# Minutes of meeting January 7, 2025

At Clarkston United Methodist Church

The January 2025 meeting of the Asotin County Democrats was called to order by Roger Jones at 7:05 PM. Roger Jones welcomed the fifteen volunteers (one virtually via Zoom) in attendance and reviewed the meeting agenda as well as provided a reflection on 2024, encouraging everyone's participation in 2025.

## Reorganization Discussion

Roger Jones reviewed the Proposed Rules for In-Person Reorganization provided to attendees as a handout.

MOTION: Approve the Proposed Rules as presented by Becky Eklund

Second: Gary Namie / Motion carried unanimously

#### Call for Nomination and Election of Officers

Jones presented and reviewed Local Party Organization Leadership Role Descriptions handout with attendees.

## **Local Party Organizational Chair**

Becky Eklund nominated to serve as LPO Chair No other nominations put forward Vote to elect with unanimous consent

#### **Local Party Organizational Vice Chair**

Clyde Nicely nominated to serve as LPO Vice Chair No other nominations put forward Vote to elect with unanimous consent

#### **State Committee Member #1**

Helen LeBeouf nominated to serve as State Committee Member #1 No other nominations put forward Vote to elect with unanimous consent

# **State Committee Member #2**

Gary Namie nominated to serve as State Committee Member #1 No other nominations put forward Vote to elect with unanimous consent

Becky Eklund assumed Chair position immediately to preside over the January 7, 2025 ACD business meeting.

The Chair appointed Roger Jones to serve as Treasurer for 2025

The Chair appointed Linn Wheeling to serve as Secretary for 2025

# Approval of the December 3, 2024 meeting minutes.

Motion to approve, second. No discussion. Unanimously approved.

## Financial Report - Roger Jones, Treasurer

- As of 12/31/2024
  - Cash on Hand = \$1615.89

# **Membership Report - Linn Wheeling**

- Working on developing a 2025 membership drive messaging and outreach plan that will ensure all ACD activities incorporate ACD membership and volunteer opportunities
- Designed and published the first monthly ACD Newsletter sent to the membership in January.
  - Discussed the importance of communicating opportunities for engagement to grow membership.
- February ACD newsletter to highlight upcoming activities, local government meetings (School Board, County Commissioners, etc.)

# **Programs / Activities Discussion**

Activities and engagement that increase visibility of ACDs is a priority. There are 4000 Democrats in Asotin County, by increasing visibility we can create a welcoming space for them to become part of a community.

Reviewed ACD's Guiding Principles. These core values have not changed and frame how ACDs can show up at events to raise visibility.

Visibility Opportunities to put on the 2025 Calendar to organize participation and presence at:

Peoples March in Moscow January 18, 2025

Asotin County Parade April

Art Under the Elms

4th of July Parade 2025

Pick up Garbage Event (ACD has a section of Highway 12 north of the Clarkston Golf and Country Club)

Attending city, county and state government meetings.

Discussed the opportunity for a member of the ACD to self nominate to serve on the Clarkston School District Board. Letters of intent due by 1/10/2025

## **Precinct Officer Appointments**

Becky Eklund reviewed the current status of Asotin County Precincts and their respective officers. Gary Namie, Helen LeBeouf, and Becky Eklund are elected Precinct Committee Officers. Ms. Eklund making the following PCO appointments:

Linn Wheeling Precinct 401

Carrie Kenyon Precinct 503

Roger Jones Precinct 5

Tina Taylor Precinct 402

VoteBuilder Training Becky Eklund inquired as to the interest in having a VoteBuilder training session. Open to all ACD volunteers. The objective is to train as many volunteers on the system as possible to have several volunteers who can serve as trainers for future sessions.

**ACTION ITEM:** Becky Eklund to coordinate a separate training session with interested volunteers.

The next meeting will be February 4, 2025 at 7:00 PM

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM

Minutes submitted by Linn J. Wheeling, MBA, CAE, ACD Secretary