## MINUTES POLK COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE March 2, 2017

- **1. Approve Agenda -** Changes made to agenda. George Neujahr move the agenda. Shannon Cockayne seconds. Motion Approved.
- 2. Approve Minutes June 1st approval tabled until we have paper copies.
- 3. Chair Report Evan Sorce finishing legislative session.
- 4. **Candidate Support -** Shannon Cockayne debriefed. Talked about fielding a candidate for HD 23. Speaking with other counties to bolster support. Discussed options for Polk County Commissioner positions. A focus is on higher offices.
- 5. **Events Committee -** Focused on Western Days. Briefly discussed Summerfest and Polk County Fair.
- 6. **Executive Committee -** George Neujahr debriefed on the last Executive Committee meeting.
- 7. **Budget Report -** Linda WIlliams Discussed. \$879.94 to \$906.89. Money raised from in-kind donation and event sales.
- 8. **Western Days Debrief -** Less foot traffic. Possibly due to being during weekdays. Attitudes were more positive to our volunteers. Need an electronic system for accepting donations. Looking into utilizing Square to fill the need.
  - Julia Brown discussed the float. Julia prepared many slogan banners for the parade. The focus was to show what Democrats support. Tobias Read and Representative Paul Evans joined the float.
- 9. **Debrief Summer into Action -** Was a success. Many people attended. Signed up many people for potential Neighborhood Leader Program.
- 10. SCC Debrief Harney County just formed, already working hard and are enthusiastic. Broke up the caucus schedule to allow for more people to attend. Many resolutions were adopted and can be found on the DPO website. One

opposing initiative 22. Call for a statewide carbon tax to fund green energy projects. Support for joining Climate Agreement.

Shannon Cockayne - LGBT has renamed itself Stonewall Caucus.

Steve Emerson - Gun Caucus has elected new leadership. The rural caucus discussed getting help from the DPO to assist financially in reaching out to rural areas. Discussed KBOO doing a rural news segment.

Amanda Deyerle - She attended the Young Democrats caucus. They are coordinating a lot with the college democrat groups. They are excited about 2018. Looking to field younger candidates for lower level positions. Local Events and Fair committee had a large focus on state fair. Discussed some of the more localized fairs.

Many potential people running against Walden were there. Four candidates that looked promising.

Next Meeting August 5th and August 6th in Tillamook. Chair Jeanne Atkins will be altering the format of the SCC.

- 11. **Website and Calendar -** George discussed updates. All interested PCPs will be able to add events.
- 12. **Announcements/Updates -** Members discussed upcoming events, talked about concerns, and made announcements.
- 13. **Adjournment -** George Moves to adjourn, Steve Emerson seconds. Meeting adjourned.