

Pacific County Democrats
General Meeting South Bend, WA
February 8, 2010

Chair John Adams called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM and led the Flag Salute.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Additions under New Business: Crab Feed Awards. It was M/S/P to approve the amended agenda.

INTRODUCTIONS: Chair John Adams introduced our guest speakers: Former State Representative Denny Heck (17th L.D.) and State Senator Craig Pridemore (49th L.D.) who spoke about their candidacy for U.S. Representative in the 3rd Congressional District.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: It was M/S/P to accept the extremely well written January 11, 2009 minutes. Thank you Diana Thompson.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Renee Goodin reported that there was \$480.00 income for January, with expenses of \$67.60, and interest of \$12.05. Total cash balance as of January 31 was \$17,214.95. It was M/S/P to accept the Treasurer's report.

CORRESPONDENCE: We received a thank you from Samantha Metcalf, Raymond, for her scholarship.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EVENTS: Colleen Cohern reported that flyers are available for distribution for the Crab Feed. Our next event will be the Crab Feed in South Bend on Saturday, March 13, 2010

MEMBERSHIP: Secretary Marshall Tate reported that we now have 74 members. The membership renewal drive has been going well and

we are close to achieving our goal of 100% renewal. Marshall asked members to help us achieve this goal.

CRAB FEED: Bruce Walker discussed the Crab Feed activities: licenses have been obtained, food ordered, supplies inventoried, volunteers gathered, and the crab order will be finalized by March 1. There was a discussion of tables and chairs and it was M/S/P to obtain more tables and chairs. Bruce will take care of this. We are looking to have a big crowd this year.

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE: Bill Grennan discussed the offices up for election in 2010 and stated that they are listed on the Pacific County website.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: No report.

PCO: Marshall stated that a PCO meeting is being planned to discuss what PCO's can do to help candidates in the 2010 elections. Pat Gardner discussed the problems and expense of holding PCO elections. There has been some discussion at the state level to change the current system.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE: Michael Spencer discussed how he has distributed information about the scholarship to the high schools in Pacific County. We will be placing ads in the newspaper about the scholarship in March.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE: The next issue of the newsletter will be mailed out March 1, 2010. The Co-Editors encouraged members to write articles.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE: Beverly Olson, Karen Spackman and Doug Kess discussed the recent state meeting they attended. Nominations for State Committeewoman and State Committeeman were tabled until the March meeting

OLD BUSINESS: Marshall reviewed the work he has done looking into D&O and Special Event insurance. Since we do not have nonprofit status we are unable to obtain D&O insurance and the Special Event insurance will be expensive. Currently we have one bid for \$1286 for Special Event insurance and we are waiting for another bid to come in. After much discussion it was M/S/P to obtain Special Event insurance at the lowest bid for this year's Crab Feed. It was recommend that the Chair appoint a special committee to look into obtaining nonprofit status.

NEW BUSINESS: John discussed the Agricultural & Rural County Caucus. Membership is \$40. It was M/S/P to join the ARCC.

Awards at the Crab Feed were discussed and voted on.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The 19th L.D. will hold their next meeting before the Crab Feed on March 13 at 3pm at the Courthouse Annex.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: The primary will be August 17, 2010.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45PM.

Respectively Submitted,
Marshall Tate
Secretary, Pacific County Democrats