

# 46th District Democrats

January 14, 2023 | 11:00 am | Meeting called by King County Democratic Central Committee (KCDCC)

## Biennial Reorganization Meeting

Location: Meeting held online via ZOOM with in-person accommodation location: Lake City Library  
12501 28th Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98125

DRAFT submitted by Kristiana Beverlin and Rachel Woodbrook

**Called to Order by the, Chair Jeremy Barksdale (KCDCC), at 11:33am.**

The Chair provided a Welcome Statement and Land Acknowledgement.

The following officers appointed to aid the Chair in running the meeting:

- Secretary- Kristiana Beverlin
- Parliamentarian- James Barker
- Credentialing- Christy Wood

**Credentialing Report** from Christy Wood: 65 PCOs present, for 63%.

**Adoption of Agenda.** The Chair requested a motion to adopt the agenda. 11:35am

- Moved by Deborah Nissen
- Seconded by Melissa Taylor

**Adoption of meeting rules.** The Chair asked if there was a motion to adopt the meeting rules. 11:40am

- Moved by Melissa Taylor
- Seconded by Deborah Nissen

Tara Gallagher moved to amend the meeting rules by striking the last two sentences of Rule 22: "After each speech, two speakers may speak in favor of each candidate for one minute. No speech against a candidate is allowed."

- Seconded by Melissa Taylor

**Tabling of meeting rules vote.** The chair requested that the vote on meeting rules be tabled until after a Bylaws vote of the PCOs.

- Moved by Deborah Nissen
- Seconded by Mark Hennon

The chair asked if there is any objection to tabling. Hearing none, the vote on the meeting rules was tabled.

**Bylaws vote.** The Chair explains that there are two sets of Bylaws with conflicting information on how the LD Treasurer position is filled. One dated December 2022 and the other dated January 2021. Scott Forbes moves to ratify the changes to the Bylaws made during the January 2021 meeting.

- Seconded by Julie Anne Kempf

After a brief presentation by Scott Forbes and Julie Anne Kempf, the Chair asks if there is any objection to the motion. Hearing none, the Chair rules that the motion passes.

**Adoption of meeting rules.** The vote on the amendment to strike the last two sentences of Rule 22 is reestablished. A discussion of credentialing occurs. Debby Nissen requests to speak. The Chair rules that all comments must be saved for the Good of the Order.

Al Lee moves to “Appeal the decision of the Chair”.

- Seconded by Betty Means

The ballot reads: Should the Chair's decision to postpone feedback about a comment made during the meeting be postponed until the Good of the Order be sustained?

- Yes – 78 votes
- No – 25 votes
- Abstain – 0 votes

The Chair’s ruling is sustained.

Ballot on amending Rule 22 asks: “Should the last 2 sentences of rule 22 be removed from the rules?”

- Yes – 94 votes
- No – 10 votes
- Abstain – 1 vote

Leon Norton moves to adjourn. The Chair rules the motion out of order as there is already another motion on the floor. The Chair asks if there is any objection to adopting the rules as amended. Hearing none, the Chair rules that the meeting rules are adopted.

**Election of the Chair of the 46<sup>th</sup> LD.** Hunter Brown and Andrzej Montano are nominated. A question about quorum is asked. The Chair notes that over 40 or 10% of the voting membership is required. The Chair rules that quorum requirements are met.

Julie Anne Kempf requests a credentialing report for PCOs. Christy Wood reports that 55 PCOs are present for the vote. Candidates for Chair of the 46<sup>th</sup> LD speak. Ballots are launched at 3:34pm.

Results are ready (3:45pm):

- Hunter Brown – 35 votes
- Andrzej Montano – 27 votes

Rachel Woodbrook to continue as Secretary in place of Kristina Beverin who had to leave.

Newly elected Chair of the 46<sup>th</sup> LD, Hunter Brown, requested that Jeremy Barksdale continue to Chair the meeting and that KCDCC continue to run tally and credentialing to ensure the meeting continue to operate without delay. Jeremy Barksdale agrees to continue as Chair and KCDCC will run the meeting.

**Election of the Vice-Chair.** Lisa Rivera Smith and Jordan DeMaria are nominated. Candidates speak. Ballots are launched at 3:56pm.

Results:

- Lisa Rivera Smith – 41 votes
- Jordan DeMaria – 17 votes

**WSDCC Representative Positions 1 and 2.** Tara Gallagher, Scott Forbes, Andrzej Montano, and Julie Anne Kempf are nominated. The Chair notes that all candidates will be on a single ballot. PCOs will vote for up to two people on the ballot. If voting for two people, PCOs must vote for people of differing genders. Candidates speak. Ballots are launched at 4:26pm.

Results:

- Tara Gallagher – 38 votes
- Scott Forbes – 36 votes
- Andrzej Montano – 23 votes
- Julie Anne Kempf – 21 votes

**KCDCC Representative Positions 1 and 2.** Galaxy Marshall and Alex Phillips-White are nominated. Hearing no other nominations from the floor, both candidates are elected.

**KCDCC Alternate Positions 1 and 2.** Rob Jenks and Bryce Cannatelli are nominated. Hearing no other nominations from the floor, both candidates are elected.

A credentials report of membership in attendance is provided. Quorum requirements are met. The body is notified that the remaining positions are voted upon by the full membership.

**Secretary.** Rachel Woodbrook is nominated. Hearing no other nominations from the floor, she is elected.

**Member At-Large Positions 1-9.** Nominations received in advance of the meeting: Kathy Bentson, Marc Auerbach, Scott Aslpach, Aidan Carroll, Brian Berry, Mario Falit-Baiamonte, Debbie Carlsen, Sylvia Haven, and Melissa Taylor. Nominations from the floor: Andrzej Montano, Drew Pollom, Erica Lee, and Julie Anne Kempf.

Gerry Pollet requests that all nominees be elected. He asks for parliamentary review of the Bylaws. The Parliamentarian informs the Chair that electing more than nine people would require a bylaws change. The Chair rules that only nine people may be elected.

All candidates, with the exception of Andrzej Montano and Julie Anne Kempf, speak. Julie Anne Kempf declined the nomination.

Ballots open at 5:30pm (ballots closed at 5:46pm).

Henry Pollet notes that Andrzej Montano did not speak and asks if he should be on the ballot. Henry Pollet notifies the body that Andrzej Montano declined the nomination. An inquiry is made about Deborah Nissen's eligibility. The Chair noted that she was not nominated and nominations were closed.

**Motion on February Meeting.** Melissa Taylor moves that the February Meeting be held virtually with an in-person accommodation for those that need it as practical.

- Seconded by Bryce Cannatelli

The Chair calls for objections. Hearing none, the motion passes.

**Motion to adjourn.** Matthew Lang moves to adjourn as soon as the results for the positions of Member-At-Large are finalized.

- Seconded by Debbie Carlsen

Discussion occurs. The Parliamentarian notes that the motion is in order. A ballot will be created.

**Results for Member At-Large Positions 1-9.** The Tally Committee announces that results for the Positions 1-9 of Member-At-Large are ready.

- Kathy Bentson 75
- Marc Auerbach 78
- Scott Alspach 65
- Aidan Carroll 57
- Brian Berry 32
- Mario Falit-Baiamonte 64
- Debbie Carlsen 62
- Sylvia Haven 67
- Melissa Taylor 59
- Drew Pollom 34
- Erica Lee 74

Kathy Bentson, Marc Auerbach, Scott Alspach, Aidan Carroll, Mario Falit-Baiamonte, Debbie Carlsen, Sylvia Haven, Melissa Taylor, and Erica Lee are elected.

**Results for Motion to adjourn.** More than 85% of the members present voted in the affirmative to adjourn once tally results for all elected positions were finalized.

**Meeting Adjourned at 6:14pm.**