



Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
June 16, 2025, 7:00-8:00 PM

AGENDA

Present: Tim Probst, Donna Sinclair, Patricia O'Bannon, Leah Perkel, Heidi Steigmann, Steve Perkel, Terri Niles, LaDonna Kirkpatrick, Thea Zahn, Jess Durfee, Sarah Mittelman, Bob Carroll, Holly Williams, Mike Pond, Candy Bonneville

1. Call to order (Tim)

2. Seek motion to approve of this agenda and the prior minutes (Donna)

Moved: Donna Sinclair 2nd: Patricia O'Bannon Passed by voice vote

3. Patricia, Tim, and Matt have concluded the Treasurer search and all parties seek this recommendation. (Tim)

ACTION: Recommend for election Dinah Pittioni as Treasurer and Candy Bonneville as Deputy Treasurer, for a vote of the membership at the July General Meeting

Motion: Patricia O'Bannon 2nd: Jess Durfee Passed by a voice vote 1 abstention

4. Ogden Dinner recap (LaDonna)

-A hugely successful Ogden Dinner, even with the changes in schedule and tensions. Total raised between \$24,000 and \$26,000.

-We will get the messages and video out to the community this coming week.

-Debrief and "Thank You" letters scheduled soon.

5. Nonpartisan races and funding (Donna)

-Are we going to fund non-partisan races?

-No primary for Charter Review Committee candidates

-17th LD will seek opportunities other than funding to support non-partisan races. Camas City Council race critical.

-Party can give up to \$1,200 for non-partisan races, but there is a lot we can do other than give money.

-49th LD - Shall we target specific candidates we consider crucial? "Early money is like yeast!" Support Kim Harless—has to be done at July Meeting—and school boards, etc. 49th has already made their recommendations because primaries are in August.

-18th has a School Board Candidate

-Advertise that we are going to have a committee process so we target our money where it is most needed. We say to the body what we recommend and then discuss. We need to consult the budget before we make recommendations; what did we set aside for candidates overall and then what can we give remembering that it needs to cover next year as well.

-Most all Charter Review Candidates filed Mini reporting, they can only receive \$500.

-Advertise on social media

- (Sent by email) Not only should we support and recommend nonpartisan candidates we should also find a way to financially support those candidates. Without those candidates winning those lower-echelon offices, how will we gain experienced candidates for higher office? Today's school board member will be tomorrow's city council member and in 5 years a state legislator. Especially in Red and Purple districts where name recognition is critical in getting voter support.

- (Sent by email) I thought the point of having our auction and dinner was to help support candidates financially.

Action Item: Make sure recommendations are ready for July!

6. Protocols for hybrid meetings (Donna)

-Give instructions at the beginning of the meeting for how people can be recognized, vote

-Make sure people put on their screen what they are: PCO? Candidate?

-Make sure to always use a microphone

-Have a dedicated person to just watch the screen

7. Senator Cantwell will connect us to Congressional staff for two reform items from the Unity Platform (Tim)

-Human rights across the world, standing up to Trump's chaotic approach and his befriending of dictators

-Helping those who are unemployed by making sure people have a living stipend while training for a new job; GI bill is the model

-We are starting the process with Sen Cantwell like we did with Sen Cleveland re: affordable housing

8. Rep. Gluesenkamp Perez will co-sponsor campaign finance reform, national minimum wage over \$15, and protect Medicare, Medicaid, and Social Security to support the Unity Platform. (Tim)

-Tim Gowen wrote the response

-Marie then called Tim Probst and they spoke about the letter

-Terri would be willing to work on this team with MGP

9. Ongoing but no discussion needed this month: housing affordability discussion with County Councilors, 60% Plan, Opportunity 2027, filling vacant races with candidates, community liaisons

10. Announcements and good of the order (All)

-Donna is away for the summer

-Forward Friday June 27th 6pm 3Peaks Taproom Ridgefield

-Office Committee--will not ask for any more money from Council for the Homeless, will not buy sign

-17th LD Event Chili Cook Off—asking candidates to make chili Oct 5th Lacamas Lake Lodge 3-6pm

-June 14th rallies: 5,000 just on the East side; 3,500 people down on the waterfront

-July 17th Nationwide "Good Trouble" event

-49th LD Picnic Potluck Social August 10th Sunday noon-3pm Marshall Park

-July 12th is Pride in the Park at Esther Short Park

-18th LD/Clark County joint picnic? Combine with CCDCC in-person meeting?

-August 23rd, IGV picnic with Ridgefield Community group, 12:00-4:00, Abrams Park, Ridgefield

-A Kiggins conversation with Senator Cantwell may happen during August recess. Holly is talking with her team.

-Should I/we ask Denny Heck to consider a Kiggins Conversation some month, too? Upthegraoe?

-17th LD General Meeting the 4th Thursday of the month reoccurring virtual meeting

-Next CCWomen Social – Wednesday, June 25th at 5:30, Tap Union House

-20th LD Sunday, June 29th at Peper's 49er in Castle Rock at Exit 49, 500 people at protest in Centralia, Lewis County
-We are turning out so many people to protest and sign wave—similar to door belling. Can we get them to come over to that activity?
-strong support regarding PEPFAR and food aid letter; Tim and Sarah will call those who did not reply

11. Next steps and adjournment

ACTION: Go kick butt and win elections **8:30 Adjourned**

ATTACHMENT A:

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