

CLALLAM COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE BOARD
JAN. 28, 2013, at headquarters in Port Angeles

Attendees: Pat Johansen, Roger Fight, Barbara Jepson, Julie Johnson, Ron Richards Kris Grier, Ed Grier, Earl Archer, Graham Hutchins, Paula Doherty, Ron Johnson Jr., Pam Stinson, Norma Turner, Gene Turner, Becky Archer, Patti Morris, Scott Clausen, Tanya Alstatt Menchaca, Franklin Ides, Mayree Lowman, Steve Vause, Patsy Bain, Marcia Farrell and John Marrs.

The meeting was called to order at 11:10 a.m. by Chair Pat Johansen.

The approval of the minutes was waived, because the recording secretary had not yet arrived.

Treasurer's Report: Kris Grier said the party has \$7,253.12 in its unlimited account and \$1,544.57 in its limited account.

The chair reported that she and Vice Chair Roger Fight had met with the headquarters landlords and discussed needs for improvements. She said the landlords are agreeable to replacing carpeting, improve lighting in the back room, upgrading the restroom for handicapped accessibility, and installing a dishwashing sink in the front room. The chair said they also stated "we will never raise the rent."

- Precinct Committee Officer appointments by the chair.

The chair reported that the Central Committee has 28 elected Precinct Committee Officers. She hopes through appointments to approach the maximum of 68, and asked the Executive Board to confirm three appointments: Jay Garrett (Dry Creek), Alice McElry (Macleay 247) and Thomasine Schwendt (O'Brien 253).

After some discussion regarding potential alternate appointees, there were motions to reconsider, but one of these motions was withdrawn and the other died for lack of a second. The appointments of McElry and Schwendt were then confirmed by a voice vote. The Dry Creek appointment was neither confirmed nor rejected.

- County Democratic Club merger proposal.

Vice Chair Fight, as chair of the Bylaws Committee, explained that new bylaws or major revisions of the old bylaws are needed to enable the Central Committee to merge with the County Democratic Club, which was about to cease to exist but which has funds available for use by the party. He explained that the committee decided to propose the adoption of a new set of bylaws modeled after those in effect in Jefferson County, which has an integrated party structure, as do most counties in the state.

Earl Archer moved to recommend adoption of the bylaws and the merger of the club and the County Central Committee. Ed Grier seconded.

Earl uged a positive vote because he said the merger would broaden the party's base in ways that will make the party more effective and bring us in line with county parties around the state. The club also has \$5,248.26 in its account. "It is the feeling of the board of the club that this money should be put in the general account of the party so that it is available to keep the headquarters open...," he said.

Voice vote: Yes with no nays; no abstentions noted.

Roger Fight moved that the board recommend adoption of the proposed bylaws without amendment to become effective at the conclusion of the Central Committee meeting with a charge to the Bylaws Committee to take input from interested parties until Feb. 28, 2013, and then come back to the Executive Board with recommended amendments no later than April 30, 2013. Earl Archer seconded.

Ron Richards (participating as proxy for Nina Richards) suggested that there were some questionable provisions in the proposed bylaws that should not be adopted so fast, in particular regarding consideration of the endorsement of candidates.

Vice Chair Fight and others emphasized that all such suggestions would be considered in the near term long before they would have any practical effect.

Voice Vote: Yes with no nays; no abstentions noted.

- Office Computer: Pat Johansen noted that Sylvia Hancock is donating \$500 toward purchase of an office computer.

Julie Johnson moved that the board authorize the chair to obtain a computer at up to \$1,000. Earl Archer seconded.

Voice vote: Yes with no nays; no abstentions noted.

The Executive Board meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.