

Pacific County Democrats
General Meeting Seaview, WA
May 10, 2010

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: M/S/P to approve the agenda.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: It was M/S/P to accept the April 10, 2010 minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Renee Goodin reported that income for March was \$305.91 and expenses were \$340.13. Total cash balance as of March 31 was \$19,780.61. It was M/S/P to accept the Treasurer's report.

CORRESPONDENCE: We received phone calls, letters and a transcript from Jason Huntley.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

EVENTS: Colleen Cohern reported that the parade in Tokeland will be on Saturday July 3rd, the parade in Ocean Park will be on Sunday, July 4th, the parade in South Bend is Sunday, Sept. 5th, and the Annual Picnic will be Sunday, July 18 at Beverly Olson's house in Bay Center.

MEMBERSHIP: Secretary Marshall Tate reported that we now have over 110 members.

CRAB FEED: No Report.

ELECTIONS COMMITTEE: Pat Gardner announced that filing week was June 7-11. Ballots will be sent out July 28, the primary is August 17 and the election is November 2. Pat also mentioned that all PCO must file this year.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Marshall reported that we are working on the budget for 2010-11.

PCO: Pat Gardner reviewed upcoming changes in PCO elections and asked for input. Marshall has emailed all PCO's regarding the dates for filing.

We are asking all PCO's to canvas their precincts and determine good locations for lawn signs and to identify 5-10 strong Democrats in their respective precincts. All members are being asked to help identify potential PCO's to help fill vacancies. Acting PCO's, who do not live in a district, can be appointed.

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE: Marshall reported that he had talked with Joan King. There were 10 applications this year. The applicant ranked #1 was Mitchell Hatfield and #2 was Megan Ritzman. It was M/S/P to award a \$500 scholarship to Mitchell and Megan.

There was also some discussion on the number of scholarships to award in the future and to increase the number of members on the Scholarship Committee. It was agreed to continue this discussion at the June meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE: The May issue was emailed to over 525 people and mailed to 130. Cost for the mailing was \$57.20. The next issue is planned for June 15 and will be a candidate's issue.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE: Registration will be paid for members attending the statewide meeting in Vancouver, in June.

OLD BUSINESS:

NON-PROFIT STATUS COMMITTEE: The Chair reported that communications from Susan Sherry, Chair, King County, indicated every county Dems organization is part of the WA State Dems and is therefore chartered as a political organization. The Chair will continue to look into this.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Chair led a discussion on endorsements and the endorsement process at the Annual picnic. Charlie Wiggins, a candidate for State Supreme Court Justice, has requested to speak to the group and obtain an endorsement. He will be invited to speak at a meeting. At the July picnic we will have candidates speaking and then vote on endorsements.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The 19LD meeting will be held at 3pm on Saturday, May 15 in Longview. Frank Logan discussed the idea of a candidate's forum. Doug Kess reported that there was a well-attended "Meet & Greet" for Craig Pridemore at his house. Representative Brian Blake gave a short review of the legislative session.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:33PM.

The Pacific County Democrats Nominating Convention was called to order at 8:35pm. Chair John Adams reviewed the nominating procedure and stated that only PCO's could vote.

Some discussion followed about nominations and the nominating procedure in general. It was then M/S/P to NOT nominate any candidates.

There being no further business, the Pacific County Democrats Nominating Convention was adjourned at 9:03PM.

Respectively Submitted,
Marshall Tate
Secretary, Pacific County Democrats