

April membership general meeting – meeting held online via ZOOM

DRAFT submitted by Lori Shelden substituting for Emily Anderson, Secretary

Called to order by the Chair, Julie Anne Kempf, at 7:04 PM.

Acknowledgement of Native Lands - Hunter Brown.

Approval of Agenda: Moved: Debby Nissan, Second: Joan Tierney (adopted by unanimous consent)

Review of Minutes: the chair requested unanimous consent to move the review of the minutes to the end of the agenda, given the packed agenda and the time-specificity of the candidate forum and state Party chair tina Podlodowski's appearance.

1. Judicial Candidate – Two Minutes

- **Adam Eisenberg:** Pos. 3 Judge; elected 2018; looking for our endorsement; Assistant Presiding Judge and Assistance Domestic Violence Judge, Youth Traffic Court w/Roosevelt High School.

2. Adopt Geographic Changes to the LD Bylaws (removal of references to "Kenmore" and "Lake Forest Park")

- 6.3: Distribution of Officers
- Moved: Debby Nissan; Second: Joan Tierney
- Adopted by Unanimous Consent

~~Remove this language: Section 6.3: Distribution of Officers Any member in good standing may be elected to the offices listed in this Article, provided at least one position shall be filled by a resident from each of Kenmore, Lake Forest Park, and Seattle. Rules for conducting the vote shall be adopted that ensure this distribution requirement will be met.~~

13.4 Community Outreach

Section 13.4: Community Outreach: The Community Outreach Committee shall be a standing committee responsible for developing and implementing an action plan for linking the 46th District Democrats with neighborhood and community organizations within or affecting ~~the territory within the 46th Legislative District North Seattle, Lake Forest Park, and Kenmore.~~

4. With time available in the agenda before the candidate forum was to begin at 7:30pm, **Good of the Order** was called for:

- Mario: Falit-Baiamonte: received driving license; enabling him to extend his 'get out the vote' activities.
- Marie Vanschravendijk: 1st canvas for Kim Schrier this weekend: 11am – 2pm – Go to website to sign up plus phone banks starting tomorrow
- Aiden Carroll: mentioned Homeless sweeps; offered tiny houses or other locations
- Julie Conklin: she and husband split districts; any interest in providing input on potential platform amendments in her husband's district, reach out to Tim?
 - ttabooli@hotmail.com, (425) 219-8002. 5th LD delegate to state convention, 5th LD platform chair, welcomes collaboration with other folks who want to discuss amendments to the Labor pillar (section) of the state platform.
- Video on initiative 135: https://youtu.be/iq2Ker4_ys8

4. Candidate Forum: 46th LD House Seats

Moderator: The Hon. Phillippa Kassover, Lake Forest Park City Councilmember

1. What would you like to tell us about yourself as being a candidate?
2. Climate Change Question
3. Housing Crisis Question
4. Racial Equity and Civil Rights Question
5. Gun Violence Question
6. What would you like to clarify or correct from today?

State Representative Candidates-46th LD

Gerry Pollet – Candidate for Position 1

Nancy Connelly – Candidate for Position 2

Darya Farivar – Candidate for Position 2

Lelach Rave – Candidate for Position 2

Melissa Taylor – uioCandidate for Position 2rweq

(Nina Martinez, Position 2, was unable to attend, due to a family health emergency)

4. State Party Chair Tina Podlodowski!

- **Focus is on voter turnout**
- Get people engaged and focused – set aside differences and focus on reaching voters
- Hired many coordinated campaign organizers
- Spring meeting: ASDC here in Seattle
- Thank you for previous and future work!

5. House our Neighbors – Seattle Initiative 135

- Camille Gix, speaker from I-135
- Effort to create a publicly owned housing developer to create social/renting housing.
- Mixed income element; higher income subsidization for lower income; bonding authority element.
- <https://www.houseourneighbors.org/initiative-overview-and-text>
- houseourneighbors.org/honevents
- Marc Auerbach: Motion on Action for House Our Neighbors (Seattle Initiative 135):
- **Motion to support the signature-gathering campaign for Seattle Initiative 135** by Marc Auerbach/s P. Duggan/
passed on yes/no button vote
 - Objection to adoption by unanimous consent by a member
 - On a vote via yes/no button, the chair determined majority clearly was for passage

6. Treasury Report: As always, expenditures can be found monthly on the PDC report at www.pdc.wa.gov

There have been no expenditures thus far this year not contained in the budget adopted by membership in February 2022. Bank Balances as of 4/15/2022:

46th LD Operating Fund	\$5,347.15
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Raymond T. Cole Fund

Cole Fund Savings	\$2,767.61
Cole Fund BECU CD	\$5,619.65
Cole Fidelity Account	\$16,804.11

7. Minutes:

- The district chair explained that under Robert's, (ed: RONR12; 41:9) minutes are reviewed and are considered approved, no motion to "adopt" is necessary. Changes are simply noted, if agreed upon by unanimous consent. However, if changes are noted and objected to, formal motions and action may ensue.
- The district chair also noted that under our emergency rule within the Bylaws, we will also ratify the review of all minutes from the timeframe covered by the Covid emergency at our first in-person meeting following the state of emergency, which we are planning for July, at an outdoor venue.
- Only those members who were members at the time of each meeting's occurrence have standing to participate in ratification.
- The chair noted where the minutes from March 2022 were located on the website, if members wished to take another look at them:
- [3-30-22 Minutes of the General Meeting of the 46th District Democrats.pdf \(nationbuilder.com\)](#)
- Rachael Woodbrook moved to provide all the minutes from the start of the lawsuit (ed: August 2017) through the May meetings, in advance of the May General Meeting to provisionally approve in May;
- The chair passed the gavel to Vice Chair Andrzej Montano, so that she could appropriately participate in discussion and debate on this matter.
- Once the gavel was passed, Julie Anne Kempf asked the meeting chair to be recognized. As a point of information, she pointed out that the motion as stated had two problems – one of which rendered the motion impossible: 1) The minutes from the lawsuit period were under review, to ensure that any items inappropriate for publication to the website were redacted before publication, that the timeline was already set, and that this was an active, ongoing project begun several months ago, with an end date of late June, to ensure availability for the ratification meeting in July, and that 2) the motion on the floor was asking for minutes from the May meetings to be approved, when those meetings will not have occurred yet and thus producing those minutes would be literally impossible.
- Upon it being pointed out that some of the meeting minutes requested would not have occurred yet, the maker of the motion asked for unanimous consent to amend the ask for minutes from October 2021 to April 2022.
- Scott Forbes objected to amending the motion by unanimous consent.
- The meeting chair was advised by the Parliamentarian that the motion should be ruled out of order, as an impossible motion (ed: RONR12; section 39), and that then the maker of the motion could be re-recognized to make a different motion.
- The meeting chair ruled as the Parliamentarian advised.
- Scott Forbes appealed the decision of the chair.
- Vote took place to appeal the decision of the chair – 16 in favor, 36 against. The appeal to the ruling of the chair failed.
- Rachael Woodbrook moved to provide minutes from October 2021 to April 2022 for the May General Meeting with a week to review and to provisionally approve. Minutes to be published May 11, 7 days prior to the General Meeting on May 18. /s/ passed by unanimous consent

Platform Committee Report: Hunter provided a status update on the 46th LD Platform amendments to be submitted by the convention delegation to the state convention; work continues through this weekend.

Without objection, the chair adjourned the meeting at 10:31 pm