



Monthly General Meeting Minutes

April 14, 2025, 7 PM – 8:30 PM

[Online via Zoom](#)

Present: Tim Probst, Donna Sinclair, Matt Dittrich, Patricia O’Bannon, Leah Perkel, Hector Hinojosa, Heidi Steigmann, Bob Caroll, Jess Durfee, LaDonna Kirkpatrick, Steve Perkel, Sarah Mittelman, Andrew Brewer, Susan Schwartz, Ben Christly, Henry Marion, Dave ***, Kathy Krevat, Jim McCrae, Don Auguston, Mark Hughey, John Latta, Pete Eller, Marsha Manning, Bob Battey, Brent Hennrich, Heather Lindberg, Mark Robinson, Jay Renaud, John Zingale, Mark Gutman, Sarah De La Fuente, Sarah Martin, Richard Vollmer, Richard Kolber, Mark Blessley, Lisa Henry, Julie Goldbeck

AGENDA

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

1. Call to order (Tim)
 - a. Welcome and Remembrance of Mayor Royce Pollard (Matt)
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance (Tim)
 - c. Land acknowledgment; review expectations (Patricia)
2. Approve this meeting’s agenda and prior meetings’ minutes (Donna)
MOVED: LaDonna Kirkpatrick 2nd: Susan Schwartz Passed by a voice vote.
3. Recognize elected officials and new guests (Matt)
 - a. New guests, please enter your name and email in the chat and we’ll stay connected!
Sarah Martin
4. Approve PCO Appointments (Matt)
 - 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.”
MOVE: Jess Durfee 2nd: Matt Dittrich Passed by voice vote.
327 Kendon Masterson
410 Ron Bergeron
5. Recent successes (Donna)
 - a. Apr 5 protest—approximately 10,000 people!
 - b. Kiggins Conversation – KXRW broadcast AG Nick Brown’s conversation with Temple Lentz and Bryan Stebbins and Donna Sinclair!
 - c. WA’s continuing resolution votes—Affordable Housing Bill to evaluate the housing stock annually and compel communities to provide enough affordable housing
 - d. Save Act/Exec Order op-ed and talking points – This is a poll tax, it disenfranchises women, some states’ Real IDs do not offer proof of citizenship, not an easy fix and it costs money, if the SAVE Act goes through, perhaps shift our voter registration efforts to helping folks get appropriate

documentation to be able to vote. If your name on your ID doesn't match the voter registration, must get a passport (cost?). Get WA State to put "US Citizen" on our Real IDs (Cost is approximately \$200 to get a Real ID). We need to prepare for the SAVE Act going through.

- e. Date and time for next 50501 protest April 19 from 11-2 protest outside of Tesla lining the street with signs—still a "Hands Off" protest.

<https://www.mobilize.us/indivisible-greater-vancouver/event/768973/>

6. District Analysis (Tim)

- a. Performance by district

District Analysis 2024, Winning Democratic Candidates' Performance by District, and President

District, from most to least favorable for D's	49	17	18	3	20
Kamala Harris	60.4%	52.5%	49.5%	46.7%	34.9%
Maria Cantwell (normal high-water mark)	63.1%	53.8%	51.5%	49.2%	37.6%
Marie Gluesenkamp Perez	65.4%	57.2%	54.1%	51.7%	40.3%
Bob Ferguson	61.4%	51.7%	49.1%	46.1%	33.7%
Annette Cleveland	61.8%				
Monica Stonier	63.1%				
Sharon Wylie	63.5%				
Adrian Cortes					

50.0%

- b. Strategies and messages that won

Authentic support for issues that resonate with non-Democratic voters, being hyper-local, harness the disillusionment with current administration

- c. Next steps to get more people to vote for Democrats in 2026

Group brainstorming.

BRING IT ON HOME TEAM: LaDonna Kirkpatrick, Donna Sinclair, Donald Auguston, Henry Marion, Jim McCrae—LaDonna will take this to her LD, Donna will take this to Indivisible, Hector Hinojosa will run a few ideas past the Latino Caucus. There are Latino voters to address here in Clark County.

ADS ON SOCIAL MEDIA: State party definitely needs to help with technical assistance John Zingale, Henry Marion, LaDonna Kirkpatrick

7. Updates:

- a. Treasurer (Patricia) We paid for the Hilton and are still in a good position financially.
- b. Ogden Dinner (LaDonna) Auctioneer, event planner, need to advertise ticket sales, new items for silent auction, Tim will contact LaDonna re: awards
- c. Discussions with MGP's team (Tim, Donna, Matt) MGP is not Elon Musk. Her vote on SAVE Act is disappointing. We want to be her friend, but we want to share when we are disappointed. We need to keep representatives in the House—and gain more. It is difficult to support her sometimes, but to protest her is to push her away. Let's keep the "big tent" that MGP represents. She is walking a fine line. We need to be cautious because we don't know who will run against her next. We need her votes.
- d. Community Liaisons (Matt) Growing list of people involved in a community organization, particularly if you are on a board, we can help to get you on a board
- e. Office (Donald) Put a request for office volunteers; amazing work on cleaning up the VoteBuilder - 49% of people have had information adjusted Donald.Auguston@outlook.com. Please volunteer for a 2 hour weekly shift. I will help train you and it's a very pleasant environment.
- f. State Committeepersons (Leah and Hector) Meeting coming up in May; Zoom AI recordings not allowed by individuals in meetings, passing a tough budget, Cleveland did not support Rent Stabilization Bill, bill supporting striking Union members still alive—reach out to reps
- g. Chinook Indian Nation Recognition (Donna) Fighting for recognition since the 1890s; have remained in their homeland throughout, working with MGP, MGP has tried to pull others in, but

talks have broken down, let Donna know if you would like to get their newsletter, sign their petition requesting a better bill. This is where you write to be part of the Chinook Justice coalition: chinook-justice@wearerally.com

Script for calling MPG:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/11SdP1vvFL5nhEdsQefnRW8PXY90sNtZHTs8aE_QM66w/edit?tab=t.0

- h. Forward Friday CHANGED TO 18th LD
Forward Friday, April 25, 6pm, Prairie Tavern, 4925 NE Caples Rd, Brush Prairie, WA 98606
 - i. Monthly rotation order is 18th LD, 20th LD, 17th LD, 49th LD, then repeat
 - ii. DISCUSSION: Should we pause after April? Discuss next month.
 - i. Election Observers Committee Chair (**Vacant**—need a volunteer)
 - j. Volunteer and PCO Coordinator (**Vacant**—need a volunteer)
8. Announcements and good of the order
- MGP is doing town halls in Centralia (4/22) & Vancouver (4/24)
 - Mike Pond Upcoming events:
April In-person Social Gathering / More Info on Charter Review elections
 - Diana Perez' Re-Election Campaign Kick-Off
 - Campaign Kick-Off: Re-Elect Sandra Zavala
 - 2025 Parade of Bands - Band Together for a Better Tomorrow
 - Filing week is the first week of May
 - John Zingale: We are hosting the "Voices Not Forgotten," event at Skyview High School this Friday the 18th from 10am-12:30pm. We will hear directly from families and survivors of the Holocaust and the Japanese American concentration camps. Please come and listen to these incredible speakers.
 - Visit NAACP Vancouver History Exhibit
9. **8:00 CHAIRS' ROUNDTABLE:** Reports from the Legislative District Chairs and brainstorming with the members **Postponed**
10. Adjourn at 9:40