

CCDCC EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING, JAN. 13, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pat Johansen at 2:08 p.m. at Democratic Party headquarters in Port Angeles.

Attendance: Board members Pat Johansen, Roger Fight, John Marrs, Derek Medina, Kris Grier, Sylvia Hancock, Nina Richards, Leroy Martin, Ed Grier, Ron Johnson Jr., and Barbara Jepson; and others, Scott Clausen, Marcia Farrell, Mike Doherty, Paula Doherty, Tanya Altstatt Menchaca, Ron Richards and Andrew Shogren.

The agenda was approved by consensus without objection.

Consideration of the minutes of the previous executive board meeting was waived, because those minutes were temporarily not available.

REPORTS

Report of the Chair: Pat Johansen said that the 24th Legislative District's Democratic reorganization meeting would be held Jan. 20 at CCDCC headquarters, and requested a hospitality budget of up to \$30. Sylvia Hancock moved that the chair be authorized to spend up to \$30 and to be reimbursed accordingly. Nina Richards seconded. Approved on a voice vote without objection.

Treasurer Kris Grier reported that CCDCC accounts had not changed since the previous week's Central Committee meeting, with \$7,965 in the unlimited account and \$1544.57 in the limited account. He also reported that CCDCC had received donations for headquarters support from the Kilmer and van de Wege campaigns, and from Organizing for America. Roger Fight noted that Democratic Club members were contributing from \$200-\$300 a month in pledges.

Report of the Corresponding Secretary and Communications Committee: Derek Medina said that Paula Doherty has agreed to serve on the committee to manage the web site and John Marrs has agreed to handle news media relations and releases. Chair Johansen said she intends that the corresponding secretary's job will supplant the need for a separate communications director to be appointed to the executive board.

Appointment of Communications Committee: The chair said that she wishes to have all committee appointments confirmed by the executive board. Appointments to the Communications Committee (as noted above) were then confirmed by consensus without a formal motion.

Office Issues/Office Management: The board engaged in a general discussion about the usage and support for the headquarters office in Port Angeles. The chair said she would begin establishment of a headquarters committee by appointing herself as an active member, rather than only ex-officio. There was general agreement that the board should have discussions with the landlords to determine what improvements the landlords might be willing to make to bring the entry and the restroom up to ADA standards, to install a kitchen-quality sink for hosting events, and to replace the carpeting. The chair said that we need better furniture, a new conference table (to replace the one that had been lent but was now removed) and an office computer dedicated to the party's business.

Staffing: It was noted that for the time being we have a schedule of staffing volunteers who open the office on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. (Hours were not specified.)

Action: Kris Grier moved, Sylvia Hancock seconded, that the executive board set continuation of the current office space as one of its goals. The motion passed with a single no vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Merger of Clallam County Democratic Club with Clallam County Central Committee: Roger Fight moved and Derek Medina seconded that "the Bylaws Committee be asked to bring proposed

bylaws that will facilitate the merger with the Democratic Club to the chair at least six days prior to the next meeting of the Central Committee with a recommendation that they be voted on at that meeting.” In answer to questions about the status of the club at present, Vice Chair Fight said the club is “not viable” at this time and that its membership had voted to empower its officers to negotiate a merger with the CCDCC. Action: The motion passed on a voice vote with one abstention.

Bylaws Committee: Chair Johansen asked the board to confirm her appointment of Ed Grier, John Marrs, Derek Medina, Norma Turner, Roger Fight and Pasty Feeley (if she later allows that she is willing and able to serve) to the Bylaws Committee. The appointments were confirmed by consensus without objection.

Discussion of meeting calendars for Executive Board and Central Committee: The discussion focused on holding regular monthly meetings for the Executive Board at a time that would be convenient for the most members, in addition to the quarterly CCDCC meetings. No decisions were made.

Voter Identification Committee: Chair Johansen noted that she does not yet have any of the records on voter identification from the previous administration, but she said she believes that Clallam County is “behind” in this work. She said she is appointing Sylvia Hancock and Andrew Shogren to lead this work. (There was no formal action at this time to confirm their appointments.)

Budget planning: The chair said she hopes to appoint a budget committee for the treasurer, and that she hopes the budget committee and the fundraising committee will work together.

Other business: Leroy Martin and Marcia Farrell announced that they are making trips to Washington, D.C., to attend the presidential inauguration. Ron Johnson said that his mother, State Committeewoman Julie Johnson, will be visiting Washington, D.C., in March.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4 p.m.

Minutes submitted by John Marrs, recording secretary.