



Monthly General Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2025, 7 PM – 8:30 PM

[Online via Zoom](#)

Meeting Announcement for Next Month: All General Meetings Are the Second Monday of Each Month at 7PM

63 Present: Tim Probst, Donna Sinclair, Matt Dittrich, Patricia O'Bannon, Leah Perkel, Hector Hinojosa, Heidi Steigmann, Mike Pond, LaDonna Kirkpatrick, Jess Durfee, Terri Niles, Elias Olson, Sarah Mittelman, Emily Borden, Joe Maldonado, Elaine Brown, Linda Micheel, Andrew Brewer, Judy Weber, John Zingale, Jessica Smith, Tom Donovan, Ryan, Richard Kolberg, Catherine Black, Kathy Krevat, Kim Sievert, Karla Von Huben, Jerry Brask, Emareena Danielles, Nicole, Jacob, Suzanne Keisel, Amy Wagner, Ray Lanning, Sara De La Fuente, Susan Schwartz, Mark Hughey, Brent Hennrich, Meridian Green, Marcia Roi, Lucinda Jafar, Mark Robinson, Steve Perkel, Carol Hostetler, YeahYeah Mac, Helix, Pete Aller, Mike Giles, Barb Halberg, Michael, Jack Androvich, Thomas O, Dr. Mark Blessley, Sarah Martin, Lisa Henry, Julie Goldbeck, Dinah Pittioni, Joe Churchman, Isaiah, Marge Davis, Jay Renaud, Kath Cotrell, Marsha Manning, Mark Nickerson, Scott Kershaw

AGENDA

BUSINESS MEETING: Expect an efficient meeting to cover many updates and decisions quickly.

1. Call to order (Tim)
 - a. Welcome everyone and Pledge of Allegiance (Tim)
 - b. Land acknowledgment; review expectations (Patricia)

2. Recognize elected officials and new guests (Matt)
 - a. New guests, please enter your name and email in the chat and we'll stay connected!

3. Consent agenda (Tim)
 - a. Approve this meeting's agenda and prior meetings' minutes
 - b. Approve at-large Executive Committee members as requested by the Executive Committee
Emma Montague, Mike Pond, Holly Williams, Bob Carroll
Move: Donna Sinclair 2nd: Patricia O'Bannon Passed by voice vote

4. Approve PCO Appointments (Donna)
 - a. Legislative District Chairs, please make sure all potential nominees have read our [Voter Contact Expectations Policy](#), which states:
"To help us all work toward victory as an organized team, every new PCO recruited will be invited to participate when seeking confirmation at the Clark County Democrats General Meetings. This helps to ensure we are all working together as a team toward the same goals.
17th LD presents six new LDs:

667 Judith Walseth Acting
903 Cheryl Martin Acting
925 Don Steinke Appointed
913 K C Appointed
662 Henry Marion Appointed
947 Jeannine Mills Appointed
Move: Terri Niles 2nd: Heidi Steigmann Approved by voice vote

5. Proposal for refreshing our approach to event-based fundraising (Tim and LaDonna)
Ogden Dinner on June 14, featuring Governor Bob Ferguson (LaDonna)
Kiggins Theater Events (Heidi & Holly)

6. Office search update (Elaine, Linda M, Heidi)
Must move fast to secure an office available with signage on Chkalov Drive, Vancouver. It is within our budget. One-year lease.
Move: Jess Durfee 2nd: Susan Schwartz Passed by voice vote

7. ACTION: Budget (Tim and Heidi)
Latest version of the two-year budget allows for a smaller office and spending on advertising and campaigns.
Motion: Patricia O'Bannon 2nd: Donna Sinclair Passed by voice vote

8. [Unity Platform](#) follow-through with elected officials
 - a. ACTION: (Donna) Endorse affordable housing, foster care, universal healthcare, and ranked-choice voting bills: SB5587, SB5620, SB/5233/HB1445, and HB1448
Moved: Leah Perkel 2nd: LaDonna Kirkpatrick
Friendly Amendment to Add HB 1768 Manufactured Home Community: Terri Niles
2nd : John Zingale Passed as amended by voice vote
 - b. ACTION: (Leah) Should we organize a Hill Visit Day in Olympia?
Leah Perkel and Stephanie Smith will organize; Heidi will send a list of those who volunteered in chat.
Jessica.smith10@wsu.edu, leahperkel@gmail.com
 - c. REPORT: (Tim) We asked all endorsed elected officials to help us pass our Unity Platform bills.
MGP will help with coalition of modern democracies, election finance, and possibly others. **Sen Cleveland** wrote affordable housing and foster care bills. **Sen Cortes** will help with American Pride Jobs. **Councilors Marshal, Fuentes, and Little** will help with affordable housing and other priorities. All are happy to meet with a group of us. All the **others** did not respond to us yet.

9. Defend Democracy Team (Tim)
 - a. Should we adopt a statement to send to Washington's Democratic Senators and Reps?
Move: Lisa Henry 2nd: Susan Schwartz
Motion for friendly amendments: Emareena Danielles Passed by voice vote as amended
-Stronger expectations of WA delegation
-Wording related transgender rights and ICE raids on immigrants
-Emphasize due process

- Join with other groups
- No board or council shall be allowed to be eliminated
- Ask our elected officials, "What is your plan?"

Should we have a team to lead resistance actions against decisions by the current federal administration? **Lucinda Jafar, Emareena Danielles, and Susan Schwartz are willing to learn more and help.**

For creative and decisive discussion: What kinds of actions? Who would join? Who can lead it? How can we support other groups doing the same? **Indivisible Leadership Team (Donna) Local presence at Town Hall in support of Federal Workers, they are also working with Move On**

How can we include that we are a better choice, and not only that MAGA is wrong?

- Fly flag upside-down, black armbands
- Vote for schools
- Spreadsheet of people who can go to meetings and go back to us (Cathy Decker is working on this)
- A report card of their voting record

10. Reports:

- a. Treasurer (Patricia)
- b. Election Observers Committee Chair (Vacant—need a volunteer)
- c. State Committeepersons (Leah and Hector)
State Elections, Steve Perkel New State Committeeperson for CD3, The Science of Messaging Workshop from Connections Lab from WA Dems [Sign up HERE](#)
- d. Forward Friday (Hector and Kelliana): **February 28, 6pm, 3Peaks Public House & Tap Room, 24415 NE 10th Ave, Ridgefield, WA 98642**
 - i. Monthly rotation order is 18th LD, 20th LD, 17th LD, 49th LD, then repeat

11. Announcements and good of the order

- Elias Olsen is new chair of the Young Democrats of Clark County
- Lisa Henry Wanted to invite all to become monthly sustaining donors! www.clarkcountydems.com
- To sign in pro to HB 1768
<https://app.leg.wa.gov/csi/House?selectedCommittee=31633&selectedMeeting=32747>
- For SB 5587, sign in pro here, <https://app.leg.wa.gov/billsummary?Year=2025&BillNumber=5587>
- AB 5620, <https://app.leg.wa.gov/billsummary?BillNumber=5620&Year=2025>
- SB 5233, <https://app.leg.wa.gov/billsummary?BillNumber=5233&Year=2025>
- SB 1445, <https://app.leg.wa.gov/BillSummary/?BillNumber=1445&Year=2025>
- HB 1488, <https://app.leg.wa.gov/billsummary?BillNumber=1448&Year=2025>
- 2025 Community Legislative Session Lobby Days:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bKBvd0fVli0WWbFIBswztrXag0nvd_b-w2bY4gzF5JU/edit?usp=sharing (Mike Pond-Fuse)
- Simple Sabotage Field Manual by United States. Office of Strategic Services
<https://www.gutenberg.org/ebooks/26184>
- Indivisible of Greater Vancouver <https://www.indivisiblegreatervancouver.org/>

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Follow us here on FB, <https://www.facebook.com/IndivisibleGV>

-The Doctrine of Public Choice - Read "Democracy in Chains" by Nancy MacLean

-Encourage all to call the delegation daily about all of the issues.

-This resource: <https://5calls.org/>

- Planning is underway for a general strike: <https://generalstrikeus.com/strikecard>

-Fuse <https://www.facebook.com/events/467320083114856/>

- John Zingale <https://www.columbian.com/news/2025/feb/10/rep-john-ley-pleads-guilty-to-two-voter-violation-charges/>

12. **CHAIRS' ROUNDTABLE:** Postponed this month due to full agenda

13. Adjourn at **8:45**