

DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF LANE COUNTY

CENTRAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

4/19/2012 – Harris Hall, Eugene

The regular monthly meeting of the Democratic Party of Lane County Central Committee, held in Harris Hall on Thursday evening, April 19, 2012, was called to order at thirty-six minutes past six P.M., Mr. Smith being in the Chair & noting a quorum, & Mr. Becker as Secretary.

The agenda was adopted as distributed.

The minutes were approved as distributed.

The Treasurer's Report was received.

As a special order, the Committee heard a presentation from DPO Rules Chair Mr. Wayne Kinney regarding CD4 & DPO Conventions for electing Democratic National Convention Delegates.

The Fundraising & Revenue Committee submitted a written report.

The Budget Committee reported that while the Party is in the black, another fundraiser will be needed next year to maintain operations.

As a special order, the Committee called for nominations for the Special Election for the position of Chair. Mr. Smith stepped down from the Chair, and Organization Committee Chair Mr. Cundiff assumed the Chair. Mr. McCown, Ms. Fahey, & Mr. Smith had been nominated for the position at the previous meeting. After hearing no further nominations, the Chair declared nominations closed, and proceeded to allow the nominees two minutes

each to speak, after which supporters were allocated up to one minute each to speak on behalf of their candidate, with each candidate's supporters not to receive more than eight minutes total.

The Community Action Committee reported on preparations for the DPLC Earth Day Booth, as well as on their campaign to inform PCPs & interested parties who failed to file a PCP candidacy form how to wage a PCP write-in campaign.

The Publicity Committee reported on upcoming efforts to organize an internship program during the summer. The Committee Chair announced that, due to recent, isolated events on the DPLC Facebook page, the Committee will hold a meeting to develop a social media "Terms of Service" agreement, to explain how harassing content can be removed from our sites by our administrators. The Committee Chair also explained that fighting on a public page such as our DPLC Facebook page must stop; the public page is for constructive use, and personal matters should stay personal.

Ms. Desermeaux was presented a Certificate of Appreciation for her dedication to transforming the DPLC's website into a modern, friendly, & usable platform.

The Rules Committee announced that they would be holding meetings on the second Thursday of the month, from seven to eight P.M. in the DPLC office, to discuss pending issues.

The Organization Committee reported that the DPLC Organization Meeting will be held on December 8 at the OEA Hall. The Vice Chair for Volunteers explained that County Elections will not be processing any PCP appointments for the near future.

The Platform Committee reported on the upcoming State Platform Convention, and that the Executive Committee had allocated funds to be used as scholarships to defray the DPO's

cost of attendance. Interested parties should contact Mr. McCown as soon as possible.

The Campaign Services Committee submitted a written report, and proceeded to inform the assembly of the current races and upcoming campaign activities.

The Chair announced that Ms. Heermance has been appointed Office Manager.

Mr. Swenson submitted to the Secretary a resolution to be considered by the Platform Committee, and requested that this submission serve as notice to the Central Committee.

Mr. Smith moved to adjourn, which was seconded & approved unanimously at thirty-two minutes past eight o'clock.

Signed:

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Andrew S. Becker
Secretary

Approved:

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CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

4/19/2011 – HARRIS HALL: EUGENE, OREGON

- I. 6:30 CALL TO ORDER
- II. 6:31 GUEST SPEAKER
 1. DPO Delegate Convention (*Wayne Kinney*)
- III. 7:00 INTRODUCTIONS: officers, electeds, guests, & first timers
- IV. 7:02 ADOPTION OF AGENDA
- V. 7:04 APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES
- VI. 7:06 TREASURER'S REPORT (*Cathye Tritten*)
- VII. 7:10 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS
 1. Fundraising & Revenue Committee (*Julie Fahey*)
 - a. Acknowledgements
 2. Budget Committee (*Domini Stecker*)
- VIII. **SPECIAL ORDER: NOMINATIONS FOR DPLC CHAIR** (term expires at the end of the year)
 1. Nominations open
 - a. Nominated last month: Tony McCown, Julie Fahey, Skip Smith.
 2. Nominations closed – Each candidate will have up to 10 minutes as follows:
 - a. Up to 2 minutes to present themselves
 - b. Any remaining time for statements of support from PCPs (1 minute each)
- IX. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS (continued)
 1. Community Action Committee (*Celine Swensen-Harris*)
 - a. PCP write-in project for primary election
 - b. Earth Day (04/21/12)
 2. Public Relations Committee (*Chris Wig*)
 3. Rules Committee (*John Cuff*)
 - a. Explanation of Resolution 1.2012
 4. Organization Committee (*Richard Cundiff*)
 - a. Biennial Organizational Meeting (*Richard Cundiff*)
 - i. Date
 - b. Members (*Jill McKenney*)
 - c. Volunteers (*Sloan Heermance*)

- i. Nominations & Appointments (none)
 - ii. Explanation of current PCP nomination process
- 5. SCC & 4th CD Delegations (*Becky Gladstone*)
 - a. Rat Reilly – new SCC delegate, replacing Silver Mogart
 - b. Becky Gladstone – new 4th CD delegate, replacing Julie Fahey
- 6. Platform Committee (*Tony McCown*)
 - a. State Platform Convention (04/20-22/12)
- 7. Campaign Services Committee (*Kevin Cronin*)
- X. 8:10 OLD BUSINESS
- XI. 8:20 NEW BUSINESS
- XII. 8:25 ANNOUNCEMENTS (90 seconds each)
 - 1. 05/15/12 Primary Election
 - 2. Next CC meeting: **Thursday, May 17, 2012 @ LCC BLDG 17 - RM 309**
- XIII. 8:30 ADJOURNMENT



WAYNE KINNEY

Wayne Kinney is in his third term as Oregon's Democratic National Committeeman, & was recently elected secretary of the DNC's Western Caucus. He has been a member of the DPO state committee since 1991, & a member of the Executive Committee since 1993. In that time, Wayne has served two terms as DPO Secretary, two terms as chair of the Second Congressional District, two terms as chair of the Platform & Resolutions Committee, & he's in his third term as chair of the Rules Committee. He was one of the leaders in implementing Oregon's plan for its delegation to the Democratic National Convention for 2004 & 2008. Wayne's also served four times as temporary chair of the DPO, & was secretary of the DPO Platform Convention in 1998. In addition, he's served as chair of the county parties in Lake & Union counties, & as vice chair of the Deschutes County Democrats. During Wayne's time in the DPO, he has been the only party leader who lives east of the Cascades. When Wayne was elected Democratic National Committeeman in 2001, he was the first Eastern Oregon resident elected to that position since 1932. Wayne was born in Bridgeport, Conn., & raised in central Massachusetts. He first moved West in the mid-1970s, & was a reporter & editor for newspapers in Oregon, Idaho & Washington before becoming a property appraiser in Lake County in the early 1990s. There, at the urging of a county commissioner, he became chair of the Lake County Democrats & became involved with the DPO. In 1996, he joined the staff of newly elected U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden, & moved to La Grande to establish a field office. As Sen. Wyden is fond of pointing out, Wayne was the first-ever rural field representative for an Oregon U.S. Senator. Wayne moved to Bend in 2005, where he covers most of Central & Eastern Oregon from Sen. Wyden's field office there. Wayne's roots are in small-town New England, & his heart is in rural Oregon. He thinks of himself as a rural liberal, & believes strongly in democracy, responsive government & public service. He's tried to stay true to those values in his work within the Democratic Party of Oregon.



“When you're part of a team, you stand up for your teammates. Your loyalty is to them. You protect them through good and bad, because they'd do the same for you.”

– Lawrence Peter "Yogi" Berra (1925-1965)

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

APRIL 19, 2012

FUNDRAISING REPORT

Spring Gala Fundraiser:

I believe the volunteers generally felt good about giving of their time and energy to the party. On the planning side, while it was a lot of work, no one pulled any all-nighters and the committee worked well together. The event volunteers also seemed to be happy – we did have a technology breakdown during auction checkout which was a little stressful for them, but several have said that they would be happy to volunteer for the DPLC again.

I believe all of these things have set ourselves up to be more successful next time around. The fact that so many people are talking about how much fun it was hopefully means that it won't be so difficult to get people to attend next time around. And, I have had a few offers of planning help for the next time – I think these folks know how much work it is and didn't want to get sucked in to some huge commitment. But, if there is someone organized in charge, and they know that they can commit to a defined piece of the planning, without having to step in and do more than they had counted on, they will be more interested in helping.

Honestly, I would have liked to have seen the event make more money (I was hoping for \$20,000). But, equally honestly, in the planning process, I was more focused on the money aspect, and had no idea that we would see the kind of qualitative benefits described above.

The committee is working on follow-up items (e.g., organizing files to be put on the server; thank-yous and receipts to attendees, donors, and volunteers). Also, Cathye & Kingsley have put in a lot of time working on reporting.

The committee has discussed getting back on the odd-year schedule and having the next event in the fall of 2013. There was some discussion of having it as an annual event. However, spring of the odd years would be difficult timing primarily because the event takes 4-6 months to plan and the DPLC will be electing new officers in December 2012. And fall of the even years is not the best timing either due to elections. In addition, the event requires a significant investment of time to plan, and there is no guarantee that we will have someone who would be willing to chair it every year in the future. So, the plan is for the next event to be in the fall of 2013, with Julie playing a coach/advisor role to whoever the next Chair might be.



PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

TO: MEMBERS OF THE DPLC CENTRAL CMTE.

FROM: CHRIS WIG, DPLC PR CHAIR

I have three items for the consideration of the Central Cmte.:

1. **Recruitment**—Are you interested in advertising, communications or public relations? Do you want to help strategize and develop the DPLC brand throughout the community? If you answered yes to those questions, you're in luck—the DPLC PR Cmte. is recruiting new (and returning) members. As a new cmte. chair, I think it's important to enlist a diverse group of progressives to get the word out about our diverse, progressive organization. Please shoot me an email (pr@dplc.org) if you'd like to get involved.
- 1a. **Webmaster**—Our top priority is to recruit a volunteer interested in being trained as our webmaster. If you know someone who is tech savvy and allergic to Tea, please contact him or her on my behalf or send me the contact info.
2. **Internships**—A brand spankin' new DPLC Internship Program is in the works. Over the coming months, I'll be developing a curriculum so that we can get our university, community college and high school students involved with the DPLC and give them the opportunity to earn school credit while they do it. If you have any advice for or experience with creating an internship program from scratch, please contact me. Also, if you're just interested in developing the program (or know a student who might like to participate), feel free to shoot me an email or give me a ring.
3. **Outspoken**—The deadline to submit content for the July issue of *The Outspoken* is Monday, June 18, 2012. Please send your articles, pictures, story ideas, etc. as soon as you can because space has been at a premium in the last couple issues. As is tradition, the theme of the July issue is 'patriotism'.



RULES REPORT

RULES COMMITTEE MINUTES

APRIL 12, 2011 7-8 P.M. – DPLC OFFICE

Attendance:

Ron Craig, Christine Erguiza, Richard Cundiff, Jill McKenney, Celine Swenson-Harris, John Cuff

Excused:

Charles Dalton, Michael Murphy, Becky Gladstone, Sally Nunn

(The email sent announcing the meeting said the starting time was 6 P.M. On the web site calendar the correct time was 7 P.M. Due to this error, we had people that we allowed an excused absence.)

Introductions of attendees.

The Rules Committee packet included – By-laws of the 4th CD, DPO, DPLC, and ORS 248. We discussed how these documents relate to each other. The order of compliance is ORS, DPLC by-laws and then Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised.

We reviewed assigned task from the Central Committee, Executive Committee and pending task to be worked on by the Rules Committee. Each project was assigned a priority in accordance with when it must be completed. Our priority list is below.

1. Filling of the chair vacancy – procedure for this Thursday meeting (Richard Cundiff is the Organization Chair)
2. Lane County Young Democrats (LCYD) – A brief overview about our current relationship.
3. DPLC chair assigning Committee chairs – An amendment to the by-laws to have the exec committee fulfill this requirement.
4. Endorsement procedure – was it in compliance with the by-laws and Campaign Services policy. This included the 6/7 ruling.

We agreed (Rules and Organization) unanimously to request the acting chair to place on the agenda: “Each candidate will have up to 10 minutes at the April CC meeting as follows; up to 2 minutes to present themselves and the remaining time in 1 minute blocks for statements of support from PCPs.”

LCYD – We expect a letter from them about our future relationship by Monday April 16.

The next meeting will be the second Thursday of May 2012 7 – 8 P.M. DPLC office



RULES FOR DPLC SPECIAL ELECTION

MAY 17, 2012 SPECIAL ELECTION FOR CHAIR

APPROVED DATE: MARCH 15, 2012

Upon arrival at the Central Committee Meeting all Precinct Committee Persons (PCPs) will be credentialed. If the May 2012 Primary has not been certified ALL PCP's listed on the LCE Democratic PCP list who are credentialed may vote. Otherwise Only current PCPs will receive ballots for the Officer Positions (ORS 248.035 and DPLC Article V, B 5).

Any PCP arriving after 6:45 PM will NOT be credentialed.

1. The Vice Chair shall officiate at the meeting unless running for election. If a candidate for reelection, the DPLCCC shall confirm, someone (not a candidate for an officer position) to officiate at the Central Committee Meeting.
2. Any registered Lane County Democrat may be a candidate for DPLCCC chair...
3. Nominations will be open from the March 2012 CC meeting and closed at the April 2012 meeting. DPLCCC Chair Candidates shall be nominated from the floor by a member of the DPLCCC or self-nominated. (previous language). Once nominations are closed, each candidate and their supporters will have up to 15 minutes to share their views with the CC.
4. At the May 2012 CC meeting nominees for Chair will each have three (3) minutes to speak, with five (5) minutes each for questions from the floor. After all for a position have spoken, ballots for that office will be distributed and cast.
5. A majority is necessary to elect; if there are more than two (2) people on the ballot and no person receives a majority, the person receiving the lowest number of votes shall be dropped from the ballot and a new ballot cast. If only a single candidate is nominated, that candidate may be elected by acclamation.
6. Voting will be by secret ballot. The ballots will be counted by at least three (3) persons appointed by the presiding officer. Candidates may each have one (1) representative to witness the ballot counting.
7. The Central Committee may conduct regular business until the balloting results are announced.
8. A motion to adjourn is not in order until the installation of the new officer and announcement of all voting results.



ORGANIZATION REPORT

ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

4/5/12 – DPLC OFFICE

Jill continues to do the grunt work on the monthly sustainer program and computer record keeping. She has also taken on the task of co-chair with Celine of the Community Action Committee.

Sloan is the new office manager. Community Action and the organization chair have identified current PCP's who have not filed for re-election in the May primary. The rules for election/re-election as write-in PCP candidates will be posted and explained.

The shortfall of chairs and vice chairs for all HD's was discussed and the chair will find people who are committed for the positions.

Dan, Chris, Christine, Sloan and Richard will try to finish manuals for the HD chairs and vice chair's by May 17.

Celine will be working with Jill and Richard on the 4th of July Creswell Parade. A strong showing is a must. Carly G. is sure that Peter cannot participate but our very own HD 11 Representative, Phil Barnhart, definitely will.

Community Action is also working on Earth Day celebrations (April 21) and the Chili Cook-off on July 14.

Thursday, April 12, 2012, the Rules Committee chaired by John Cuff will hold a meeting 7-8 to discuss the endorsement process and the DPLC Chair nomination process.

The tentative date of Dec. 8 was chosen for our biennial reorganization meeting.

In closing, Skip asked for committee chairs to write their reports from the CC meetings.

Respectfully,

Richard O. Cundiff
Organization Chair



MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership's efforts in March mostly went to the gala/auction. These include:

- ▶ Attending planning meetings and debriefing meetings
- ▶ Obtaining auction items, filling out "In Kind" forms for donors or myself
- ▶ Helping set up the day of the gala and helping with last minute things
- ▶ Attending the gala/auction
- ▶ Helping the treasurer find addresses, occupations and employers for a few contributors
- ▶ Spending time at the office talking to drop-ins

Regular tasks completed include:

- ▶ Sending out thank you letters and cards for contributions not specifically for the auction
- ▶ Sending out normal March renewal requests

Tasks projected for April or later include:

- ▶ Prepare cards for those gala/auction contributors who qualify for being a Card Carrying Member and give them to Julie to include with her thank you letters.
- ▶ Send out the April renewal requests
- ▶ Enter end of 2011 monthly sustainer donations to the DPLC data base (*Howard*)
- ▶ Enter new donors, including the gala/auction donors, into My Campaign
- ▶ Enter new donors and all new donations into the DPLC data base (*Howard*)
- ▶ Bring the office square foot board up to date (*with Julie*)
- ▶ Make and execute a plan to call all lapsed contributors
- ▶ Find a reliable and interested person to take over the "care and feeding" of Monthly Sustainers
- ▶ Organize several file drawers of material at the office and home
- ▶ Back up the DPLC data base as soon as the gala/auction information is entered
- ▶ Help organize information on the gala/auction so it is accessible to future workers
- ▶ Discuss with the Ex. Committee the importance of data collection related to contributions

Respectfully,

Jill McKenney
Organization Vice Chair for Membership



SCC & 4th CD REPORTS

A NOTE FROM THE D4CDC CHAIR

Fellow Committee-persons of Oregon's 4th CD –

As you may know, I recently accepted a We Are Wisconsin field position on the critical gubernatorial recall of Scott Walker. Sadly, I can no longer continue to serve as Chair of the 4th Congressional District Committee.

Please allow me to express my sincere gratitude to our congressional district committee members, our state party leadership, and Congressman Peter DeFazio's campaign office.

Effective immediately, I am announcing my formal resignation as 4th Congressional District Chairperson.

For your enthusiastic support of our Committee's efforts to champion Democratic candidates up-and-down the ticket, thank you! For helping Get Out the Vote for Suzanne Bonamici, thank you! And for your continued dedication to the re-election efforts of Democrats as inspirational as Rep. DeFazio and President Barack Obama, thank you!

I hope to return home soon and continue advocating for our shared progressive values. In the meantime, please keep fighting the good fight – when we work together, we win.

All my best,

Matt Keating
D4CDC Chair

ADDITIONAL REPORT

At the last DPLC Executive Committee meeting:

- ▶ Pat Reilly has been elevated to delegate to the State Central Committee, replacing Silver Mogart.
- ▶ Becky Gladstone has been elevated to delegate to the 4th Congressional District, replacing Julie Fahey.



CAMPAIGN SERVICES REPORT

The Campaign Services committee has been busy. The committee chair has been meeting weekly with Mayor Piercy's campaign staff to assist in their race. Also has been meeting weekly with the Springfield races and even helping out on Sundays. I have talked to Will Shaver about our services, he is interested in the VAN, I have also helped him find Democratic Donors, as well as directing him to printers and office hardware for his needs. The big project coming up for campaign services is to assist in getting out the vote for our targeted race. (Springfield) There will be a DPLC GOTV weekend just before the election.

Also,

I need to work with the PR committee. Counselor Taylor is asking that we publicize our endorsement of her.

Respectfully,

Kevin Cronin
Campaign Services Chair

