



August 2017

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From the Chair

By Allison Fine Taylor, Acting Chair

As Acting Chair of the 30th LD, I have to say that a month ago, I could not have guessed that I would be in the position of writing to the Body from this "seat".

When thinking about a focal point for the newsletter submission, there was one word that kept coming to my mind - change.

Change is inevitable, yet when change happens quickly and unexpectedly it can be somewhat unnerving. The last few weeks for our LD has been full of changes, many of them

surprising, but there's a very important

constant that remains; we cannot control the things that other people do

to create change but we can control how we respond to it.

With that in mind, the E-Board would like to formally thank all of the people who have recently given time and effort for various positions. Each of your contributions have improved the 30th LD as a whole.

The response to the changes in the LD? Moving forward and getting better. There are many open positions, both elected and appointed. You will find information about these positions later in this newsletter as well as formal announcements about the election and appointment process.

With change also comes opportunity. Perhaps this is your moment to step forward and be part of the leadership team for the 30th. If you are interested in a position but are

General Membership Meeting

August 2, 2017, 7:00 to 9:00 PM

Belmor Park Clubhouse
2101 S 324th St, Federal Way

(First Wednesday of each month)

unsure of what sort of commitment is needed, please reach out to an E-Board member or myself and we can help answer any questions you have.

As an active LD, we can take this time of change and use it to make our organization stronger. We also can develop a plan for the future, creating measurable goals and expectations for ourselves while continuing to help get Democrats elected into offices or remain in the offices they already hold.

The 30th LD is a powerful organization able to create change like we saw in the 2016 elections at the State level. Next year we have the ability to do even more and I know that it's completely doable if we keep our focus.

I will also add that it is important to hold ourselves accountable while providing understanding for those in a new role and thus experiencing the learning curve. A spirit of teamwork and respect for one another is paramount to successful changes and forward progress.

I appreciate all of the input and support I have received as Acting Chair and look forward to working with the Leadership and the Body of this organization moving forward. I hope we can take the changes that have happened and see them as opportunities to become stronger and more powerful as we continue onward.

Membership Retention Efforts

By Joshua Fike

I took on the role of the membership chair last month and am excited to volunteer more with the 30th! In addition to

maintaining the membership list and tracking attendance at our meetings, I'd like to bring a stronger emphasis to membership engagement and retention to the Membership Committee.

The issue of membership retention has weighed heavily on my mind, especially with all our recent leadership changes. As an entirely volunteer-based organization, we will lose members if they feel they are wasting their time or not being respected.

There are some things all members can do immediately – trust that each volunteer is trying their best to make our organization successful. We might have different ideas about how to do that, or different time commitments or abilities to contribute. But if we trust each other and communicate with an open mind, we can work together when conflicts arise to address problems, forgive mistakes, and move forward.

I have a few ideas to improve membership engagement for the short term:

1. Hold a new membership contest to see who can bring the most new members to a general membership meeting
2. Create a new member packet that has info about how to get involved with the group and contribute to the meetings
3. Pair existing members with new members to help new people make connections and become better oriented
4. Send out surveys to get feedback on our meetings/events and submit the input to the executive board for process improvement
5. Reach out directly to members who stopped coming to meetings recently

and personally invite them to events. Also ask what would entice them to get involvement.

What do you think of these ideas? Do you have any ideas of ways we can help members feel better engaged with the organization? Would you like to join the membership committee? Email membership@30thdems wa.org.

Elections Announcement

At the August 2nd General Meeting we will have elections for the following positions:

1. Chair
2. Vice-Chair (possibly 2 positions)
 - * Both King and Pierce Counties must be represented among the Chair and Vice-Chair officeholders per the bylaws
3. King County Democratic Central Committee (KCDCC) Female Delegate Alternate
4. Possible - King County Democratic Central Committee (KCDCC) Female Delegate
5. Pierce County Democratic Central Committee (PCDCC) – 3 positions available, must live in Pierce County
6. Legislative Action Committee Delegate Alternate

If you're interested in the Chair position, please contact King County Democrats Chair Bailey Stober at stoberbailey@gmail.com. It is not mandatory that you contact him, but it will help as he will be running the election for this position. The newly elected chair will run the elections for the rest of the positions.

Also, there will be a short "Candidate Forum" for the Chair and Vice-Chair positions at the beginning of the General meeting, hosted by State Rep. Kristine Reeves. This is intended to be a fun way for the Body to get to know a bit about the Candidates. The Vote will be held after the break in the agenda.

If you're interested in any of the other positions you may contact Allison Taylor at allisonmarie2378@gmail.com or any E-Board Member. You can also email the current E-Board at execboard@30thdems wa.org.

Officer Responsibilities

If you've been wanting to step up to a leadership position but aren't sure where your strengths would fit best, here's a quick overview of each elected and appointed position. These descriptions are not all inclusive, but give you an idea of who does what around the 30th!

Elected Positions

(See Article VIII of the Bylaws for official duties:

<http://www.30thdems wa.org/bylaws.php>)

Chair (VACANT) – LD party leader; official spokesperson for the 30th District Democrats; sets agenda and chairs meetings; develops and oversees committees; representative to the County Central Committee and Executive Board of his/her residence (King or Pierce), meets monthly; representative to the State Party Chairs Committee, meets 3x/year;

Vice-Chairs (VC1 - Allison Fine Taylor, VC2 - VACANT) – assists the Chair

Secretary (Christina Kim) – records minutes of all meetings

Treasurer (Dorothy Burt) – receives and disburses funds; records all revenues and expenditures; sends regular reports to the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC)

State Committeewoman / Committeeman (Ginny Leach; Brent Williams Ruth) – delegate to State Democratic Party meetings (3x per year); reports back to the 30th District Democrats

King County Democratic Central Committee (KCDCC) Female / Male Delegates (Allison Fine Taylor; Jim Zanetti) – delegate to KCDCC meetings (in Tukwila, 4th Tuesday of each month reports back to the 30th District Democrats; reports back to the 30th District Democrats

KCDCC Female / Male Alternates (Female: VACANT; Male: Frank James) – alternate delegate to KCDCC meetings in the absence of the delegate

Pierce County Democratic Central Committee (PCDCC) Delegates (Debbie Marfiak, 2 positions VACANT) – delegate to PCDCC monthly meetings; reports back to the 30th District Democrats

Legislative Action Committee (LAC) Representative (Peggy Maze Johnson) – representative to King County Democrats LAC meetings; reports back to the 30th District Democrats

Legislative Action Committee (LAC) Alternate (VACANT) – alternate representative to King County Democrats

LAC meetings in the absence of the representative

Young Democrats Representative (VACANT) – a candidate nominated by the Young Democrats may be selected by the 30th District Democrats membership to serve as a representative on the Executive Board

Standing Committees

Appointed by the Chair; approved by the Executive Board

(See Article XI of the Bylaws for official duties:

<http://30thdemswa.org/bylaws.php>)

Remember that becoming a committee chair does not mean you have to do all of the work alone. Committee chairs are encouraged to create and oversee a team that will work together and with the other committees.

Communications / Technology (Dan Turley) – publishes monthly newsletter; maintains website, social media, and technology used by the 30th District Democrats; logo, banners, business cards, fliers, etc.

PCO Coordinator (Jeffery Holden) – recruits and trains PCOs

Membership (Joshua Fike) – sign-in and credentialing at meetings; maintains name tags

Fundraising (VACANT) – plans and executes fundraisers; raffle table at monthly meetings, at least one dinner event per year; develop other events or ideas to increase fundraising

Hospitality (VACANT) – set-up and tear-down for meetings; provides

refreshments at meetings and social activities (all expenses reimbursed); maintains storage for equipment and supplies; responsible for Annual Summer Picnic (July/August) and Annual Winter Party (December)

Outreach (VACANT) – Plans and executes outreach events (parades, fairs, community events, etc.), voter registration drives, and participation in community meetings; ensures visibility of the 30th District Democrats in the greater community; invites potential members and guests to our meetings; distributes information about the 30th District Democrats

Government Relations (VACANT) – provides the membership with information and possible citizen actions related to government, including cities, counties, utility districts, school districts, and the state and federal government

Ad-hoc Committees

These are committees that are created on an as-needed basis to address specific needs.

BOTH OF THESE COMMITTEES ARE CURRENTLY MEETING AND MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO JOIN!!

Please contact the chair of the committee for more info (Or any E-Board Member can help!)

Bylaws and Standing Rules (Madalyn Grayson) – recommends changes to the Bylaws and Standing Rules as needed; recommendations are voted on by the general membership

Budget (Dorothy Burt) –drafts a budget for the 30th District Democrats

Other Positions

Parliamentarian (Pete Lazzaretti) – appointed by the Chair; familiar with parliamentary procedures and assists with definitions or disputes regarding rules and procedures at meetings

Sergeant-at-arms (VACANT) – appointed by the Chair; keeps order during meetings; if necessary, forcibly removes any members or guests who are overly rowdy or disruptive

Open Committee Chair Announcement

The next Chair will have the pleasure of appointing new Committee Chairs for the following committees:

- Outreach
- Hospitality
- Fundraising
- Government Relations

If you're interested in any of these positions, please reach out to the Elected Chair or any E-Board member. Plan on attending the E-Board meeting on Wednesday 8/9 at 7pm at the Federal Way Library on 1st Avenue as well, as appointments are made by the Chair and confirmed by the E-Board

Ad-Hoc Budget and Bylaws Committee Announcement!

As the 30th continues to grow, we are recognizing the need for a more structured budget. Treasurer Dorothy Burt has volunteered to Chair an ad-hoc committee to establish a budget.

If you're interested in helping with this committee, please email budget-

committee@30thdemswa.org to get added to the email list and find out the date of the next meeting.

The Bylaws Committee is also back at it!

If you'd like to be part of the committee that gives input about the bylaws and standing rules, this is the committee for you. Madelyn Grayson and her team are working to update the bylaws to reflect new changes that have arisen in the last few months. If you want to attend their next meeting, please email bylaws at bylaws-committee@30thdemswa.org for more info!

Summer of Canvass

The Washington State Democrats Summer of Canvass events are continuing to take place across the state and right here in the 30th LD.

There are TWO MORE events that are on the calendar and we need as many people as possible to help spread the word and attend!! Please put this on your social media, and to any political groups you are part of etc.

The first canvass, hosted by Jamila Taylor will take place as follows:

Date: Saturday, July 29th
Time: 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Location: Poverty Bay Coffee
1108 S 322nd Pl
Federal Way, WA 98003

The second canvass, hosted by Jennifer Hurley will take place as follows:

Date: Sunday, August 6th
Time: 10:30 AM - 2:30 PM
Location: Jennifer Hurley's Home
Address Provided Upon Rsvp

Auburn, WA

Thank you and your support in attending and PROMOTING these events!

Resistance Movements

Since the November election, there has been an abundance of new activism in response to the Trump presidency. Grassroots groups started forming within weeks after the election, some in forms of protest, but others defining strategy and ways to advocate for progressive change. Most of these groups can be found on Facebook, although they do have local in-person meetings as well.

You may have heard of the Indivisible movement by now. Indivisible is a guide for people to lobby their Representatives, written by current and former staffers. Using the Indivisible guide, everyday citizens are able to hold members of Congress accountable. The mission is to "fuel a progressive grassroots network to defeat the Trump agenda." There are currently 5983 Indivisible groups nationwide, with many throughout King County. Indivisible groups hold town hall meetings (with or without their congressperson present), hold local public events and rallies, make district office visits, and collaborate with other grassroots groups to fight the Trump agenda. The Indivisible Washington's 8th District has over 1400 members and focuses on holding Dave Reichert accountable. They can be found at www.indivisible-wa8.com. You can also read the Indivisible Guide at www.indivisibleguide.com.

Another active group is The WA 8th CD Alliance, a group of concerned Citizens working for better representation in Washington's 8th Congressional District. Our Charter is: "We value a government that is accountable to all of its people, and grounded in the freedoms guaranteed in the Constitution. We will work to elect representatives who support the health and well-being of all the community members especially the most vulnerable." The 8th CD Alliance has over 1300 members over a vast geographical area from Auburn, Maple Valley, Bonney Lake, Issaquah, Ellensburg, Wenatchee, and Chelan. Meetings have been held in North Bend and break-out teams have formed. Currently, the group is collaborating with the Washington Democrats to hold Summer of Canvass events throughout the 8th CD, with the goal of getting voters out in 2018 to defeat Dave Reichert. The Facebook group can be found under Washington 8th CD Alliance.

Some other groups that are involved in the Resistance movement include Fuse, Move On, Our Revolution, and Neighborhood Action Coalition. These groups have local affiliates that hold events in our area. I have found that collaboration with the Democratic Party is weaved into all of these groups. I'm sure there are other activist groups, but no matter which group(s) you choose, remember that we are all working together for a shared vision of what democracy looks like.

Mark Your Calendars

July 29th – Summer of Canvass

10am – 1pm at Poverty Bay Coffee

August 6th – Summer of Canvass

10:30am – 2:30pm at Jennifer Hurley's home

August 9th – 30th LD Dems Executive Board

7pm at Federal Way Library on 1st Ave

August 18th – 19th – Milton Days

We need volunteers for set up/tear down, greeting community members and registering voters. Sign Up Here:

<https://goo.gl/forms/IO4MvpnzdzBB9XXO2>

August 19th – District Democrats Summer Picnic

3pm at Five Mile Lake Park Shelter #1 Join us for our summer picnic and meet our local candidates and have some great company!

Dues

We are now accepting membership dues online through ActBlue!

<https://secure.actblue.com/contribute/page/30thdems wa>

Our Members

President's Club

Liz & Miles Drake
Roger & Karla Flygare
Linda & Elbert Gage
Nancy & Tad Papineau

Senator's Club

Peg & Jay Altman
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Aaron & Sonja Bert
Craig Bosworth
Larry & Hideko Coghill
Art & Dee Fluharty
Jeff & Kaori Holden
Ginny Leach
Geoffery & Devin McAnallo
David & Brenda Musick
Shari & John Song
Mark & Bonnie Thompson
Jem & Jerry Wear

Governor's Club

Gregory & Shawn Baruso
Larry & Judith Bengston
Walt & Carolyn Brooks
Keitha Bryson
Kristi & Don Cedar
David Daly
Sharry & Owen Edwards
Jim & Madelyn Grayson
Carol Gregory
Warren Guykema & Kathryn Daniel

John & Karolyn Hughey
Peggy Johnson
Susan Johnson
Marta & Sven Kalve
Bernie Knighton
Mike & Mary Kun
Keith & Susan Livingston
Robert Maurus
Anthony Murrietta
Dan & Alice Olmstead
Michael Pellicciotti
Terry & Delfa Quinn
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Mark Shideler
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Bev Webber
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Bob Dickinson
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Paul Mallary
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Tom & Crystal Moehlman

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Lynn Ormsby
Nancy Rice
John & Jackie Rickert
Steven Sandberg
Edward Sedlak
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Melissa Stanley
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Mark Talbert
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Proposed changes to the 30th District Democrats' By-laws, July 19, 2017

Article VII, Section 3

Add:

No member shall hold more than one (1) Executive Board position except as presented herein. During the selection of any or all of the Executive Board positions, a member may only be elected or appointed to serve in one position. If no one is nominated and qualified to be elected or appointed for a specific Executive Board position, the election or appointment will bypass that position until all open positions have been presented to the body for selection. If, after all positions have been presented, there are unfilled Executive Board positions, the positions will be re-presented for a second round of voting or appointment whereby an Executive Board member may be selected to fill additional positions in an "Acting" capacity. All "Acting" Executive Board members will serve for a term of up to seventy (70) days upon which time a new election or appointment shall be held at the next appropriate meeting. Acting Executive Board members may continue to serve in the "Acting" capacity until such time as the position is filled for the remainder of the term. Any Executive Board position filled in an "Acting" capacity will be bypassed in the order of succession as set forth herein.

Article VIII, Section 2

Add:

In addition, the vice-chair shall act as chair in official capacity when the chair is absent. When the chair is absent, the order of succession is listed in Article VII, Section 1.

Article VIII, Section 5 and 6

Add after "presenting resolutions":
and representing endorsements

Article VIII, Section 9

It is the expectation of The 30th Legislative District Democrats when electing representatives that such representatives will, when acting in an official capacity at state and county meetings, faithfully represent and follow the official actions taken by The 30th District Democrats. A representative who is unable to represent a particular position of The 30th Legislative District Democrats in good conscience should permit an alternate or proxy who can and will do so to act in their place, provided such substitution is permitted under the rules of the body in question. A representative who is unable to allow an alternate or proxy to act in their place due to the body's rules should abstain from consideration of the matter before that body.

Article IX

Remove the last sentence of Section 2 and make it stand alone as Section 3.

Section 3 will read as:

The Executive Board may vote to remove committee chairs by majority vote.

Section 4

The Executive Board may remove a member after three unexcused absences in one calendar year.

The new Section 5 strike out the following:

~~**and must abide by the "Open Meetings Act."**~~

Section 4 becomes Section 6