



**25th LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT
DEMOCRATIC FOCUS**



On Sunday April 17th, 25th LDD folks gathered at Franklin Pierce High School for the Legislative District Caucus. The turnout was large but with so many volunteers, the 25th LDD handled the crowd and completed all the work that needed to be done.

Speaker at the Monday, May 2nd meeting at the Puyallup Library 324 So Meridian, will be Tina Podlodowski, Democratic candidate for Secretary of State. Meeting starts at 7 pm.

PREAMBLE TO THE PLATFORM OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

As Democrats we place the well-being of the people as our highest priority. We believe in the values of community, empathy, equality, tolerance, opportunity and the common good of the interdependent world we share. These values provide the basis for our ideals and are supported by our state and federal Constitutions.

Our actions define our society, our freedoms, and our responsibilities. To fulfill the potential of our values and ideals, we encourage every citizen to participate in civic activities, including continuously raising awareness of the issues contained within this Platform. The people have a right to expect their elected representatives to govern in a manner that will protect and promote their civil liberties, human rights and quality of life.

We invite everyone to join with us in advocating for legislation that ensures peace, prosperity, liberty and justice for all.

We expect elected Democrats to publicly, actively work to bring the principles of the 2014 Platform to fruition using all available legal and parliamentary procedures.

To see the complete platform of the Washington State Democrats go to:

<http://www.wa-democrats.org/sites/wadems/files/documents/Washington%20State%20Democrats%20-%202014%20Platform.pdf>

The Purpose of the 25th Legislative District Democrats as stated in its By-Laws

The purpose of the 25th LDD is to support the election of Democratic Candidates and to further the policies and principles of the Democratic Party.

To see the complete By-Laws of the 25th Legislative District Democrats go to <http://25dems.org/> and look for the By-Laws in the left hand column.

Chair's Message

Ed Herde

The 25th Legislative District Caucus was held Sunday April 17th at Franklin Pierce High School. The caucus was called to order at 1:15pm. The purpose of the caucus was to elect delegates and alternates to the 8th and 10th Congressional District Caucuses and the Washington State Democrats State Convention. We had a good turnout of delegates and alternates who had been elected at the precinct caucuses on March 26th. We had such a good turnout of precinct level delegates that we did not need to seat many alternates. Because of the strong turnout the proportion of delegates going to the two Democratic presidential candidates did not change from what it was at the conclusion of the precinct caucuses. During the meeting the attendees were introduced to candidates that are running for office in the 25th LD this year, and were able to hear them speak. We heard from Pat Jenkins running for Pierce County Council in the 2nd county council district, Michelle Chatterton and Jamie Smith who are running for the two positions in the state house, and Karl Mecklenburg running for state senate.

The 25th Legislative District has portions of the 8th and 10th congressional districts within its borders. Because of this the 25th LD had 4 sub-caucuses on April 17th. There were sub-caucuses for Bernie Sanders in the 8th CD and the 10th CD, and sub-caucuses for Hillary Clinton in the 8th CD and the 10th CD. The 8th CD covers about 1/10th of the area of the 25th LD so the two 8th CD sub-caucuses completed their work before 4:00pm. The 10th CD Clinton sub-caucus finished before 5:00pm. The 10th CD Sanders sub-caucus had the most participants. There were over 100 people that ran to become delegates to the CD Caucuses and each one of these candidates received a minute to address the approximately 400 voting delegates in the sub-caucus. Because of the large number of delegate candidates and the number of ballots that needed to be tallied to assign the next level delegates and alternates the 10th CD Sanders sub-caucus lasted until 7:45pm.

I'm happy to say that our caucus ran very smooth due to the planning of the 25th LD Caucus Committee and all the volunteers who helped set up the spaces, register participants, handle the refreshments, run the sub-caucuses, keep records of the event, and more. The members of the Caucus Committee are: Joan Cronk, Eric Herde, Bill Havens, Cliff Allo, Blaine Pearman, Karl Mecklenburg, Karen Edwards, Jerry Beckendorf, and Ed Herde.

I want to thank the very helpful and welcoming staff of the Franklin Pierce School District who made the logistics of the event much easier than it could have been.

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Minutes of the 25th Legislative District Democratic Organization
Member Meeting, April 4, 2016
Held at Puyallup Public Library

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm by Chair Ed Herde who led the flag salute. Roll was called
Officers Present: Ed Herde, Chair; Karen Edwards, Vice Chair; Bill Havens, Treasurer; Kareen Shanks, Secretary; Cliff Allo, Parliamentarian; Bryan Yambe, Sergeant at Arms; Blaine Pearman, Membership Chair; Joan Cronk, Focus Editor; Eric Herde, PCO Chair; Ellen Zulauf, State Committeewoman; Mark Goodwin, State Committeeman; Karl Mecklenburg, PC Rep. Position 1; Laura Groves, Pos.2 PC Rep.; Merv Swanson, PC Rep. Pos.3

Introduction of Elected Officials- Melanie Morgan, Franklin Pierce School Dist Board gave a report on the District and outreach for the various economic problems in the District.

Candidates for upcoming elections were introduced and gave a short statement:

Jerry Beckendorf spoke for Rick Talbert who is running for PC Executive

Tom Quinlan running for Supreme Court Judge #17

Dominique Jinhong running for PC Superior Court Position #5

Jeff Sprung running for State Auditor

Pat Jenkins running for PC Council Dist #2

Carol Edmonds running for PC Council Dist #2

Michelle Chatterton running for House of Representatives Position 2

Shelly Speir running for PC Superior Court Position #5

Action Items:

Ratification of vote on PCO's nominated at meeting on March 7 meeting:

25-217 Denise Babineux

25-222 Raechelle Baghirov

25-242 Robert Koreis

25-251 Jeremy Kamel

25-267 Joseph Colombo

Nomination of PCO's for approval at next meeting:

25-283 Samantha Webber

Motion to approve made by Kareen Shanks and 2nd by Jerry Beckendorf.

Speaker:

Gillian Locascio of Washington Fair Trade Coalition spoke to us regarding the TPP and ramifications of its enactment. She stated there will be a NW TPP Summit on April 16, 9:30am-6pm at the Immanuel Presbyterian Church, in Tacoma.

Legislative District Caucuses will be held at Franklin Pierce High School on Sunday April 17th at 1:00pm

Good of the Order:

Jerry Beckendorf spoke about the Peanut Butter Drive – bring peanut butter to May 2, 2016 meeting

Jerry Beckendorf spoke about 25th LD member and local activist Ernie Bay who recently passed away. Meeting Adjourned.

2016 25TH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CAUCUS

FRANKLIN PIERCE HIGH SCHOOL

APRIL 17, 2016

Registration of Delegates and Alternates began at 11:00 am

1:15 PM the Caucus was called to order by the 25th LD Chair: Ed Herde

Pledge of Allegiance

Appointment of the Secretary, Kareen Shanks; Sergeant-at-Arms, Jeremy Kamel; and Parliamentarian, Eric Herde.

Speakers:

Bryan Yambe, Fife City Councilman, welcomed the attendees and spoke

Ed Herde spoke on the caucus process and introduced speakers:

Pat Jenkins, candidate for Pierce County Council District 2

Michelle Chatterton, candidate for House of Representatives Position #2

Jamie Smith, candidate for House of Representatives Position #1

Eric Herde, PCO Chair, spoke about the need for PCO's in each precinct and the GOTV effort coming up.

Karen Edwards, Vice Chair for the 25th, spoke on the need for membership dues and donations to cover the cost of the caucuses.

Jerry Beckendorf talked about the Union Food Drive.

Karl Mecklenburg announced his run for the State Senate for the 25th and spoke.

Credentials Committee Chair Cliff Allo announced the delegate allotments:

10th CD= 23 Delegates, 18 for Bernie Sanders and 5 for Hillary Clinton

8th CD= 3 Delegates, 2 for Bernie Sanders and 1 for Hillary

There was separation into the Sub-Caucuses for the election of delegates and alternates to the Congressional District Caucuses and State Convention.

Reports from the sub-caucuses of lists of the elected next-level delegates and transmission of the signed ballots to the Chair.

Adjournment: 8:05 pm

LD Delegates and Alternates Elected to the Congressional District Caucuses and the State Convention at our April 17th Legislative District Caucuses

8th Congressional District

Sanders Delegates

Alan B Mimms
Theresa Maher

Clinton Delegate

Sylvia H Wood

Sanders Alternate

1 - Kathleen M Flynn

10th Congressional District

Sanders Delegates

Alanna Petry
Anthony Briscoe Ross Junior
Benjamin Q Parker
Bernadette Nicole Sentigar
Bryce Cedarquist
Daniel Rivera
Eric Herde
Gina Bua
Jeremy Jay Kamel
John W Adams
Kareen N Shanks
Kari Welch
Mikko Jiovanni
Nora J Campbell
Raechelle L Baghirov
Rion Ametu
Sarah Elizabeth Comer
Vox F Dombek

Clinton Delegates

Gerald W Beckendorf
Kara Kristiana Lanning
Nancy Pease Hogan
Pamala Sacks-Lawler
Turan Kayaoglu

Sanders Alternates

1 - Denise Babineaux
2 - Catherine Rohar
3 - Abigail Nelson
4 - Farid Baghirov
5 - Alexander Hendricks
6 - Donald Cottam
7 - Jackson Perry
8 - Kathleen Merryman Archbold
9 - Abigayle Victoria Garrett

Clinton Alternates

1 - Mary K Mundell
2 - Fang Yang
3 - John I McGinnis

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**Dues: Evergreen (Includes Senior, outside district, etc.) \$10 per member
Rainier \$25. Chair's Voice \$50. Senator's Club \$100. (Can be paid
In installments.)**

**Please send dues to: 25th LDD, P. O. Box 73594, Puyallup, WA 98374 or pay by credit card on
<http://25dems.org/Anedot/Dues.php>**