

JCDCC Meeting Minutes 10-9-18

The meeting was called to order by Chair Brian Clark at 7 p.m. with about 38 people present.

Treasurer Dorothy Yetter reported a bank balance of \$6,117, which includes a \$1500 contribution from Rep. Peter DeFazio's campaign for the election. A campaign budget of \$1,830 was announced for donations to Democratic candidates, slate cards, newspaper ads, postcards and postage.

Action: The minutes and campaign budget were approved.

Changes to the Bylaws were approved, updating language and clarifying policies.

Two new PCPs were accepted, Eli Hobson and Jessica Warden.

Reports:

Vice Chair Gary Eby invited everyone to A Community Discussion about Democracy Sunday, Oct. 14, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Wild River Brewing and Pizza in Cave Junction. The event will feature a town hall discussion, video interaction and a live theater production.

Lynda Spangler reported the slate card has been completed and an effort is being made to get it in local newspapers. The slate card is being handed out during canvassing, events and can be mailed in a #10 business envelope. People doing mailings can drop addressed envelopes or postcards off at the office and a volunteer will get postage and mail them.

Betty Mattis of the Election Committee passed out nomination forms to establish who will be running for JCDCC offices in December. The forms were collected but Betty said nominations can be handed in any time before the December election, and people interested in holding an office can nominate themselves.

A motion was made and seconded to delay the rest of the agenda to later in the meeting since the speaker had arrived. Josephine County Sheriff Dave Daniels, incumbent running for a second term, introduced himself and his wife, and took questions from those present (see Hot Off The Press). He was enthusiastically received, thanked for his calm honesty during the fires, and explained that he still had much to do to in bringing his department back from the brink and restoring trust in people who had been deprived of services for so long.

Darin Fowler, Grants Pass Mayor who is running for County Commissioner was scheduled to speak but didn't show up.

After Daniel's presentation, Dorothy updated the group on Neighborhood Leader activities and said there will be a Kickoff Oct. 19th just after ballots come out.

It was announced that the November meeting will be held on Election Day, a week earlier than the regular meeting. It will be an "election watch" meeting. Pizza or potluck and beer/wine was suggested. Notices will be sent out when organization of the event is complete.

Daniel Elash announced that Eli Hobson, an RCC student, is starting a Young Democrats Club at the college. Hobson said he had been active in Democratic politics in Portland and was anxious to help out in Grants Pass. Daniel also said Jackson County Democrats will have a table at the Ashland LGBTQ event in Ashland and has invited Josephine County Democrats to join them.