

**Benton County Democrats General Meeting**  
**Richland Public Library**  
**955 Northgate Dr**  
**Richland WA 99354**  
**June 20, 2018**

- 1) Call to order 7:00PM
- 2) Flag salute (no flag)
- 3) Motion: Adopt amended agenda/2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved
- 4) Motion: Approve minutes (March and April)/2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved
- 5) Presentation: Fire Chief Lonnie Click and Lieutenant Tracy Baker rescheduled until July meeting.
- 6) Elections committee report and candidate introductions
  - Leo Perales - Senator, 8th LD: Move to endorse/2<sup>nd</sup> - Passed
  - Shir Regev - 8th LD Representative, Position 1: Move to endorse/2<sup>nd</sup> - Passed
  - Christopher Tracy - 8th LD Representative, Position 2: Move to endorse/2<sup>nd</sup> - Passed
  - Rebecca Francik - 16th LD Representative Position 2: Move to endorse/2<sup>nd</sup> – Passed (donate at Blue Wave account)
  - Zahra Roach - Franklin County Commissioner: Move to endorse/2<sup>nd</sup> – Passed (Anedot at [www.zahraroach.com](http://www.zahraroach.com) – donate button)
- 7) Treasurer's Report (Micki McKinley)
  - Checking \$22,281.83, Savings \$7671.37, Norm Miller dinner netted \$7,000.
  - Cannot send federal candidates >\$1000 without first registering with FEC and coordinating with State
  - Move send Christine Brown \$1000/2<sup>nd</sup> – Passed
  - Move to donate \$200 to all candidates endorsed within Benton County, and \$200 to Roach if allowable/2<sup>nd</sup> – discussion: \$200 fits well within the limit – safe. Passed
  - Move to budget \$170/month through December to rent meeting space/2<sup>nd</sup> – Passed
- 8) Chair's report (Allison Dabler)
  - Lots of energy for Christine at the convention, 20 min speech on the convention floor. Allison got to be co-chair of Platform Committee. Section on Immigration developed with help of immigration lawyer. Suspended rules to add plank to oppose separating families.
  - Disappointed by level of PCO filings, single most important action. Must identify and appoint PCOs.
  - New field organizer: Guy Thompson, local field organizer in Pasco: Savannah Steele.

9) State Committeeman (Doug McKinley) Absent

10) State Committeewoman (Kate Moran) One thing to drive home about the state committee meeting. Learn Roberts Rules. Point of information must be question, Point of privilege must request accommodation. Attended the veterans' caucus. Need to make sure that caucuses maintain significance along with committees. Socialist Pizza Party/Progressive Caucus endorsed Shir Regev. Keep the DCCC/DSCC out of our primaries was Kate's favorite resolution. Superdelegates resolution ruled out of order, then sent back to makers to fix. Will take up at September meeting. YDs got a seat on the central committee. Tribes requested welcoming time at opening – got (eventually) approved. Chair apologized and promised to include in the future.

11) Organizing Committee

- Peter Gerhard-Roberts – Upcoming Events: Fair & 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. Move to amend the budget to \$1700 for fair, and \$250 for 4<sup>th</sup> of July/2<sup>nd</sup> - Passed
- John Harder - PCO appointment to make. Move to appoint Lora Rathbone as Acting PCO in 6210/2<sup>nd</sup> - Passed

12) Platform Committee

- Chuck Lopresti - Platform Committee Report: We have a platform; all resolutions were passed/defeated/or returned to sender.

13) Old Business - none

14) New Business - none

15) Good of the order

- Toby: Field director/Christine's campaign. Canvassing this Saturday, 6/23, 11AM-2PM. Meet at Richland (Library), Pasco (2411 W Court), Kennewick campaign headquarters (8350 W Grandridge)
- Initiative 1644, strikes down Tim Eyman's I-200, brings back affirmative action.

16) Adjourned at 8:37PM