



Executive Board Meeting

May 20, 2024, 7-8:30 PM

Online via Zoom

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DRAFT AGENDA

1. Call to order (Tim)
2. Seek motion to approve of this agenda and the prior minutes (Alysia)
3. Continuous improvement discussion (Tim)

Our job is to get more people to vote for Democrats, and we're a mid-sized all-volunteer organization with a core of committed volunteers who do most of the work.

- a) What are we doing well and should continue doing?
 - b) What can we do better, to get more people to vote for Democrats?
 - c) Who could take a lead on any potential next steps identified during our discussion?
4. ACTION: Form a search committee for Community Liaison (Donna)
We now have nametag-sized badges for community liaisons. Some are just the logo and "Clark County Democrats" (like the sign outside our office), and others have that and also say "Community Liaison." We need someone to lead the Community Liaison function, including: keep track of who our liaison is for each group is (eg, LULAC, NAACP, Labor Round Table, Sierra Club, etc.); ask them to be sure to attend regularly; wear the badge identifying themselves as our liaison; listen and be a good ally; and build positive relationships.
 5. ACTION: Seek the following motion (Chuck)
"The Clark County Democrats Executive Board endorses the 18th Legislative District's resolution to the Washington State Democratic Party in support of high quality care for foster youth."
(See resolution below, Attachment A.)
 6. The Four Fundamentals
 - a) Consistent Messaging (Patricia)
ACTION: Form a team to handle translating our new Unity Platform

b) Win With 10! Update and Next Steps (Heidi)

c) Ogden Dinner (Holly or Matt)

Saturday, August 24, 5-9 PM, Vancouver Hilton, Featuring Lt. Gov. Denny Heck as MC and keynotes by Rep. Marie Gluesenkamp Perez, Lt. Gov. Bob Ferguson, and Sen. Maria Cantwell

ACTION: Seek the following motion, "The Clark County Democrats Executive Committee requests that the 49th, 17th, 18th, and 20th Legislative District to advertise the link to buy Ogden Dinner tickets and promote early purchases of tickets."

d) Sustaining donors: Update and Next Steps (Elaine or Matt)

7. Old Business

a) Come to the Forward Friday in May! (Hector)

8. New Business

a) Consider setting a regular cycle for Forward Fridays to rotate to each LD (Donna and Hector)

9. Announcements and good of the order

10. Next steps and adjournment

ATTACHMENT A:

Resolution in support of codifying into law and fully funding high quality care and best practices for the youth in the Washington State Foster Care System.

Whereas: There are approximately 8,000 children living in out-of-home care in Washington state. (citation 1)

Whereas: Children and Youth in foster care, both in Washington and nationwide, tend to have poorer outcomes than other children and youth, including: one-third of children or youth in foster care in Washington State who age out of foster care become homeless within three years; researchers have found that between 31% and 46% of youth exiting foster care experience homelessness by age 26. A study conducted in Washington State found that approximately one quarter of youth that exited foster care at age 17 or older became homeless within 12 months of exit. (citation 2)

Whereas: Young adults in Foster Care in Washington State graduate from high school at a rate of 53%, compared to 82% of the general student population. (citation 3)

Whereas: Studies have found that just 3-4% of former foster youth obtain a four-year college degree. And between 2 and 6% receive a two-year degree. (citation 4)

Whereas: Nationwide, about 80% of youth in foster care receive a psychiatric or mental health diagnosis compared to the fact that only 20% of non-foster children have mental health issues within the general population. (citation 5)

Whereas: Washington State statistics show that nearly one in four young adults will be arrested within one year of aging out of foster care. (citation 6)

Whereas: The National Foster Youth Institute reported that 7 out of 10 girls who age out of foster care become pregnant by 21 years old. What is clear is that young women in foster care, and those who have aged out, are at a much greater risk of teen pregnancy than those with stable family life. This rate is 2.75 times higher than the general population. (citation 7)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington State Democratic Central Committee

endorses and urges the Washington State Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) to implement, and our legislators to pass legislation to codify law and fully fund high quality care and best practices for foster youth until age 26.

ATTACHMENT B

Full list of measurable goals

- LD17 adding 4,000 democratic votes above current base
- LD18 adding 5,000 democratic votes above current base
- LD49 adding 3,710 democratic votes above current base
- Recruit 100 Voter Contact Volunteers
- Double number of PCOs (from 65 on January 1 to 130 by Dec 31)
- 100% of PCOs and VCVs actively conducting voter outreach (or for PCOs, alternative work of their choice)
- Sustaining donors drive exceeding \$2500 per month (current baseline \$1800)
- Ogden Dinner raising \$26,000 (net) and stabilized as an ongoing system from year to year

ATTACHMENT C

Full Zoom Instructions

Clark County Democrats is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

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