

46th District Democrats Executive Board Meeting minutes
Olympic View Church, Seattle WA
January 2, 2007

Attending: Scott White, Jan Ames, Pat Emerson, Betty Means, David Garcia, Justin Simmons, John Webber, Chad Lupkes, Sarajane Siegfriedt, Barbara Whitt, Stan Sorscher, Sylvia Haven, Donna Boysen, Dean Fournier, Mike Thompson, and Bev Marcus

Scott White called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

This is the last Executive board meeting before the re-organizing meeting. Scott thanked everyone for a great effort. Our membership is up, we are on budget, and our PCO network is strong.

State Party Report: John Webber sent out the State Party report in email. The State re-organization meeting will be at the end of January 26-27 in Olympia. The deadline for resolutions is January 12th.

King County Report: Sarajane is attending King County Legislative Action Committee meetings, They get 25-40 people at libraries around the county. The next LAC meeting is January 21, 2 PM at the Burien Library. The LAC meets on third Sundays. Tina Shamseldin and Scott White are co-chairs. Lobby Day, PCO training, and crab feed will be February 19 (President's Day), this year.

Treasurer's Report: Gail Chiarello is in Europe. Donna Boysen is going to Afghanistan, soon. Copies of the budget were passed out. We wanted to carry over \$2500, and we ended at \$5792. Jim McIntire made a contribution earmarked for developing volunteers and PCO's to help build a grassroots organization. The holiday party was a successful fund-raiser. Membership was above budgeting targets in all categories.

Membership Report: Betty Means said we have 233 voting members already for the new year, with 141 PCO's in 221 precincts.

Discussion items:

The holiday party went well, and the Meadowbrook Community Center was a good venue. Scott thanked the planning committee for organizing the event - in particular Barbara Whitt for bringing lots of great food. The auction items were popular and reasonably priced.

Scott said he will stand for re-election. Other Board members will, too. Betty will work on procedures for signing in, getting credentials and ballots, and running the elections. Betty will need some volunteers to help check people in. Dean Fournier will help tally votes. Scott expects Javier Valdez to get the meeting

started. The Bylaws printed in the Demogram clarify the procedure in the event of ties, and that document states that one candidate can be elected to each office.

Sylvia Haven asked how the Demogram editor is chosen. Scott said the Chair appoints the editor - that position is not an elected position. Sylvia and Scott discussed the responsibilities of the editor. Chad Lupkes said we could put articles and reports on the web site, even if they don't make the Demogram production cycle. Bev Marcus suggested getting the Demogram electronically, on an "opt-in" basis. Scott says many people already get the Demogram electronically. Betty noticed that our Demogram printing and mailing costs are much more than our total contributions to candidates.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 PM

Minutes by Stan Sorscher