

MINUTES

25TH Legislative District Democrats; E-Board Meeting

01/29/2007

Call To Order 7:17 PM by John Thompson, Chair.

Meeting location: Pierce County Fire and Rescue Station, 9813 128th St E.

Roll Call of Officers & Attendees *John Thompson*, Chair (P); *Lauren Adler*, Vice-Chair (P); *Jon Bristol*, Treasurer (P); *Charley Stokes*, 25-108 & Secretary (P); *Carolyn Merrival*, Membership (P); *Jerry Beckendorf*, 25-172 & State Committeeman (A); *Ellen Zulauf*, State Committeewoman (P); (*Open Position*) Sgt-at-Arms (); *Luanne Green*, Parliamentarian (A); Pierce Co E-Board Members: *Frank Blair* (A), *Matt Hanbey* (A), Past Chair & Pierce Co E-Board Member, *Audrey Chase* (P). Also present, Joan Cronk, Ray Greene and Melissa Thompson.

Approval of E-Board Minutes of 01/02/2007 Moved and seconded to approve the minutes (*with spelling corrections noted*); passed without objection.

Old Business

2007 Fund Raisers were reviewed. The Kick-Off dinner was a success but we missed an opportunity at additional income by not having a Silent Auction like last year. It was determined to hold a Silent Auction at the Mary Bryant Volunteer Awards Dinner, tentatively scheduled for April.

The annual picnic may be combined with the Goings BBQ; negotiations are still pending. We still need additional planning for a Yard Sale sometime in August (need location).

Continued discussion of 2007 'Events': Should we consider another try of the cemetery clean up at the Orting Soldiers Home on the weekend before Memorial Day? Should we have a presence at Meeker Days? Other ideas?

John inquired as to the status of preparations for the first 'Pro' - 'Con' issue discussion. C. Stokes is ready with the 'Con'. Melvin Swanson who agreed to present the 'Pro' should be contacted before the General Meeting for status (need contact number).

Josh Welter has contacted John T. about speaking 'Pro' on "Affordable Health Care". Betty Ogden may take the 'Pro' on "Election Reform". A sign up sheet will be circulated or posted at the General Meeting for additional position speakers for pertinent issues.

Elections will be held 02-01-07 at the General Membership Meeting for the positions of: Parliamentarian, Treasurer, Secretary, Membership Officer and Sergeant-At-Arms. Only PCO's and dues-paid members will be allowed to cast a vote. Voting cards will be issued at the door.

The Chair announced his plans to refine and expand the Agenda, with a primary focus on fund raising and party building activities. To that end, all PCO's will be expected to be in regular attendance.

New Business

Discussed the evolution and expansion of the organization web site and authorizing monthly expense (est.< \$10.00/mo.). John Thompson will prepare facts-n-figures for review.

It was moved and seconded to add a "dues status" on all mailed newsletter address labels. Discussion followed with general agreement. Vote taken, motion carried 7-0-0. It was also discussed to generate a dues-due mailing to all members of record to include a remit envelope; there was general agreement, but no motion and no vote was taken.

Lauren moved the position of Hospitality Chair be filled by Joan Cronk; moved and seconded and passed without objection. Joan was authorized an initial budget of \$100.00 to re-stock and re-supply.

End at 9:20 PM.