

## Executive meeting

June 2, 2019

The meeting convened at 1:30 p.m. at the Josephine County Democrats headquarters in Grants Pass. Present: Chair Brian Clark, Vice Chair Dorothy Yetter, Treasurer Anita Savio, Secretary Lynda Demsher, Events/Office coordinator Sheri Morin, delegates Janet Bianco, Michelle Anderson, and Jean Mount.

Plan for the June 11 meeting: No speaker was engaged. This will be a planning meeting. If there are more than 40 people present we will caucus in groups after going through strategic planning priorities. If fewer, we will go through the strategic plan and other subjects as a group. Attendance was stressed, as we need to have a quorum of PCPs present to vote on bylaw amendments. One amendment, made possible by new SCC bylaws, allows the Chair to make a temporary voting delegate replacement to assure we have representation at state and district meetings.

New activity: A monthly Democrat Hangout is being initiated at Double Taps Tap Room and Craft Spirits in the Grants Pass Shopping Center, NW D and E streets. The next Hangout is scheduled for Wednesday, June 19, 6 p.m. This is a gathering aimed at young Democrats who would like to get together over a beer to talk politics in a friendly atmosphere. Sheri Morin is making flyers to post on bulletin boards and to hand out. She will have some printed, but send out the flyer so people can print their own if they have places to distribute them. Michelle said the Quarterly Dance Haul at the Haul is the night before, so she will pass them out at that event. Dorothy proposed putting up a \$25 Facebook ad and targeting it to younger Democrats in the county. Brian pointed out we have budgeted money for Facebook ads aimed at getting young Democrats more active in the party.

Anita gave an extensive report on her fundraising efforts. The fund-raising committee has met three times and has finalized a letter to go out initially to a list of 23 people, PCPs or people who have donated in the past. In addition, her phone bank will call an additional 43 people who have donated in the past 3 ½ years on Wednesday, June 19. She is offering donors who contribute \$300 or more two tickets to our next dinner fundraiser. Anita is also hoping to get a good return on a Member Survey she plans to distribute to those on the fund-raising lists. The survey asks Democrats what might motivate them to become more active, what they see as priorities for the party, and to put their name on our contact list. Anita also recommended changes to the electronic reimbursement form to eliminate the signature requirement as it isn't necessary in her reporting to the state.

Brian said he is applying for another grant from Check for Democracy, and wanted ideas for ways to use the grant. Dorothy said the office needs a new computer, especially in time for the 2020 election season.

Janet announced she is unable to continue as the luncheon coordinator so an announcement will be put out for another volunteer.

Boatnik review: Sheri was commended for her work decorating the entry in this year's parade but everyone agreed too few people showed up to participate. It was recommended we put out the date earlier and organize a car pool to transport people who have a hard time getting through the traffic on parade day. Other suggestions were to have a float next year, have two vehicles, and serve breakfast at the staging site. Sheri said we could only do more than one vehicle or a float if we have more people show up to help decorate.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m. Submitted by Secretary Lynda Demsher