

37th LD Democrats Membership Meeting (On Zoom)

Monday, April 10, 2023

37 participants!

1.

Call to Order

Land Acknowledgement

2.

Appointment of new Precinct Committee Officer(s)

Meredith Means: Kathy Weibel is the new PCO for Precinct 37-1580. Motion to approve her passed.

Khalid Bulale to be appointed as a PCO for 37-1555 and is approved.

Meredith explained what a PCO does.

3.

Special guest: Seattle City Council District 3 Candidate introduction: Andrew Ashiofu is a former board member of 37th LD. Housing is very important to him and so is restructuring the police and bringing transparency and accountability.

www.andrewforseattle.com

4. Adopt [March 2023 Meeting Minutes](#) Any corrections/additions? None, so the minutes are approved.

5.

Endorsement Voting Process:

Link to suggested revisions:

2023-04-09-Report-and-Recommendations-on-Endorsement-Rules-Update.pdf

April 2022 new rules have been working, according to feedback, but the timing of endorsements has been difficult.

Special guest, Rory O'Sullivan: Proposed changes simplify process; he explained rank choice voting. It will eliminate the opportunity for dual endorsements for ballot measures but he does not consider that significant.

Q: Can't we get to 60%? Top 2 votes eligible for endorsement at May meeting. Relatively unlikely to give a dual endorsement, Rory agreed.

Discussion followed, pro and con.

Vote on changes to standing rules (endorsement process): in favor to adopt new language: 18 in favor. Against: 6. Motion passes.

Pro: Gwen feels a dual endorsement is worthless. She wants anything that leads to less confusion.

Con: Bob Rosenberger: He wants dual endorsement so he's against this change.

Pro: Lynn McKay: This is the best way to give voters information.

Con: Joanna Cullen: She wants reassurance of what kind of report we are getting, the tally. Rory addressed that issue.

Pro: Nancy Truitt Pierce: It was hard to do the digging for just one candidate so this is a help.

Con: Marietta Zintak: She thinks we are getting lazy with online meetings. We have to start meeting in person so we can do dual endorsements.

6.

Report from the King County Committee Representatives

Lyn McKay explained her theory of "4 X 4":

4 things from committee:

1) Code of conduct—they have done a lot.

2) Endorsement: Shout out to Martin Cheney, endorsement committee chair.

3) Candidate recruitment and support committee: 311 seats up for election countywide. candidate-recruitment@kcdems.org

2024-DSAAP-Proposed-3-29-23.pdf

4) How we can help:

#1-LD Representatives can contact other people, just donate an hour and we could make a difference.

#2-donations (maybe give \$37, each of us give something)

#3-help us get out the vote—GOTV for special election April 25th

#4-text banking, some opportunities have been missed but there are still 3 opportunities.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdZPsG_rakV3oHMMMjps7HxBHSVp0JD-Wf18-OMZmBz60eu0Q/viewform

7.

Budget 2023: Jeanne Legault gave a summary of income and expenses. Discussion of bulk mailing (postcards) to do outreach to the community. Q: Can we do a mailing to ALL registered voters? A: That would be very expensive! Motion to approve budget. 22 in favor of passing the proposed budget. Against: 0.

8.

April 25 special election:

[King County Proposition No. 1: Crisis Care Centers Levy](#)

The 37th LD Democrats have endorsed passage of this levy.

9.

[WA Democrats Proposed 2024 Delegate Selection and Affirmative Action Plan](#)

Public comment deadline: April 28, 2023

Group of rules that come out and is now open for public comment on how the delegates are selected.

10.

Good of the Order

"Build Our America with Pramila Jayapal", Thursday, May 4th, 12-1, \$150 for a place at a table for lunch with Pramila. www.lunchwithpramila.com Let the board know if you are interested.

Lynn: 2 things: 1) how you can save links in chat. 2) She writes postcards all over the country. She wrote to FL voters. www.postcardstovoters.org

Nancy, on "woke" (Mary: sorry, we missed talking about that at board retreat)

Jim Hutchins: motion to adjourn!

8:22 pm

Adjourned early!

Minutes taken by Carla McLean