

CLALLAM COUNTY DEMOCRATS EXECUTIVE BOARD

June 20, 2013, at CCD Headquarters, Port Angeles

Attendance: Pat Johansen, Patsy Feeley, Nina Richards, Sylvia Hancock, Kris Grier, Carlyn Syvanen (proxy for Steve Vause), John Marrs; and Ed Grier, Scott Clausen, Bill Lowman, Marcia Farrell and Norma Turner.

The meeting was called to order at 3 p.m, by Chair Pat Johansen.

- The agenda was approved without objection on a motion by Ed Grier (2nd by Kris Grier).
- The minutes of the previous Executive Board meeting were approved as read without objection on a motion by Sylvia Hancock (2nd Ed Grier).
- Kris Grier gave the Treasurer's Report (appended). He reported balances of \$3,649.81 in the Limited account and \$6,949.81 in the Unlimited account.

Chair and Committee Reports:

- Chair Johansen discussed party participation in local chambers of commerce. She said she has been attending the Sequim Chamber. She suggested that participation in chambers of commerce can help the party's outreach in our communities. Scott Clausen, who is an officer in the Sequim Chamber, said he encourages party participation at the chambers. Sylvia Hancock worried that it could be dangerous if a representative espoused views at the chamber that countered or confused party positions.

The chair also reported that the CCD Headquarters Open House was well attended with about 35 persons on hand, including Rep. Steve Tharinger and Sequim Mayor Ken Hayes.

- The chair announced her appointment of Bill Lowman as office manager. Lowman reported that he is working to complete office staffing and that the office computer had been set up by Andrew Shogren. At the present time, he said the office is open and staffed part-time on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
- Marcia Farrell reported for the Roosevelt Dinner Committee that a new date has been set, Aug. 17, 2013, in order to accommodate all members of our Congressional delegation, hopefully including an appearance by U.S. Sen. Patty Murray. The dinner will be held at the Red Lion in Port Angeles.
- Sylvia Hancock reported on membership. She said the county party now has more than 60 paid members. It was also reported that Scott Clausen is establishing a membership database. There was also an unresolved general discussion regarding

use of such a database. Chair Johansen said she was willing to continue the discussion by participating in a meeting with the Membership Committee.

- Marcia Farrell reported that party members would be marching in the Forks and Port Angeles parades on Independence Day. [The Forks commitment was later dropped due to lack of sufficient interest.] Kris Grier pointed out that there will also be a Joyce Daze parade in August.
- Chair Johansen reported that the party had been asked by the organizers to not participate in the Irrigation Festival this year but suggested that we can find ways to participate next year. She postponed discussion of planning for a booth at the County Fair.
- Norma Turner reported that the CCD Central Committee has elected precinct committee officers in 31 of 64 county voting precincts. Bill Lowman and Norma Turner said they were working on recruiting others for appointments as PCO in vacant precincts, and Chair Johansen said appointments would be made and presented for confirmation at later meetings.
- Chair Johansen said that Planned Parenthood is observing its 50th anniversary, and asked if it would be a good idea to pursue booking a speaker who appears at the county's PP observance to also offer an evening program for CCD. She asked for favorable consensus from the board, which responded positively.

The chair also asked for consensus and won a positive response for her suggestion to invite David Groves to offer a program.

- Chair Johansen asked board members to think about the possibility of sponsoring a garage sale fundraiser.
- Scheduling meetings. Sylvia Hancock (Patsy Feeley 2nd) moved that the CCD Executive Board meet at regular times monthly and that the CCD hold general business meetings at least every other month. The motion passed unanimously with no stated objections. The chair said she would work up a schedule to be posted, and that she would aim to hold the next Executive Board meeting on July 9.
- Regarding communication with party members and other interested persons, Sylvia Hancock said she would donate the fees to start a Constant Comment subscription for the CCD. Scott Clausen volunteered to check on ways the account could be set up in a business-like fashion that would not violate members' privacy concerns.

The chair adjourned the meeting at 4:55 p.m.