

26th District General Meeting Minutes (11/5/20)

Call to Order

~Meeting called to order at 6:36 PM by Chair Luellen Lucid.

~Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance:

~No first-time meeting attendees.

Updates--Elected Officials/Campaigns/Election Recaps

Auditor Paul Andrews: Voting went smoothly, did not set a record for voter turnout. Post office worked effectively with Auditor's office.

US House Representative Derek Kilmer:

Thanked 26th LD for helping with his campaign, expressed disappointment with Federal Senate/local 26th races, the fight for 2022 starts now.

State Senator Emily Randall:

Thanked everyone for helping election candidates, spoke about progress in some parts of the state--seats that were not won this time are inching forward to being more progressive in the coming years. She will work on Medicaid expansion, and would like to continue to have Carrie Hesch and Joy Stanford's input on issues. On to 2022!

Candidate Joy Stanford:

Thanked everyone for their help on her campaign, thanked her campaign staff. She is not thinking of running again at this time, but will stay politically active.

Erin Phillips (For Candidate Carrie Hesch):

Thanked the 26th for all of their help during the campaign, bipartisanship needle was moved (picked up 2% of Republican voters), any push forward is progress. Carrie will start working on Infrastructure & Climate issues with Governor Inslee and WA Com. Of Public Lands Hilary Franz. Keep fighting, long game--2022!

County Commissioner Charlotte Garrido:

Thanked the 26th for their help, beat her challenger even though he outspent her by 50%, and she could not doorbell. Acknowledged Dems adhering to values of caring for others during COVID, and not possibly exposing others to the virus. Will continue to work with other officials to bring programs to our local community. Gave kudos to the Auditor's office for professionalism in the voting process.

Featured Speaker: Senator Bob Hasegawa (Topic: Publicly-Owned State Bank)

~Bob thanked everyone for their participation in the elections, and the Democrats for showing their values, also commended Joy Stanford and Carrie Hesch for their work and commitment, and Sen. Randall for being nationally acknowledged as one of the top "40 under 40."

Public Banks: Currently, the state runs their money through US Bank, the idea is to create a bank by "We The People" and make our own decisions on how to use our money—not Wall Street. Bob hopes that the state can use the money to make funds without raising taxes, by leveraging dollars to help lending capacity, which can help create jobs, along with better return of investment profits (he named ND and CA as examples of states who use State bank models).

He gave pros and cons of the State Bank model, Q and A followed his presentation, for more information, go to:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vFnvaqZ-X->

[U&utm_source=From+Mike+Krauss&utm_campaign=3eddc28a82](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vFnvaqZ-X-U&utm_source=From+Mike+Krauss&utm_campaign=3eddc28a82)

Public Banking Institute: <http://www.publicbankinginstitute.org/>

Public Banking Town hall 9/30/20: <https://youtu.be/HkUL3ra2yzQ>

Reorganization (Chair Lucid)

~Luellen canvassed the current Executive Board Members to see who is interested in staying on the board, the list has gone out to members. She will mentor the new Chairperson, and Carl Olson will act as interim Treasurer and help mentor the new one.

Treasurer Report (Chair Lucid for Treasurer Constance Maytum)

~The 26th was able to give to local Democrats' campaigns and has money in reserve for rent, in case Givens Community Center meetings resume.

Approval of October 26th General Meeting Minutes

~Carl Olson moved to accept October minutes, Tony Otto seconded, approved by acclamation.

PCO Survey Timeline and Party Contribution (Chair Lucid)

~Chair Lucid asked that PCOs please complete the PCO survey.

Next Meeting: Thursday, Dec. 3rd, 6:30 PM

~Topic: LD Reorganization

Good Of The Order

~Jill Neumeister: Gave the Tribal Land Acknowledgement on behalf of the 26th District.

~Tony Otto: Georgia tally in, Biden leading Trump.

~Adison Richards: 2020 not over, keep vigilant and follow all races, thanked the black community & others the Republicans tried to disenfranchise.

~Carl Olson: Spoke about Georgia post card program to help the Georgia legislative runoff.

~Erin Phillips: Reported that her young daughter wanted Trump to lose, so a woman of color could become VP.

Adjournment

~Chair Lucid adjourned the meeting at 7:48 PM.

Report respectfully submitted by: Melissa Lund, Interim Secretary