

Minutes of the 34th District Democrats Board Meeting

March 15, 2023, held virtually on Zoom.

Attendees:

Graham Murphy, Rachel Glass, Jordan Crawley, Roxanne Thayer, Chris Porter, Bunny Hatcher, Ted Barker, Preston Anderson, Julie Whitaker, Steve Butts, Carla Rogers, Ann Martin, Dorothy Gesick, Gina Topp

7:05 pm – Call to Order by Chair Graham Murphy

- Agenda reviewed and approved by unanimous consent.
- Minutes from February meeting approved by unanimous consent.
- Chair spoke briefly about the Executive Board's upcoming team building and ideation session on March 18. Members are to bring a small work assignment to share. It will be at the Launchpad Co-Working space in the Morgan Junction.

Discussion about King County Proposition 1 – The Crisis Care Centers Levy

PCO Chair Dorothy Gesick expressed concern that the county wasn't promoting the levy enough, but she learned that there will now be a mailing to voters not initially planned. She felt we should make an effort to recruit volunteers for phone and text banking. Her inquiries about involuntary commitment procedures were not answered.

State Party Report – Given by Roxanne Thayer and Chris Porter, Committeepersons

- Roxanne Thayer will be on the State Party Modernization Committee.
- Chris Porter noted that the next meeting will be in Seattle on May 6. The Delegate Selection Plan is to be submitted to the DNC in April.

KCDCC Report – Given by Bunny Hatcher, Committeeperson

- The KCDCC Code of Conduct Committee has been reelected.
- PCOs were effective in helping to pass I-135 in Seattle. However, the levy for the Enumclaw School District was soundly defeated.
- King County Crisis Care Centers Levy was endorsed.
- Candidate Questionnaires are completed and will be submitted to the KCDCC for approval at the next meeting. Volunteers are needed to review the candidates' submissions as they are received.
- Candidate interviews will begin on April 15th. The 34th can have an additional member on the KCDCC Endorsement Committee.
- Chair Carrie Barnes stressed the importance of having a candidate to compete in every race.

Budget for the 2023 Fiscal Year. (May 2023-April 2024)

The budget will be submitted to the membership at the April meeting. The goal is to have approximately \$16,000 on hand at the end of the fiscal year in April 2024. Estimates of Income and major expense items, are as follows:

- Membership revenue: \$15,000
- Fundraising revenue: \$25,000

- Elections/Campaigns: \$14,500
- In-person membership meetings and holiday party expense: \$5,000
- Outreach expense: \$1,500

Members may move to make changes at the meeting.

Bunny Hatcher moved to adopt the budget; Dorothy Gesick seconded. The motion was carried by a voice vote.

Updates to the Governing Documents

Bylaws Chair Jordan Crawley walked through the changes he proposed including suggestion submittals from members to be made to the following documents:

- Executive Board Standing Rules
- Virtual Meeting Standing Rules
- Code of Conduct
- Bylaws

The board will approve changes to the Executive Board and the Virtual Meeting standing rules at the April board meeting. A 30-day notice of changes to members for review and comment is required prior to adoption by the board.

The Code of Conduct and Bylaws must be approved by two-thirds of the PCOs. These documents have been held over for more board discussion at the April meeting, then presented to the PCOs for adoption in May.

Good of the Order

Ann Martin gave notice that the West Seattle Democratic Women will be holding their meeting on April 23, 6pm on Zoom. Patsy Whitefoot will speak on "Beyond the Land Acknowledgement"

Carla Rogers needs a tentative Outreach events list to send out to members to increase volunteer involvement. She would also like us to submit items of interest for weekly emails to members.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.