

**43rd District Democrats
Executive Board Meeting**

April 9, 2007

Present: Hillary Madsen, Chair
Julian Saucedo Wheeler, 1st Vice Chair and Vice Chair for Programs
Paulo Pontemayor, Vice Chair for Elections
Kirk Shirley, Vice Chair for Events
Stephanie Pure, Vice Chair for Membership
Neal Traven, Interim Secretary
Karelina Resnick, Treasurer
David Kunselman, State Committeeman
Jean Carlson, State Committeewoman
Linda Clifton, King County Committeewoman
Arvia Morris, King County Committeewoman/alternate

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:38pm. She reminded the E-board that the 2008 precinct caucuses are scheduled (as far as we know) for February 9, ten months from now. The caucus date will be nailed down soon, at the upcoming State Committee meeting.

Officer reports:

KCDCC – Clifton noted that the KCDCC report she submitted did not make it into the April newsletter. This omission might be due to issues with switching to the new newsletter editor.

Secretary – Traven reported that the minutes of the organization's February meeting have been uploaded to the website.

Communications – Madsen informed the E-board that Misty Shock is about to leave on an extended world tour. Although Rob Dolin has been appointed to fill in temporarily, a longterm solution is necessary. She will ask for volunteers at the next meeting and in the newsletter. Madsen also reported that Dolin has created a tool for KCDCC that drills down to precinct level, displaying precinct boundaries and several years-worth of voting results.

Treasurer – Based on incomplete information obtained from previous treasurers, Resnick estimated that the organization's current cash balance is approximately \$14,000. She expressed concern that she still hasn't received full records from prior years. She has been having difficulties with the PDC software, but noted that they expect to produce a Mac version of their materials very soon. Resnick requested vice chairs to submit budget requests and justifications, so that the 2007 budget can be discussed in detail at the next E-board meeting.

Resnick mentioned that she recently received an offer from MyEmma, our email-list software provider, to drop our rate if we signed up for a full year. The E-board supported accepting that price. Resnick continued with the suggestion to

develop a more rational dues structure, perhaps including member benefits for higher levels of support. If restructuring is to be done, it is imperative to do so before the large influx of new members that always occurs as the presidential election cycle heats up.

Programs – Wheeler reported that he is searching for alternative meetingplaces. He distributed a list of community centers, schools, houses of worship, and the like from which he has obtained data. Information collection continues, but a decision should be made very soon.

Events – Shirley informed the E-board that it was necessary to move the site of the Spring Fling, due to an absolute prohibition on fundraising at the Burke Museum. He has already contacted Pioneer Hall, and decided to move the event there. Date and time are unchanged. He is redoing the promotional flyer, but requests volunteers to call members to inform them about the new venue. He is currently soliciting food donations (hors d'oeuvres/finger food), items for the auction, and additional details.

April membership meeting:

The April 17 meeting will take place at University Baptist Church, with a theme of **climate change**. Wheeler has received confirmations from four panelists. Aside from the program, the meeting will largely consist of E-board reports, including invitations to the members to participate on standing committees.

For future meetings, suggested topics include ballot-box security, emergency preparedness.

Good of the order:

The Resolutions Taskforce plans to meet at 7:30pm on Monday, April 16th, at the Tully's in Wallingford.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:32pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Neal Traven
Interim Secretary