

MINUTES  
POLK COUNTY  
DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE  
March 2, 2017

6:45 Welcome and Introductions, quote of the month

In attendance: See attached.

1. **Approve Agenda** - George Neujahr moves to approve agenda, after changes were made; Steven Bell seconded. Motion approved.
2. **Approval of previous minutes** - tabled until next April 6th meeting.
3. **Chair Report** - Discussed Kurt Schrader calls. Schrader discussed the ACA repeal and his opposition to it. Discussed budget issues; beach monitoring for pollution may be in danger with new budget. Schrader looking for moderate Republicans to help oppose these cuts. Very committed to working across the aisle to help pull moderate Republicans across the aisle. Evan Sorce asked about lack of Polk County Town hall during call, schedule did not allow for it was the reply.
4. **Executive committee Report** - George Neujahr briefed the body about previous executive meeting
5. **Budget Report** - Balance \$902.82
6. **Summerfest and Western Days discussion** - Amanda Deyerle discussed fees associated with tabling. \$200 for Western Days, \$150 for Summerfest. Western Days is a 4th of July event, Polk Dems always have a booth. Great outreach and support from community. Summerfest similar event for Dallas, 27th to 29th of July. Polk Dems have been absent. Outlet fee for summerfest an additional \$40 fee. Paul Evans offered to pay for half of Western Days. Discussed raffling a super soaker. Amanda will be donating super soaker. Alan stressed the importance of engaging the public, the great experience that these events can provide for the State Fair booth, and how we help fill the the schedule at the state fair booth.. Volunteers receive a pass on volunteer days.. Jackie Pierce stressed the importance of showing up for any shifts signed up for. Evan Sorce discussed

need to staff booth for Polk County fair. Wanda Davis moves to approve budget for \$250 application fees for Summerfest and Western Days, Steve Emerson Second. Motion passes.

7. **State Central Committee** - Marion County fundraiser March 25th at Willamette Valley Vinyards, cost \$35. Polk County will auction baskets at said fundraiser. Evan Sorce asked that he be contacted if anyone has a basket to provide for meeting. SCC meeting will be at Judson Middle School in Salem. Discussed events at SCC meeting and that they are open to public. Caucus meetings Saturday and voting for delegates to take place Sunday. Reorganization meeting to take place Sunday. Amanda discussed a meeting for CD-5, will be taking place the Saturday of Caucus meetings. Standing Committee and planning meetings will also take place on Saturday. Can register at DPO.org. Discussed what kind of donations would be appropriate for a basket to raffle. Save receipts as in-kind donations are required to be reported to Linda Williams.
8. **Debriefed highway cleanup** - 8 people attended. Discussed items found while cleaning. Discussed May 21st as possible date for next highway clean up.
9. **Nathan Solz** - Campaigning for DPO secretary. He was a student from WOU Vice chair of Jackson county, vice chair for Latino Caucus, and worked for state legislators.. Stressed importance of upcoming elections and the needs of small counties. Acted as secretary and chair of Latino caucus for two years.
10. **Sonny Meheta** - Did not attend. Amanda discussed Renew Oregon's effort to promote clean energy bills and bills that promote clean jobs.
11. **Discussion about SCC delegate conflict** - Alan Holland introduces Motion ---attached to end of minutes-- Jackie Pierce Seconds. Discussion about being out of compliance with bylaws. Shannon Cockayne suggests tabling until next election cycle to help clarify for next election cycle. Evan Sorce suggests referring to rules committee. Need clarification about bylaws. Timothy has June 5, 2015. Paul Evans suggests tabling to a work group. Alan Holland withdraws motion. Evan referred to bylaws committee.
12. **Drinking Liberally**- Shannon discussed, Friday March 3rd at the brew 6 PM. Located in Independence
13. **Shout Outs** - Wanda Davis discussed - SB 868 -- Wanda asked interested parties to call office of Boquist if you support (503) 986 1712. Possible House

Committee on Healthcare meeting at 8 AM discussed. Committee meeting potentially at Capitol Friday March 3rd.. Evan discussed bill tracker for, a resource to track information through the Oregon legislature. Danny Jaffer discussed letters to the editor and shared reply from his letter to the editor. Paul Evans addressed folks that are newer to meetings; discussed policies and issues happening at a national level. Paul Evans challenged these folks to bring friends to help lead to direct actions. Paul Evans discussed the reaction of lawmakers to their constituents. It is important to build the base. Timothe Seelbach discussed the effort to send a million postcards to Trump on the 15th of March. Julia Brown holding a drummer's tea/card party on March 9th. Nathan - March 11 hosting party for DPO elections. Carolynne Franks discussed an irritation with constant money asks, the importance of contacting advertisers for sites such as Breitbart - companies are open to suggestions and helps hit unsavory groups in the pockets. Encouraged to visit action together Oregon. Importance to call in to legislators. Jackie Pierce shared daily action phone number (844)241-1141. George Neujahr stressed importance of signing in to meetings. Evan Sorce will be adding new PCPs to the next meetings agenda. As group discussed upcoming Salem schoolboard elections. Shannon Cockayne discussed zone 3 and zone 1 candidates. Discussed deadlines for Independence district school board election. Evan Sorce discussed new chair, Tom Perez, being elected to DPO. Perez is a labor advocate, worked hard as labor secretary. Evan Sorce discussed the importance as coming together as democrats and working together to stop all the ground lost in the past decade. Special election in ward 6 Salem city council. Canvassing this weekend for members.

#### **14. Discussed upcoming community events**

15. **Motion to adjourn** - George Neujahr , Steve Emerson Seconds. Meeting adjourns

Next meeting will be held at Independence City Library at 6:30 PM, April 6th.

Motion:

Whereas: The P.D.CC elected DPO SCC delegates without regard to the obligations in the PCD By-Laws of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. The By-Laws specifically require the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson to fulfill the responsibility of service as a delegate to the SCC. Polk County is allowed 3 total voting delegates 0 2 are the chief elected officers of the Polk Dems with a third delegate and 3 alternates elected from the general membership.

Motion: I move 1) PCD vote to declare void the SCC election of Nov. 09, 2016 Void, with a new vote to bring us into compliance with our own By-Laws and guidelines of the DPO.