

25<sup>th</sup> Legislative District Democrats  
July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008 General Membership Meeting  
Meeting Minutes  
*Prepared by: Lauren Adler*

Chair Lauren Adler called the meeting to order at 7:11 pm; the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Roll call of officers:

Chair Lauren Adler, Present	State Committee Jerry Beckendorf, Present
Vice-Chair Louis Tibbs, Excused	State Committee Ellen Zulauf, Present
Secretary Charley Stokes, Present	PCDCC Rep Audrey Chase, Absent
Treasurer Luanne Green, Present	PCDCC Rep Frank Blair, Absent
Parliamentarian Cliff Allo, Present	PCDCC Rep Matt Hanbey, Absent
Sergeant-At-Arms John Berry, Excused	Past Chair John Thompson, Absent

It was moved, seconded and carried (without objection) to adopt the agenda as published.

Chair Adler gave a few opening remarks, then turned the gavel over to Endorsements Committee Chair Charley Stokes, who would be running the Endorsements Forum.

Stokes gave a brief explanation of the endorsement procedure, introduced the committee, and gave an overview of what would be happening at the meeting tonight. It was also explained why some candidates were not on the ballot being used to cast their endorsement vote(s) at tonight's meeting. Stokes then followed up with an overview of what would be happening at the next meeting in August, where we will do a second round of endorsements.

Stokes asked for a motion to revise the paid-dues date of membership of our endorsements procedure, that only members that had paid dues by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008 would be able to vote for the endorsements tonight. Carolyn Merrival made the motion and it was seconded. Discussion followed.

Jim Ruble moved to table due to the fact that changing the cut off date for dues paying in such short order was unfair to the membership. Stokes asked the body if there was any member who did not find a pre-printed ballot available at the door when they signed in and there were none. Stokes suggested that this indicated that there was no impact to the members for the date change. Cliff Allo gave a brief description on how the process had been impacted by the change in the primary date to Aug 19 and that how if the endorsements were not voted on tonight there would be little or no opportunity for the approved candidates to publicize their endorsement (if approved) by the 25<sup>th</sup>. Ruble withdrew his motion to table but voiced his continuing concern about any proposed action that might exclude less than the full body.

The question was called and the body voted. The motion carried with one Nay and two Abstentions.

A call was made for volunteers to act as the Tally Committee and Michelle Donaldson and Ken Blair were appointed; Joan Cronk was appointed time-keeper. Each speaker was allotted five minutes to speak and do Q&A with a two minute transition between speakers.

Stokes then introduced the first candidate to address the membership as follows:

- Jim Vaughn (Running for 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Rep.)
- Jerry Beckendorf introduced Matt Arnold who spoke for Darcy Burner (Running for 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional Dist. Rep.)
- Ian Morrison spoke for Chris Gregoire (Incumbent, running for Governor)
- ChangMook Sohn (Running for State Treasurer)
- Brian Sonntag (Incumbent, running for State Auditor)
- John Ladenburg (Running for State Attorney General)
- Terry Burgeson (Incumbent, running for Superintendent of Public Instruction)
- Mike Watson spoke for Mike Kriedler (Incumbent running for Insurance Commissioner)
- Jim Kastama (Incumbent, running for 25<sup>th</sup> Leg. Dist. State Senate)
- Rob Cerqui (Running for 25<sup>th</sup> Leg. Dist. State Representative, Pos. 1)
- Dawn Morrell (Incumbent, running for 25<sup>th</sup> Leg. Dist. State Representative, Pos. 2)

Members then voted using their pre-printed ballots. The Tally Committee members collected the ballots and totaled the votes.

While the tally committee worked, the interim time was used for announcements and good of the order.

- Alex Rosporo spoke for Congressman Adam Smith's campaign
- Jerry Beckendorf spoke for Darcy Burner's campaign
- Calvin Goings
- Mark Lindquist
- Olgy Diaz for the Co-ordinated Campaign
- Carolyn Merrival
- Ian Morrison for Governor Gregoire's Re-Election Campaign
- Ray Green
- Puyallup School Board Member Cindy Poysnick spoke on support for school bond issue
- Brian Manning for the Obama Campaign
- Eric Renz gave his position for actions that include and do not exclude.

The Tally Committee announced their results and the following candidates were endorsed by the the 25<sup>th</sup> Legislative District Democrats. (There was a possible unanimous vote count of 28.)

	Endorse	Do Not Endorse
8 <sup>th</sup> Congressional District Representative James Vaughn	1	21
8 <sup>th</sup> Congressional District Representative DARCY BURNER	28	
Washington State Governor CHRISTINE GREGOIRE	28	
Washington State Treasurer CHANG MOOK SOHN	21	5
Washington State Auditor BRIAN SONNTAG	28	

	Endorse	Do Not Endorse
Washington State Attorney General JOHN LADENBURG	26	1
Washington State Insurance Commissioner MIKE KRIDELER	28	
Superintendent of Public Instruction TERRY BURGESON	19	5
25 <sup>th</sup> Legislative District State Senate JIM KASTAMA	28	
25 <sup>th</sup> Legislative District State Representative, Pos. 1 ROB CERQUI	27	1
25 <sup>th</sup> Legislative District State Representative, Pos. 2 DAWN MORRELL	28	

It was M/S/C to adjourn at 8:44pm.