

37th District Democrats: October Membership Meeting Minutes (Roughly 50 People in Attendance; Prepared by John Stafford)

1. Meeting Opening (7:04)

- Stephen Reed calls meeting to order.
- Flag Salute.
- Adoption of September Meeting Minutes: vote passes unanimously.

2. Congressman Adam Smith (7:06)

- Comments on Impeachment Process.
 - Appropriate strategy is key.
 - Demonstrating that the House can work on both impeachment and policy bills concurrently is important.
- Important to demonstrate that the Democratic Party is pursuing proposals that will move the country in a more productive direction.
- The upcoming elections are critical. Three things could damage this:
 - Improper impeachment process.
 - Homeland Security funding issues.
 - A troubled Democratic Party nomination process.
- Questions from audience.
 - Impeachment
 - Sea-Tac airway ultrafine particulate matter.
 - U.S. withdrawal from Northern Syria and the Turkish Invasion.

3. Corporate PAC Resolution (7:29)

- Topic: Resolution Against Corporate PAC Money in Seattle Elections.
- Speaker explains Resolution.
- Speaker against; speaker for.
- Motion to amend Resolution.
 - Speaker for.
 - The amendment carries, 16-7.
- Vote on Resolution Carries.
 - Tandy, the Sergeant of Arms, vehemently disagrees with this vote.

4. Green New Deal (7:41)

- Emily Knudsen Discusses Green New Deal Resolution.
 - She lists some organizations and individuals who support Green New Deal.
 - A speaker speaks in favor of Green New Deal
- Questions from audience.

- Non-committal speaker; speaker for; speaker raising concerns – wants to see specific legislation; speaker for; speaker against
- Vote passes 21-7-4 (for; against; abstain)

5. The Great Escape (7:53)

- Tom discusses the Great Escape Fundraising Event – it is an important opportunity to raise money as it is the year’s only major fundraising event.
- Comments about the importance of raising funds for this event.

6. 2020 Legislative District Caucus Planning Discussion (7:58)

- There is a significant financial cost to be a Caucus Delegate.
- The meeting to select delegates will be on Sunday, April 26.
- There could be 3,000–6,000 people in attendance.

7. New PCO’s (8:04)

- Talks from two prospective PCO’s
- Vote to approve the new PCO’s – passes unanimously.

8. Good of the Order (8:07)

- Ethiopian Community Center Annual Fundraiser, This Saturday, October 19, 2019
 - Tickets are \$100
- Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
 - On 10/16/19 at Langston Hughes, From 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
 - On 10/19/19 at Tilth Farm, From 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
- Speaker for Elizabeth Warren Campaign
- Beacon Hill Meaningful Movies, El Centro, 7:00 pm
- October 24, 2019. Free Screening of Delores Huerta. 6:00. Mt. Baker Park Presbyterian.
- Encourage Members to get checked for Breast Cancer.
- Environment Climate Caucus on First Thursday of each month. Contact Emily Knudsen for details.

9. Motion To Adjourn (8:13)

- Passes.