

46th District Democrats
Regular Membership Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 18, 2025

7:00pm: Regular Meeting

Location: [Zoom](#)

- Welcome and declaration of quorum - **7:08pm**
- Land Acknowledgement
- Meeting Norms
 - Member Support/Status Contact
- Consent Agenda

Adopted by unanimous consent

- Approve Today's Agenda
- Approve [February 18, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes](#)
- Approval of Financial Review Committee members
 - Vice Chair Lisa Rivera, Treasurer Lisa Levy, Deputy Treasurer Melissa Taylor, and Member at Large Doug Mormann
- Candidate Statements -
 - *For Seattle City Attorney: Rory O'Sullivan*
 - *For Seattle City Attorney: Nathan Rouse*
 - *For Seattle Mayor: Ry Armstrong*
 - *For Seattle Mayor: Katie Wilson*
 - *For Seattle City Council Position 9: Dionne Foster*
- [Bylaws, Standing Rules, and Endorsement Rules Updates](#) (There are six pages of proposed changes, scroll down to see the subsequent pages in the document) - *Margaret Shield & Tara Gallagher*

Proposed changes to Endorsement Rules Sec. 5.a.3 (on Speaking Before the Endorsements Meeting)

Passed without objection.

Proposed changes to Rules sections 3.2 and 3.3 introduced by Margaret Shield (on membership requirements and residence)

Amendment #1 by Elizabeth Rosenthal: In Rules proposed section 3.2, strike "post-secondary" and substitute "college". **Motion fails for lack of a second.**

Amendment #2 by Pat Tressel: In Rules proposed section 3.3, add the word "voting" before the word "members" in both sentences. Mark seconds.

Meanwhile: **Point of information by Kathy Sakahara-** Is there such a thing as a non-voting member? Hunter: Yes

Amendment 2.1 by Al Lee to Amendment 2: Remove the proposed change to the second sentence, so that the amendment 2 would only change the first sentence. Seconded by Gary Goldblum. **Voted down 7 to 12.**

Amendment 2 passes 24 to 1. Point of information and multilayered amendments.)

Amendment #3 by Gary Goldblum: Strike the phrase “unless they are a student pursuing post-secondary education.” **Motion fails for lack of a second.**

The vote on the original proposed changes to 3.2 and 3.3 also passes 24 to 1. (25 to 1 if counting Margaret's vote that had to be oral due to screen sharing).

Proposed changes to Rules sections 11 introduced by Tara Gallagher (on platform and platform committee)

Amendment 1 by Sarajane Siegfriedt to replace the word “reviewed” with “revised”, Tara Gallagher seconds. **Amendment passes without objection.**

The proposed changes to section 11 also pass without objection.

Proposed changes to Rules section 12 introduced by Tara Gallagher (permitting 2/3rds majority of Executive Board to sign time-sensitive letters congruent with platform)

The changes pass with 32 in favor and 2 opposed.

Proposed addition to Rules section 8 introduced by Tara Gallagher (requiring each voting to have own email address)

Passed without objection.

Proposed changes to Rules section 7 introduced by Tara Gallagher (on process to amend budget)

Passed without objection.

- Endorsement Vote
 - [King County Proposition No. 1 - Regional Automated Fingerprint Identification System \(AFIS\) Levy](#) (April 2025 Special Election)
 - Carol Cummings motions to endorse a position of approve, Melissa Taylor seconds. Rachel Woodbrook motions to take a position of ‘take no action’.
 - **8 in favor, one opposed, 35 take no action**
- Policy Committee Update – *Shane Macomber* - **unanimous consent permits this to move to email for time purposes**
- [Ratification of 2024 Budget Amendment](#)
 - **Passed without objection.**
- [Proposed 2025 Budget](#) - introduced by Lisa Levy
 - **Passed without objection.**
- Finance Report - Lisa Levy: 7k in checking plus 25k in savings is 32k, 1800 contributions last month and more this month being counted, fiscal year goes to end of March
- Updates from the State Committee - Tara Gallagher: delegate selection plan being written for 2026 convention, next meeting in Yakima, more info to follow
- Updates from KCDCC - Galaxy Marshall: Congressman Smith came to speak and brought a demeanor that, I hesitate to say but, was unusually disappointing. There's a Seattle Schools fundraiser at Highline College, noon on April 4th
- New Business
- Announcements
 - Eboard voted to phase out family memberships, they can be renewed until the end of March. Surviving the Moment event was a great success. Thanks to speakers David Montes, Pam Crone, Anne Udaloy, Lance Ludwick, Alexis

Mercedes Rinck, and special thank you to Sabrene Odin for coming to speak and withstanding Islamophobic hate outside the event

- [Protect Puget Sound: A Luncheon to Fight Back](#) - to prevent right-wing takeovers in local school boards
- [PCO Committee Meeting](#), March 26, 7pm on Zoom
 - All members and Precinct Committee Officers are welcome to attend
- Good of the Order
- Adjournment proposed by Tara Gallagher, seconded by Rachel Woodbrook, **passed without objection 9:39pm**

Resources

- [Bylaws of the 46th District Democrats of Washington](#)
- [Standing Rules of the 46th District Democrats of Washington](#)
- [Standing Endorsement Rules of the 46th District Democrats of Washington](#)
- [46th PDC Committee Page](#)