

CLALLAM COUNTY DEMOCRATS

Executive Board meeting, July 18, 2014, at party headquarters, Port Angeles

Attendance: Roger Fight, Marcia Farrell, Kris Grier, John Marrs, Nina Richards, Ken Hays, LeRoy Martin, Barbara Jepson, Patsy Feeley, Steve Vause, Ed Grier, Richard Jepson.

Chair Roger Fight called the meeting to order at 11:34 a.m.

Agenda was approved on a voice vote after a motion by Ken Hays (2nd Marcia Farrell).

Treasurer's report: Unlimited acct., \$4,658.96; Limited, \$7,223.64. Treasurer noted that these totals come after purchase of a TV for the office and a campaign donation to Sissi Bruch.

Chair's report: WAmend came up a little short on signatures for initiative campaign; Norma Turner planning to arrange a meeting of non-ideological candidates for Charter Review Commission; Ric Mahurin is going to oversee County Fair booth and Nina Richards to help with staffing.

Endorsements:

Chair briefed all on history of Van de Wege non-endorsement and negotiations with him and his options at this point. Discussion included whether Sen. Hargrove might hold a similar view as Van de Wege, but Patsy Feeley said she was unsure. Discussion continued over Rep. Van de Wege's position. Richard Jepson said he thinks it's partly political in that he wants the gun vote. Chair pointed out that there is nothing more we can do until Van de Wege makes a move.

Judge Porter wants our endorsement now also, and the chair said he apparently insists on asking for it. Mixed views expressed on whether we should invite Porter to formally ask for an endorsement. General expression that the membership would not endorse him anyway. John Marrs moved (Martin 2nd) that the board urges the chair to not grant Judge Porter agenda time for the purpose of seeking endorsement. Vote: Aye, voice vote, with no objections or abstentions stated. It was noted that the motion does not prevent other ideas, such as holding a debate between the judicial candidates.

The chair said he does not intend to respond positively to a request by Mark Nichols for a program spot. The consensus of the meeting appeared to support this intention.

State committee reports:

Committeewoman sent in an electronic copy of the state meeting minutes.

Parade committee: Marcia said we had good turnouts at Forks and Port Angeles for July 4, and four people marched later at Clallam Bay. Quileute parade this Saturday; Joyce and Neah Bay in August.

Fundraising — Marcia said Friday, Aug. 8, there will be a lunch event for Maria Cantwell starting at 11:30 a.m. at Red Lion in P.A. There is room for only 100, and about 50 seats already reserved.

Roosevelt Dinner scheduled Sept. 27 in evening at Red Lion. Few details pinned down so far.

New business:

Vice Chair Marcia proposes a lifetime achievement award be presented to Mike Doherty, retiring county commissioner, at Roosevelt Dinner. (Ed Grier 2nd) All were in favor on a voice vote.

Next meeting of Clallam County Democrats and Central Committee scheduled for Aug. 9 at P.A. headquarters at 10 a.m.

Next executive board meeting on Aug. 15, 11:30 a.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:35 p.m.