



Executive Board Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2025, 7-8:30 PM
Online via Zoom

AGENDA

1. Call to order (Tim)
Tim Probst, Donna Sinclair, Matt Dittrich, Patricia O'Bannon, Hector Hinajosa, Leah Perkel, Heidi Steigmann, Holly Williams, Bob Carroll, Emma Montague, Steve Perkel, Terri Niles, Emily Borden, Elaine Brown, Donald Auguston, Kelliana Cole
2. Seek motion to approve of this agenda and the prior minutes (Donna)
Motion: Hector Hinajosa 2nd: Emma Montague Passed unanimously by a voice vote
3. Welcome at-large members (Tim): Mike Pond, Bob Carroll, Emma Montague, and Holly Williams.
Mike will be our liaison to Fuse, Bob to labor, and Emma to the WEA and the State Party. Holly will continue to be a resource for our fundraising efforts.
4. UPDATE (Elaine/Donald): We have an office!
-237 NE Chkalov Drive, Vancouver, 98684, across from Elmers
-Shared break room and bathroom
-Meeting rooms and conference rooms
-Will need to maintain a storage unit
-What kind of functions do you want to see the volunteers do?
+Use office hours to call 10-15 people during their shift to clean up VoteBuilder
+Maybe come up with a script about sustaining donors, Ogen Dinner, etc.
-Sign and electricity is already in the budget; see if we can get a union company to make our sign
5. ACTION (Tim): Each committee member is asked to identify organizations they can ask to adopt and sign onto our [Resolution on the Administrative Coup](#)
The resolution was adopted by the General Meeting February 10. We seek adoption and sign-on, if possible, by LD's, Indivisible, MoveOn, WA State Dems, FUSE, labor groups, places of worship, and the Interfaith Alliance.
-Donna—Indivisible, MoveOn Clark
-Leah—WA State Democrats
-Emma—WA State Dems, LPOs, will look at WEA

- Hector—Latino Caucus
- Bob—SW WA Labor Council, Columbia Building Trades (SWWACL and CPBCTC)
- Kelliana—Ridgefield Community Progressive Group
- Emily—pass; League of Women Voters not appropriate for partisan discussion
- Heidi—20th LD, other counties in 20th LD
- Matt—three boards he is on; City of Vancouver and City of Portland
- Terri—will take it to her board
- Holly—Clark County Democratic Women
- Elaine—pass
- Donald--pass

6. DISCUSSION (Donna, Heidi): Can we continue a cadence of highly effective events to resist MAGA? Focus is a key consideration for effectiveness. We can predict the President or AG will order the federal marshals not to enforce court orders, which is a Constitutional crisis; and that MAGA will try to pass the SAVE Act, which creates barriers to voting in the next election for women, college students, low-income, and middle-income voters. Can we educate people and get ahead of these anticipated next crises? How can we appeal positively to people’s emotions and values, with the right balance of negative as well?

-Partnering with other groups

-Education

-Can we impact the Supreme Court? Focusing on things that are national in scope.

-Tell our story

-Stop the SAVE Act; focus on courts

-Listening parties

-weekly newsletter/link tree with specific action items

-great apps that people can sign up for that will assign weekly action items and education lessons

-book group

-short videos w/captions

-in each step, determine our audience:

+ preaching to the choir or

+ recruiting new people to our organization or

+ winning over Independent voters or those who have left the Republican Party

+ imploring our elected officials to do something

7. ACTION (Tim): Each committee member is asked to seek a commitment from similar groups (see above) to sign in “pro” on our endorsed bills when they are scheduled for hearings. These are the Affordable Housing Action Bill, the Foster Youth Bill of Rights, the Washington Healthcare Trust, a bill preserving manufactured housing, and the ranked-choice voting bill: SB5587, SB5620, SB/5233/HB1445, HB1768, and HB1448, respectively.

8. ACTION (Leah): Each committee member is asked if they can join our hill visit to Olympia this Wednesday, and/or drive a carpool.

The office visits will support the endorsed bills above, with materials provided ahead of time. To date appointments are arranged with Rep. Stonier's staff, Sen. Cortes' staff, Sen. Cleveland, and possibly Sen. Hasegawa who is working closely with Sen. Cleveland on the Healthcare Trust.

Contact Leah if you will go or carpool.

9. ACTION (Steve): Each committee member is asked to identify a short list of friends they will reach out to, as soon as the June 14 Ogden Dinner tickets become available online.

Do we have a ticket price?

10. ACTION (Emma): Recommend to the General Meeting to endorse IAFF Local 2444, Camas/Washougal's [proposition](#) for the April 22 election.

These firefighters cover a lot of rural area with wait times up to 40 minutes; will not be a huge cost to the taxpayer. Supported by the unions.

Motion: Leah Perkel

2nd: Holly Williams

Passed by unanimous voice vote

11. DISCUSSION (Matt): Swag/t-shirts/other gear for our community liaisons, as we begin setting up that function. **This is for people who sign up to represent us regularly to other local groups**, as discussed in the budget discussion and on the leads and roles spreadsheet.

Emma willing to do some swag designs.

Kelliana says the visual component is important but the real bones of it is the strategy that supports it all (values, messaging, voice).

-Unity Platform

-Forward Together

-Clark County is For All of Us.

-Justice for All of Us

12. Announcements and good of the order (All)

-Rally in front of Senator Murray's office at 1323 Officers Row / Marshall Office on Wednesday, 2/19/25 at 1:45 to 3:30 pm.

-Democratic Women of Clark County and FUSE Local Candidate training on March 15. On Calendar

-Indivisible Meeting on Thursday—go to Mobilize to sign up

-There are a number of local nonprofits that could use support right now: Columbia Willamette Planned Parenthood, We Are One America, Washington ACLU, etc.

-Billboards on I-205?

13. Next steps and adjournment **8:36**