

Polk County Democrats Central Committee Minutes
February 14, 2008, 7:00 PM
Salem Electric Building, West Salem, Oregon

Present: Susanne Price, Linda Williams CynthiAnn Schaible, Lisanne Pearcy, David Papen, Jackie Pierce, Wendy Brokaw, Timothe Seelbach, Theresa Levy, Marylyn May, Dick May, Jason Brown, Steve Mulligan, Gary Deming, Bruce Bornholdt, Pat Wheeler, Kathy Smits, Wayne Kinney, Carl Fish, Wm. Glen LaMar, Marianne Timshell, Michael Timshell, Gloria Holland (Smith), Alan Holland.

Chair Alan Holland began the meeting at 7:01 pm. The chair asked for and made changes to the agenda.

The chair introduced Aaron Felton, candidate for Polk County District Attorney.

The chair introduced the guest speaker, Wayne Kinney, representing the Democratic National Committee, who discussed the Delegate Selection Process for the Democratic National Convention.. For more information, contact Mr. Kinney at Wayne@DPO.org .

Chair Alan Holland called the business meeting to order at 8:40 pm. The minutes of the last meeting were approved by acclamation.

Financial Report: Linda Williams reported that the Polk County Democrats have \$7160 in the bank, with a few small outstanding debts

Committee Reports:

A. Executive: Alan announced that the March 5, 2008 fundraising event at Buena Vista House is set.

Alan also announced that a flag that flew over the Nation's Capitol today will be sent to the Polk County Democrats by Rep. Darlene Hooley.

B. Candidate Development: Timothe Seelbach reported that candidate funding was the focus of discussion at a meeting at Rich Riggs' home. More work will be done on February 21 at Suzi Price's home. Interested people are invited to attend.

C. Platform: Jason Brown reported that at the legislature, during this extra session, many meetings are taking place, but funding will be short this year.

Alan Holland reported that there will be a caucus to be held April 12-14 to develop a State Party Platform, and asked for people to volunteer to get together on February 23 to develop a county party platform in preparation for the April Caucus. Anyone interested needs to contact Alan.

Alan also reported that the Oregon State Central Committee of the Democratic Party passed two resolutions on February 10, 2008:

- Res 2007-033, Supporting Open Source Software for Electronic Vote Counting
- Res 07-037, Calling for the impeachment of President George W. Bush and Vice President Richard Cheney

D. Events: Kathy Smits reported on perspective topics for future meetings. Also, Kathy is working to contact the 450 people in Polk County who do not have working e-mails. She asked for volunteers to make calls to these people. Suzi Price, Jackie Pierce, CynthiAnn Schaible, and Dick May volunteered.

Other: David Papen reported that the goal in each precinct should be to increase voter registration by 5%. April 29 is the last day to register to vote in the May 20, 2008 primary election.

Alan recommended that everyone sign up for the Neighbor to Neighbor Program. Forms are available on-line, or contact Alan.

The chair introduced Carl Fisher from Western Oregon University Student Democrats who reported that students are having a student mock caucus, and they need money to buy political signs. He asked for \$100. The event will be held on campus on March 6 at 6:00 pm at the Columbia Room, Werner University Center.

Jason Brown moved to contribute \$100 to WOU Democrats for their upcoming caucus event. The motion passed.

Lizanne Percy reminded people to sell tickets to the Pentacle Fundraiser.

The Squantum Whiffle fundraiser was discussed. Jason Brown moved to release the reservation at Dancing Oaks Nursery for the Squantum Whiffle. The motion passed.

Alan stated that the calendar has been updated.
March 15 is the next scheduled litter patrol pick-up.

The next meeting will be held on March 13, 7:00 pm at Christ Church, Monmouth, Oregon, with social time beginning at 6:30.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 pm.

Gloria Holland (Smith), PCD Secretary