**MINUTES**

**32ND LD REORGANIZATION MEETING**
**Wednesday, December 7, 2022, 6:30 pm**

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*~ Thanks* ***Rosamaria Graziani*** *for your wonderful, live English-Spanish translation ~*

**6:30 PM WELCOME – Julie Anne Kempf, Temporary Chair** (:25)

Good evening and welcome to the 2022 reorganization meeting of the 32nd LD Democrats. I am Chair of the 46th LD Democrats, your neighboring district. I will be serving as the Temporary Chair until the 32nd Chair is elected. The PCOs tonight will be voting on the statutory officers and the full membership will be voting on the rest of the officers.

**Flag Salute/Land Acknowledgement**

**ELECTION OF STATUTORY OFFICERS (PCO-ONLY VOTE)**

**Julie Anne Kempf** (7:18)

We will follow the [**32nd LD Standing Rules**](https://32democrats.org/bylaws-rules/) for nomination and election of officers. Our parliamentarian and tally counter for tonight is Bill Phillips from the 39th LD and former 1st Vice-Chair of the Snohomish County Democrats.

1. **Chair** (8:29)

Alan Charnley, PCO: I nominate **Chris Roberts**. Seconded

**Elected by acclamation.**

**Chris Roberts now chairing this meeting**

2. **First Vice Chair** (11:28)

Carin Chase, PCO Snohomish County, Holly Precinct: I nominate **Cathy Baylor**. Seconded.

**Elected by acclamation.**

3. **Second Vice Chair** (13:46)

Alan Charnley: I nominate **Lillian Hawkins**. Seconded.

**Elected by acclamation**.

4. **King County Central Committee** **Member** (15:31)

Carin Chase: I nominate **Carolyn Ahlgreen**. Seconded.

**Elected by acclamation.**

5. **Snohomish County Central Committee Member** (18:55)

Ted Hikel, PCO: I nominate **Rosamaria Graziani,** and ask that the PCO requirement be waived. Seconded.

**Requirement to be a PCO is waved by acclamation.**

**Elected by acclamation.**

6. **Snohomish County Central Committee Member** (22:32)

**Ted Hikel:** I nominate myself. Seconded.

**Elected by acclamation**.

7. **King County Committee Member Alternate** (24:45)

Carin Chase: I nominate **Brent McFarlane**. Seconded.

**Elected by acclamation** (40:39).

8. **Snohomish County Committee Member, Alternate** (25:51)

Rosamaria Graziani: I nominate **Mike Eckart.** Seconded.

Ted Hikel: I ask that the PCO requirement be waived. Seconded.

**Requirement to be a PCO is waved by acclamation.**

**Elected by acclamation.**

9. **Snohomish County Committee Member Alternate** (27:43)

**Deborah Viertel:** I nominated myself. Seconded.

**Elected by acclamation.**

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS (FULL MEMBERSHIP VOTE)**

1. **State Committee Member** (30:21)

Cathy Baylor, PCO: I would like to nominate **Alan Charnley**. Seconded.

**Elected by acclamation.**

2. **State Committee Member** (30:43)

Marylou Eckart, PCO. I nominate **Carin Chase**. Seconded.

**Elected by acclamation.**

3. **Secretary** (33:46)

Stephanie Harris, PCO: I nominate **Sally Soriano**. Seconded.

**Elected by acclamation.**

4**. Treasurer** (36:12)

Sally Soriano: I nominate **Eric Valpey**. Seconded.

**Elected by acclamation.**

**RATIFICATION OF OFFICERS** (42:34)

1. **Deborah Viertel** – **Communications**

2. **Carin Chase** – **Membership**

3. **Trudy Bialic** – **Senior Issues Advocate**

4. **Lael White** – **Environmental Caucus**

5. **Rosamaria Graziani** – **Program Coordinator**

**Ratified by acclamation.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** (1:01:52)

[**November Minutes**](https://32democrats.org/download/draft-minutes-32nd-ld-meeting-november-2-2022/) **approved without objection.**

**PCO APPLICATIONS FOR APPROVAL** (1:02:50)

1. **Vivian Korneliussen** – **SHL 0462** – to serve as the appointed PCO

2. **Evan Pobee** – **SHL 0241** – to serve as the appointed PCO

3. **Carl Larson** – **MLT15** – to serve as the appointed PCO

4. **Annette Ademasu** – **SHL 0735** – to serve as the acting PCO

**Without objection, all applications are approved.**

**GOOD OF THE ORDER** (1:11:04)

**-Carol McMahon:** I wanted to acknowledge the passing of Kathy Christenson on December 5th. She has been a mentor to a number of people in the Democratic Party.

**-Monica Chilton:** I wanted to invite all of you to our Snohomish County Holiday Party that is coming up on Saturday, at Angel Arms in Snohomish, starting at 5:30pm. Please bring and wear masks to keep everyone safe. We will be gathering donations for [**Women & Children’s Shelter**](https://egmission.org/women-and-childrens-shelter/)**,** Gospel Mission in Everett.

**-Michael Brunson:** I wanted to make sure I will be able to attend the King County Reorganization meeting by telephone.

**-Chris Roberts:** Yes, we will make sure that will be possible.

**-Ted Hikel:** I just wanted to say what a pleasure it has been to work with Monica Chilton this past year and I am hopeful that all of the PCOs from the 32nd LD will support Monica in the election for Snohomish County Chair.

**-Winona Hollins Hauge:** In working with our 2nd Vice-Chair, Lillian Hawkins, I am happy to report that the WA Equity Now Alliance was invited to the governor’s office in August to celebrate 50 years of affirmative action. And, in November, Governor Inslee had his first meeting on the affirmative action bill he signed last January on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr’s birthday. Also, I am on the Governor’s Pandemic Task Force and we are planning now for the possibility of future pandemics. I want to ask everyone to support Black Coffee in Shoreline as it has had its share of incidences where people have attempted to discourage the owners. And lastly, to let you know that Grandmothers Against Gun Violence will be working hard with Congress in 2023 to ban assault rifles.

**-Jenna Nand:** The federal government has block granted millions of dollars to counties and cities through programs like the CARES Act and the American Rescue Plan Act to provide support for people affected by the pandemic. We are hearing that people are not aware of these programs so if you know of anyone who needs utility support or might be losing their house because of financial stress due to the pandemic, please connect them with either the Snohomish County or King County programs which distribute these funds. Contacts: United Way, Urban League, for City of Edmonds support: jenna.nand.edmondswa.gov

-**Elizabeth Lunsford:** An update on the City of Lynnwood. I brought a resolution here to help look at the situation. The Republicans on the Lynnwood City Council have never wanted any resources to go to diversity and equity. And, now they are using the budget for this goal. I hope the 32nd will support me on this issue of racism that is going on with the Lynnwood City Council.

**Chris Roberts:** When is Lynnwood scheduled to adopt their budget?

**Elizabeth:** It was supposed to have been last week but it has been delayed until this Monday.

**Chris:** Is there a specific message that you would like people to comment to the council?

**Elizabeth:** We believe in fair and equitable wages for both unionized and non-unionized staff.

**Stephanie Harris**: I would like to continue as your Endorsement Chair. And, I would also like to say hooray for Raphael Warnock of Georgia!

**Ted Hikel:** The Lynnwood City Council meeting is next Monday at 6pm. It is also available online. The problem is that the mayor decided that all of the department directors will be paid the same amount. I’ve never heard of a city doing this. A second problem is another proposal from the mayor. It is to make the assistant city administrator a city administrator, and to raise this salary to equal the salaries of all of the other department directors.

**Carin Chase:** The 32nd has always supported our local emergency cold weather shelters **–** [**South Snohomish County Cold Weather Shelter – We All Belong**](https://www.weallbelong.org/). Mike Erhant was a longtime 32nd LD PCO and he championed supporting “We All Belong”. I urge you to consider supporting these efforts.

 **MEETING ADJOURNED — 7:41pm**

**NEXT MONTHLY ZOOM MEETING**
Wednesday, January 4, 2023, 6:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,
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