

# DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF LANE COUNTY

## Platform Committee

9/19/2019

### RESOLUTION 2019.24

A resolution of the Democratic Party of Lane County

*Relating to SEIU collective bargaining with Oregon universities*

**WHEREAS**, the Service Employees International Union (SEIU), which represents custodians, office workers, nurses, security, landscapers, and IT specialists at seven Oregon universities, has been bargaining since the end of February; and

**WHEREAS**, a third of the more than 4,500 SEIU workers make less than \$12.60 per hour; and

**WHEREAS**, SEIU may soon go on strike against Oregon universities; and

**WHEREAS**, classified staff have had recent cost of living increases substantially below CPI increases; and

**WHEREAS**, universities are proposing to nickel and dime SEIU by increasing food service worker meal costs from \$1 to \$3;

**THEREFORE**, the Democratic Party of Lane County resolves:

**SECTION 1:** Support workers who are struggling to improve their working conditions through collective bargaining.

**SECTION 2:** Encourage the universities to help decrease income inequality by paying classified workers more.

**SECTION 3:** Support the SEIU should they strike.

**Resolved by the Central Committee of the Democratic Party of Lane County,  
Assembled in Eugene, Oregon, September 19, 2019**