

**MINUTES**  
**25<sup>TH</sup> Legislative District Democrats Meeting**  
**June 5, 2008**



Meeting location Puyallup Public Library

1. Call To Order 7:08 PM
2. Flag Salute
3. Roll Call of Officers & Attendees

*Lauren Adler*, Chair (P)  
*Louis Tibbs*, Vice Chair (P)  
*Cliff Allo*, Parliamentarian (P)  
*Luanne Green*, Treasurer (P)  
*Charley Stokes*, Secretary (P)  
Pierce Co. Central Committee Exec-Brd Members:  
*Frank Blair* (A); *Matt Hanbey* (P); *Audrey Chase* (A)

*Carolyn Merrival*, Membership (P)  
*Jerry Beckendorf*, State Committeeman (P)  
*Ellen Zulauf*, State Committeewoman (P)  
*John Berry*, Sgt-at-Arms (A)  
*Ray Green*, PCO/Caucus (P)  
*John Thompson*, Past Chair (A)

4. Adoption of Agenda. Moved, Seconded, Carried (M/S/C) to adopt the revised agenda to allow the elected officials to address the members early. Vote passed without objection (PWO).
5. Old Business. Chair Adler advised members on the new 25<sup>th</sup> LD website, now on-line ([www.25dems.org](http://www.25dems.org)). Members can access minutes, photographs, policies and procedures and common links at this new site, which now also carries a PayPal link for use in paying membership dues. Charley Stokes gave a report on results of the postcard mailing to precinct caucus attendees: Over 1,700 households were addressed, with about a 3% return for address change or unable to deliver, so we now have a distribution list that is highly accurate for Democratic contact in the 25<sup>th</sup>.
6. New Business. Jerry Beckendorf gave a brief description of the upcoming Meeker Day street-fair in Puyallup June 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>; a volunteer list will be going around. Chair Adler reminded the membership of the Wa State Democratic Convention on June 13th – 15<sup>th</sup> in Spokane.
7. Chair's Report: Deferred
8. Secretary's Report: The minutes of the May meeting, as published in the Focus newsletter and on the web site were presented for adoption along with a housekeeping motion to formally adopt the minutes for the Sep, Oct, Nov, Dec '07 and Mar and Apr '08 meetings which have been published in the Focus and mounted to the web site, but were never formally adopted by motion. It was M/S/C to accept all noted minutes.
9. Treasurer's Report: Luanne Green presented the treasures report; it was M/S/C to adopt the report.
10. State Committee Persons Report: Nothing to report until after the State Convention.
11. Committee Reports
  - PCO Chair Ray Green: 34 PCO's submitted filings this week. Their names will appear on the primary ballot of Aug 19.
  - Endorsement Chair Charley Stokes: Endorsement Committee (Betty Ogden, Joan Cronk, Cliff Allo, Ellen Zulauf and Ken Blair) will meet early next week to finalize the candidate forums per our procedures. The committee chair noted the 'Candidate Endorsement Questionnaire' being passed on the clipboard for review and asked for a motion to adopt same. It was M/S/C to adopt.
12. & 13. Elected Officials & New Candidates. **Rob Cerqui** announced his campaign kick-off for 25<sup>th</sup> LD Rep Position 1, at the Poodle Dog in Fife on June 26, from 5:30 – 7:30 PM. **Calvin Goings** described his County Ex campaign progress noting the latest endorsements received. Calvin also announced the annual Going BBQ to be held on Sat July 19 at the Goings Farm beginning at 5:00 PM and closed noting that IRV in Pierce Co is the first instance of partisan Instant Run-Off Voting in the United States and asked the members to be their first choice on the ballot with the slogan "ONE-TWO, KEEP IT BLUE!" **Jim Kastama** noted that the 25<sup>th</sup> is a swing-district and called for all members to help those running for office with getting out the message. Jim brought a supply of yard signs for distribution. **Dawn Morrell** running for reelection to 25<sup>th</sup> LD Rep Position 2, expressed her feelings on receiving the *Most Outstanding Graduate* Award from UW Tacoma. Dawn will be facing two opponents in her race and reinforced the call for the membership to step up and support the campaigns with outreach activities. Dawn also suggested the district should search out a suitable location for a campaign headquarters. **Al Rose**, candidate for Pierce Co Council Pos 2, noted his kick-off will be June 26<sup>th</sup> at the Almendinger Center at WSU extension. **Bruce Lachney**, running for Pierce Co Council Pos 3 asked members to visit his web site at [www.votelachney.com](http://www.votelachney.com) for additional info on him and his campaign. Jerry Beckendorf shared information on the **Darcy Burner** campaign for the 8<sup>th</sup> Cong Dist seat.
13. Good of the Order
15. Adjourn M/S/C 8:52 PM