats to adopt the slogan “Return America to the People”

Ann Martin closed the meeting at 4:30.