



Chair's Message

Greetings 34th Democrats!

As we inch our way into September, we find ourselves in the midst of a resurgence of the virus which has ravaged our country, state, county and district. We are in an area where the vaccination rates are high but we still see hospitals filling up. Governor Inslee has reinstated some of the same precautions and restrictions we lived through the past 18 months. For this reason we are thinking long and hard about how we will approach upcoming GOTV efforts and even our Reunion Picnic. Please stay tuned for announcements in the coming weeks. We will do what is in the best interest of our members.

We are planning for a big push in Burien this fall. I am working with like-minded organizations and our union partners to organize co-sponsored canvasses starting on Sunday, September 19 and continuing through October. You all know by now that Burien is definitely at risk - with 4 conservative candidates challenging our Democratic endorsed candidates Hugo Garcia (1), Jimmy Matta (3), Sarah Moore (5) and Krystal Marx (7). We must all commit to keeping these seats! Please consider signing up to help: <https://bit.ly/2021GOTV-34>.

We have a special, informative presentation planned for our pre-meeting program at the September 8th meeting. Jen Nye, a dedicated volunteer for Whole Washington and Healthcare Policy Caucus lead, will provide an overview of the plan and answer questions. Later in the meeting we will review a resolution in support of the bill. Be sure to read it and bring in questions for Jen!

Lastly, I am going to reiterate what I said in a recent weekly email, taking a moment of personal privilege. From day one of considering the role of Chair of this organization, I had a few very specific goals, one of which was to make this a more welcoming place for ALL "flavors" of Democrats. I once was offended by a member who seemed to suggest that I wasn't Democrat enough. I vowed to do something about it. In Seattle we are so lucky to be surrounded by Democrats - all kinds of Democrats! What I see happening however is that we are pushing out anyone who is not 'Progressive' enough. I urge you all to think long and hard about this. Is this really what we want to be as an organization? If anyone wants to discuss this, please email me chair@34dems.org.

I also want to urge the 551 members of this organization to get back to the table! In August, we endorsed for Mayor and City Attorney with just 68 and 57 votes respectively. This same group declined to endorse the remaining Democrat in the Seattle City Council position 9 race. This, for me, is NOT OK. In my opinion, rather embarrassing. Let's all take the time to participate. We can do better.

Carla Rogers

34th LD Chair - chair@34dems.org - 206-432-1998

September 8, 2021

Online Membership Meeting Notice

You Must Register to Attend:

[Register Here](#)

6:30pm - Zoom opens for a mini-program:

"What is the Whole Washington Health Trust"?

7:15pm - Call to Order

Opening Ceremonies (15m)

Approval of Agenda and Minutes (2m)
Budget and Membership Report (3m)
Announcements (10m)

Endorsements (10m)

Candidate Spotlight (5m)

Vivian Song Maritz - Seattle School Board
District 4 (not eligible for endorsement)
Highline School Levy Renewal Campaign
And others

Resolutions to Consider (20m)

Resolution in Support of a Select Committee For
Climate in the Seattle City Council -
See Page 6
Resolution Supporting Whole Washington Health
Trust (HB 5204) - See page 7

PCO Announcements and GOTV Details (5m)

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Adjourn 9pm

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[Register for our September meeting and join early for our pre-meeting mini-program!](#)

What is the Whole Washington Health Trust?

The ultimate goal of the Whole Washington organization is National Improved Medicare for All at the federal level. Whole Washington fully supports and participates in efforts to pass national, single payer legislation, and we enthusiastically endorse the Medicare for All Act of 2021. They continue to pressure U.S. lawmakers to co-sponsor single payer bills and encourage volunteers to contact their elected officials for their support. They also support Ro Khanna's State-Based Universal Healthcare Act.

They don't see an obvious or urgent path to passage at the federal level, so they push for Universal Healthcare at the state-level as well. They have a bill in the State legislature and are running an Initiative to the Legislature to create the Whole Washington Health Trust, the state-wide, publicly financed, not for profit, healthcare system in the U.S.

The 34th is offering this learning opportunity to help you understand this campaign. Join us on September 8th at 6:30 via Zoom. 34th member, volunteer communications director for the campaign and 34th Healthcare Caucus co-lead Jen Nye will present and answer questions. Later in the meeting we will vote on a resolution in support.



The 34th Reunion Picnic

At our usual spot at Shelter 3

Let's come together for a 34th Dems Reunion! It's been so long since we've been able to join together in community. The 34th will provide the main course (BBQ!) and cold drinks and we're planning to have a pie contest so pull out your best recipe!

More details to come. Attendees will be asked to bring a side dish to share. Candidates will mingle the crowd so you will be able to engage with them and show your support.

Please stay tuned for updates for this event!



We welcome the newest member of our 34th Democratic family.

Meet Zaya!

Zaya's mom and dad are members Shab and Jeff Sbaih. Jeff, of course, has been serving as our Equity & Social Justice Committee Chair for the past 2 years.

Congratulations to the Sbais!

A PSARA Webinar:

Defending Democracy in a Period of Far-Right Insurrection

Featuring Leonard Zeskind and Devin Burghart

Thursday, September 23, 5:00 pm

Leonard Zeskind is the founder of the Institute for Research and Education on Human Rights (IREHR) and author of *Blood and Politics: History of the White Nationalist Movement from the Margins to the Mainstream*. He and Devin Burghart, President of IREHR, will discuss the convulsions inside the white nationalist movement since January 6 and which sectors of this dangerous movement are growing the fastest. We will learn about the threats in Western Washington and how communities can respond to white nationalism and its onslaught on democracy.

Questions and answers will follow the presentation. The webinar will be facilitated by Cindy Domingo.

Co-sponsors include: AFT WA, AFT WA Retirees, Church Council of Greater Seattle, Faith Action Network (FAN), Fix Democracy First, LELO (Legacy of Equality, Leadership & Organizing), Pride at Work, Solidarity Over Supremacy Whidbey, UAW 4121, UFCW 21

To REGISTER for this important webinar click here:

<https://bit.ly/3BfUcbG>



Join other 34th'ers, members of the 33rd LD and our Burien candidates
at the

B-Town Fiesta

Saturday, September 25th, 10am-5pm

at the **Burien Town Square Park** 480 SW 152nd St.

We'll talk with our neighbors in Burien and register people to vote.

Contact outreach@34dems.org to help!



34th LD Democrats Member Survey

This is a monthly series of 34th Membership surveys that will help the leadership of the 34th understand and respond to the input of our membership. We will use the data collected ONLY to modify the way we conduct 34th business and activities going forward. Your responses are anonymous. PLEASE PROVIDE HONEST INPUT! The good, bad and ugly! Your input will make us STRONGER as an organization.

<https://bit.ly/Sept2021-Survey> Thank you for speaking up!

Your Executive Board Meeting
For September is
Wednesday 15, 7pm.

Please email the chair to join:

chair@34dems.org

34th Officer/Board Member Position Opening

Previous **Male KCDCC Alternate**, Richard O'Neill, has resigned as he is moving to another district, leaving an opening to help represent our LD at the county level, and have a seat on our Executive Board. Candidate must identify as male, or non-binary.

If you are interested in this role, please contact Carla Rogers

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Letters and Submitted Articles

We are Democrats, and like most Democrats we have strong opinions and like to express them. We welcome letters and articles.

All submissions are subject to editing. If submissions need to be shortened, you will be given the option of editing your own work.

Photos and notices of upcoming events are always welcome.

The deadline for the October newsletter will be Thursday, September 30, 2021

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In Case You Missed Our Last Meeting...



Burien Deputy Mayor Krystal Marx speaks of issues in her city.

Our endorsements continued at our August meeting on Zoom. Two of our endorsed candidates from the June meeting failed to advance to the November Election: Brianna Thomas running for Seattle Council, and Pete Holmes seeking another term as Seattle Attorney. Both finished third in their respective races.

Additionally in June, we failed to reach consensus and put our stamp on the Seattle Mayoral race and gave no endorsement for the Primary, although Lorena González received the most support in June. González and Bruce Harrell are both headed into the General Election, and in a rematch, González received our endorsement with over 76% of the vote.

The General Election matchups for Seattle City Attorney and the At-Large Council Position 9 left us with only one choice each. City Attorney candidate Nicole Thomas-Kennedy received our endorsement, as her opponent, Ann Davison is a Republican. Similarly, Sara Nelson was the only person eligible to be nominated as the other candidate, Nikkita Oliver, does not identify as a Democrat. Although Nelson was nominated, she did not obtain our endorsement.

We also endorsed Jennifer Fichamba for Highline School Director for Position 2.

Prior to the meeting we had a well-attended mini forum on the proposed Seattle Charter Amendment 29, which will be on the fall



Brandon Hersey is running for Seattle School Director in District 7.

ballot. It was drafted by Compassion Seattle, a group made up of civic leaders who initiated a paid signature gathering campaign earlier this summer. The amendment lays out a plan to solve the homeless crisis in the city, and the region. It has opposition from a group called House Our Neighbors, the ACLU, and other groups. The members voted to endorse a REJECT position.

Brandon Hersey spoke to his re-election campaign for Seattle School Board in District 7. He is filling out the remainder of the term of Betty Patu, who resigned in 2019. He will be seeking our endorsement. Although it is not our district, we will be able to vote in that race in November.

The Speak-Up-Survey was regarding meeting in person, and the likelihood members would be attending any of the new meeting spots listed on the survey or continue to use Zoom.

Treasurer Julie Whitaker presented a revised budget to better track our expenses, we have shifted to a fiscal year ending in April. The modifications will better fit our reality. Our membership now stands at 551, a result of the contest between 34th officials Dow Constantine and Joe Nguyen for County Executive.

All four of our Burien City Council made it through the Primary, all coming in first except for Hugo Garcia, who trailed in second place in his race for Position 1.

Changes to our campaign contribution budget distribution approved in June were needed as we did not endorse a new person in the Seattle City Council Position 9 race. We voted to evenly split that \$600 between the 4 Burien City Council candidates. We also gave \$150 to Jennifer Fichamba originally slated for a King County Superior Court race, as there was confusion over whether we could give to judicial candidates. There is a reserve of \$200 for future endorsees.

In other business we passed two initiatives. The [Resolution in Support of the Protecting the Right to Organize \(“PRO”\) Act](#). The PRO Act was passed in the U.S. House and drew substantial Senate support. It would strengthen the ability to organize, end Right-to-Work laws and provide other labor protections. The [Resolution on Sustainable Mobility](#) calls for 100% of the new carbon pricing revenue goes toward funding sustainable transportation methods.

Tight Races in Burien

- Hugo Garcia 46.40% (Barrett 50.94%) down 454 votes!
- Mayor Jimmy Matta 47.14% (Dorsey 40.71%) up 639 votes!
- Sarah Moore 46.38% (Simkis 40.38%) up 541 votes!
- Krystal Marx 33.45% (Mora 21.60%*)

* 5 conservative challengers totalled 66.36% and over 6k votes!

34.47% Voted

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This slide shows the challenge we face to maintain progressive leadership in Burien...your help is needed!

Endorsements for the General Election as of August 11, 2021

Seattle

Mayor
Lorena Gonzalez
 Seattle City Council – Citywide
Teresa Mosqueda - Pos. 8
 No Endorsement – Pos. 9

Seattle City Attorney
Nicole Thomas-Kennedy

King County

Executive
Dow Constantine
 King County Council
 Duel: **Dave Upthegrove** and **Shukri Olow** – Pos. 5

Port Commissioner

Dual: **Ryan Calkins** & **Norman Sigler** – Pos.1
Hamdi Mohamed – Pos. 3
Toshiko Hasegawa – Pos. 4

Burien City Council

Hugo Garcia – Pos. 1 **Sarah Moore** – Pos. 5
Jimmy Matta – Pos. 3 **Krystal Marx** – Pos. 7

Highline School Board

Jennifer Fichamba – Pos. 2

King County Superior Court

Andrea Robertson – Pos. 47

Ballot Initiative*

Seattle Charter Amendment 29
 —(Compassion Seattle): **REJECT**

***Editor’s Note:** Charter Amendment 29 won’t go before Seattle voters in November. On Friday, August 27, King County Superior Court Judge Catherine Shaffer ruled that it seeks to overturn the will of the state population as expressed through our state representatives in legislation. “That’s not how it works, she said.”

We need You to Help us Get Out the Vote!

Contact **Nick Bonazza** at **pco@34dems.org**

Resolution in Support of a Select Committee for Climate in the Seattle City Council

Whereas, 70% of greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs) come from cities* and Seattle is the largest city in the state; it is thus essential that Seattle reach its GHG reduction goals if King County and Washington State are to achieve their goals.

Whereas, citizens of Seattle need to see that the goals of the City's Green New Deal are being addressed in a systematic, transparent and effective way, with special consideration of underserved neighborhoods.

Whereas, achieving Seattle's climate goals will require legislation that is currently overseen by at least six different council committees, and six committees working separately cannot produce a coherent set of agreed-upon, city-wide goals, priorities and strategies for action.

Whereas, as a committee of the whole Council, a Select Committee will enable the establishment of consistent city-wide, multi-sector priorities for goals, strategies, actions, council staffing and work plans, and it would enable the Council to assess city-wide progress on GHG emission reductions that cut across multiple sectors in a way that no single standing Committee could accomplish, and

Whereas, since citizen participation is absolutely essential to the achievement of the City's climate goals, a Select Committee would enable citizens to understand, track and hold the Council accountable for achievement of those goals, and it would highlight, in a way that only a committee of the whole could, the central priority the City is giving to climate change.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the 34th Legislative District Democrats request that the Seattle City Council immediately form a Select Committee on Climate Change and Environmental Justice.

Therefore, be it further resolved that the Select Committee shall ensure agreement on priority strategies to achieve the City's GHG reduction goals, actions needed to accomplish the agreed City-initiated strategies, the schedule and budget allocations for implementation of essential actions, and a detailed plan for monitoring its success.

Submitted by Randy Litzenberger and Annie Phillips, Environmental Energy and Land Use caucus of the 34th Legislative District Democrats. Submitted and authored by members of the 43rd LD Democrats.

* World Bank report: "The International Energy Agency (IEA) estimates that urban areas currently account for over 67 percent of energy-related global greenhouse gases, which is expected to rise to 74 percent by 2030." Link: <http://siteresources.worldbank.org/INTUWM/Resources/340232-1205330656272/4768406-1291309208465/PartIII.pdf>

National Geographic article: "The world's cities emit 70 percent of the world's carbon dioxide—and that's likely higher when consumption emissions are included, says report author Michael Doust, program director at [C40 Cities](http://www.c40cities.org/), a network of the world's cities committed to addressing climate change." Link: <https://news.nationalgeographic.com/2018/03/city-consumption-greenhouse-gases-carbon-c40-spd/>

Greenhouse Gas Protocol for Cities: "Responsible for more than 70 percent of global energy-related carbon dioxide emissions, cities represent the single greatest opportunity for tackling climate change." Link: <https://ghgprotocol.org/greenhouse-gas-protocol-accounting-reporting-standard-cities>



Photos from the Boulevard Park Block Party - Back in the Street after Two years

The Outreach Committee was able to participate in a street fair after 2 years of shutdown. We registered voters and helped promote our Burien candidates. **The photo on the left:** Jennifer Fichamba, Highline School Board candidate, Burien Mayor Jimmy Matta, our own LD Chair Carla Rogers, and the Chair of the 33rd LD Terri Lindeke. **On the right:** Outreach Committee stalwart Doris Rahmig and Committee Co-Chair Karen Richter get materials ready for the crowds.

Resolution Supporting Whole Washington Health Trust

WHEREAS Article 25 of the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights sets forth that “Everyone has the right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well-being of himself and of his family, including food, clothing, housing and medical care and necessary social services, and the right to security in the event of unemployment, sickness, disability, widowhood, old age or other lack of livelihood in circumstances beyond his control” establishes a fundamental right to healthcare¹;

WHEREAS, in the Declaration of Independence, a foundational document of the Constitution of the United States, declares the responsibility of government to protect certain unalienable rights which include but are not limited to the preservation of “Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness” we conclude that healthcare is a prerequisite for the latter, and as such is indeed a human right;

WHEREAS in Washington State, 498,000 have no health coverage and even more residents are underinsured, and lives could be saved by ensuring access to healthcare;

WHEREAS COVID-19 demonstrates that healthcare should not be tied to employment;

WHEREAS the 2020 platform of the Washington State Democratic Party affirms that “healthcare is a basic human right,” and that “An affordable universal single-payer system is essential to provide the most equitable and effective health care, serving both individual and public health needs²” and;

WHEREAS the 2020 State Democratic Party Platform calls on “Washington State to establish a single-payer system for Washington residents until such time as a single-payer system is enacted nationally;”

WHEREAS a single-payer resolution was adopted by the Washington State Democratic Central Committee in April of 2017³;

WHEREAS people of color, people with disabilities, and low income people are the most likely to lack affordable, comprehensive healthcare⁴;

WHEREAS Whole Washington has crafted a bill⁵ (SB 5204), introduced by Senator Hasegawa and 6 other cosponsors, guaranteeing universal healthcare to all Washingtonians, with a funding mechanism devised by a noted economist, reviewed by the Department of Revenue and the Employment Securities Department, which demonstrates that Washington state residents will save billions of dollars annually when universal healthcare is implemented;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the 34th District Democrats endorse the Whole Washington universal healthcare bill;

THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the upon adoption of this resolution, it be sent to the *Seattle Times*, and all state representatives in the Washington Legislature.

1. http://www.un.org/en/udhrbook/pdf/udhr_booklet_en_web.pdf
2. <https://www.wa-democrats.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/WSDCC-2020-Final-Platform.pdf>
3. <https://www.wa-democrats.org/sites/wadems/files/resolutions/WSDCCRES%20-%20817%20-%20170422%20-%20PASS%20-%20HEA%20-%20Single%20Payer.pdf>
4. <http://www.epi.umn.edu/let/nutri/disparities/causes.shtm>
5. <http://www.wholewashington.org/faqs>

A 34th District Democrats Special Program on Redistricting



Alison McCaffree

A program on redistricting was presented on August 17, hosted by 1st Vice Chair Rachel Glass. Alison McCaffree presented a “101 course” on redistricting that touched on the census and how it will be used to redraw our district boundaries. The talk featured the history of Gerrymandering and its uses for political control, and on a few occasions to achieve racial equity. McCaffree’s grandmother was Mary Ellen McCaffree, a state representative who was a pioneer in redistricting in Washington State. Alison is founding director of the non-profit organization [Politics of the Possible](#), which is based on the writings and philosophy of her grandmother. She also represents the League of Women Voters in redistricting matters.

Watch this informative presentation on YouTube - [HERE](#)

What The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will Deliver for Washington

From The Washington State Democrats - President Biden and Vice President Harris support the Senate's passage of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, the largest long-term investment in our infrastructure and competitiveness in nearly a century. **The need for action in Washington is clear and recently released state-level data demonstrates that the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will deliver for Washington.** For decades, infrastructure in Washington has suffered from a systemic lack of investment. In fact, the American Society of Civil Engineers gave Washington a **C grade** on its infrastructure report card. The historic Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will make life better for millions of Washington residents, create a generation of good-paying union jobs and economic growth, and position the United States to win the 21st century. Specifically, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will:

- **Repair and rebuild our roads and bridges with a focus on climate change mitigation, resilience, equity, and safety for all users, including cyclists and pedestrians.** In Washington there are 416 bridges and over 5,469 miles of highway in poor condition. Since 2011, commute times have increased by 12.7% in Washington and on average, each driver pays \$659 per year in costs due to driving on roads in need of repair. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Framework will devote more than \$312 billion to transform our nation's transportation infrastructure and make it more resilient, including \$110 billion for roads, bridges, and major projects. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Framework is the single largest dedicated bridge investment since the construction of the interstate highway system. **Based on formula funding alone, Washington would expect to receive \$4.7 billion for federal-aid highway apportioned programs and \$605 million for bridge replacement and repairs under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act over five years**¹. Washington can also compete for the \$12.5 billion Bridge Investment Program for economically significant bridges and nearly \$16 billion of national funding in the bill dedicated for major projects that will deliver substantial economic benefits to communities.
- **Improve healthy, sustainable transportation options for millions of Americans.** Washingtonians who take public transportation spend an extra 72.9% of their time commuting and non-White households are 1.7 times more likely to commute via public transportation. 17% of trains and other transit vehicles in the state are past useful life. **Based on formula funding alone, Washington would expect to receive \$1.79 billion over five years under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to improve public transportation options across the state**².
 - ¹ These values are estimates and may change based on updated factor data each fiscal year.
 - ² Transit formula funding amounts are subject to changes resulting from the 2020 census or from annual transit service data reported to FTA's National Transit Database.
- **Build a network of EV chargers to facilitate long-distance travel and provide convenient charging options.** The U.S. market share of plug-in electric vehicle (EV) sales is only one-third the size of the Chinese EV market. The President believes that must change. The bill invests \$7.5 billion to build out the first-ever national network of EV chargers in the United States and is a critical element in the Biden-Harris Administration's plan to accelerate the adoption of EVs to address the climate crisis and support domestic manufacturing jobs. **Under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Washington would expect to receive \$71 million over five years to support the expansion of an EV charging network in the state**³. Washington will also have the opportunity to apply for the \$2.5 billion in grant funding dedicated to EV charging in the bill.
- **Help connect every American to reliable high-speed internet.** 8.5% of Washingtonians live in areas where, under the FCC's benchmark, there is no broadband infrastructure. Even where infrastructure is available, broadband may be too expensive to be within reach. 8.8% of Washington households do not have an internet subscription. **Under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Washington will receive a minimum allocation of \$100 million to help provide broadband coverage across the state, including providing access to the at least 241,000 Washingtonians who currently lack it. And, under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, 1,409,000 or 19% of people in Washington will be eligible for the Affordability Connectivity Benefit, which will help low-income families afford internet access.**

Over the coming days and weeks, we will expect to receive additional data on the impact of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act in Washington.

KC Democrats to Consider the Endorsement of Non-Democrats

On August 31st, the King County Democrats will be voting on a motion to change their rules to allow for the endorsement of candidates who are not Democrats. This is an issue that has been simmering for several years. Progressives such as Nikkita Oliver in Seattle and Cydney Moore in Burien have drawn interest from Democrats, but have been ineligible for party endorsement due to their preference to not be known as Democrats.

As this debate is taken up, State Chair Tina Podlodowski has reminded local organizations that they will be sanctioned if they supply NGP-VAN access to non-Democrats, nor would they be allowed to include them in our campaign literature or as part of canvassing. However, if Democrats do endorse non-Democrats they may attend that candidate's events.



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