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**32nd Legislative District Membership Meeting**

**Wednesday, January 13, 6:30 PM**

Via Zoom & Call-in

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**6:00 Sign In**

**6:30 Meeting Called to Order by Acting Chair, Jenna Nand, 1st Vice-Chair**

**• Pledge of Allegiance**

**• Land Acknowledgment, by Cathy Baylor, Chair**

**Federation of Democratic Women, Salish Sea Chapte**

**• Welcome and recognition of elected officials in attendance, Jenna Nand, Chair**

Chris Roberts, Shoreline City Council; Carin Chase, Edmonds School Board; [Alicia Crank](https://alicia4edmonds.com/about/%3B%20https%3A//alicia4edmonds.com/about/%3B%20https%3A//alicia4edmonds.com/about/), Candidate for Edmonds City Council, Position 1; and Will Chen, Candidate for Edmonds City Council.

**• Minutes Adopted, Jenna Nand, Chair**

[32nd LD Meeting Minutes – October 14, 2020](https://32democrats.org/download/draft-minutes-32nd-legislative-district-reorganization-meeting-wednesday-october-14-2020-700-pm/)
[32nd LD Reorganization Minutes – December 9, 2020](https://32democrats.org/download/draft-minutes-32nd-legislative-district-reorganization-meeting-wednesday/)

**• Chair Committee Appointments, Jenna Nand, Chair**

**Appointed Officers Ratified:** Communications – Co-chairs Sally Soriano and Deborah Viertel; Legislative Action – Gray Petersen;Diversity and Inclusion – Winona Hauge\*; Labor Liaison – Brent McFarlane; Resolutions – Dean Fournier; Senior Issues Advocate – Trudy Bialic; (\*) Alicia Crank will serve as co-chair after ratification at February 3rd LD meeting.

vote: **ratified**

**• Resolution Adopted**

**Tom White, Lael White, 32nd LD Democrats, Environment & Climate Caucus**

[**Fund and Prioritize Amtrak Cascades Long Range Plan**](https://32democrats.org/download/resolution-fund-and-prioritize-amtrak-cascades-long-range-plan/)

This is one of the best and most effective solutions for lowering greenhouse gas emissions available to us right now. Resolution states: funding be immediately allocated to resume completion of the Amtrak Cascades Long Range Plan in accordance with RCW 47.79, as an urgent transportation priority and in accordance with climate goals and environmental justice goals.

vote: unanimous, yes; **adopted.**

**• Ratification of Acting PCO, Jenna Nand, Chair**

Annette Ademasu, application for an Acting PCO appointment for SHL-32-0735

To be ratified at the LD Meeting on Wed, February 3rd.

**• Status of the**[**Adam Fortney Recall Campaign**](https://www.recallfortney.com/), **Colin McMahon, Robin McGee**

- Basis of recall: Fortney "endangered the peace and safety of the community and violated his statutory duties...by inciting the public to violate Governor Inslee's 'Stay Home—State Healthy' proclamation...and....exercised discretion in a manifestly unreasonable manner by rehiring three deputy sheriffs previously discharged following investigation and findings of misconduct."

- Help phone bank/text and gather 49,000 signatures by March 10, 2021. We have less than 8 weeks less but have a solid plan in place. Please [**donate**](https://recallfortney.nationbuilder.com/donate)**.**

- If signature gathering is successful, a recall election will be held within 45 days after signatures are counted my April 10th.

- [**Sign and download petition**](https://www.recallfortney.com/how-to-sign).

**•** [**2021 Legislative Priorities - Washington State Democratic Party Advocacy Committee**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1CFSPvTGk8btm-EwUPtzlu4aCJJDf-r-h/edit),

**Gray Petersen, Legislative Action Chair and Carin Chase, State Committee Person**

This year, constituent testimony will all be by remote. We will have a bill tracker page available to us.

Legislative Priorities:

- We endorse and list concepts/policy directions, not specific bills, since specific bills sometimes change numbers.

- We focus on the ideas we support not on legislators or organizations.

- We keep the agenda limited to two pages and items are limited to one line for brevity.

**• Treasurer’s Report, Eric Valpey, Treasurer**

- We have steadily grown our bank account over the past year, and will soon have a 2021 budget proposal. Committee chairs, please estimate your expenses for this year. Most of our current expenses are due to our emailing products and our recent purchase of Facebook Zoom ($600).

**• New Member of Executive Board, 2nd Vice-Chair - Lillian Hawkins**

I served as 32LD Treasurer some years ago, then I took a break. I am now working in the court system and am on the State Supreme Court Gender and Justice Commission. I am again a PCO and I'm glad to be back.

**• New Business**

- **Motion by Maralyn Chase:** For the Recall Fortney Campaign -- $500 from 32nd LD for matching fundraising drive.

vote: 20 yes; 11 against; **motion passes.**

**- Motion by Janet Way:** Authorize the 32LD, through our account, website and Facebook page, to solicit donations for the Recall Fortney Campaign effort, and authorize the collecting and forwarding of those funds in compliance with the PDC and our bylaws requirements.

vote: 25 yes; 0 against; **motion passes**

**- 32nd LD PCO Facebook Group; 32nd Google Chat Group (replacing Yahoo email), Carin Chase**

We will be setting up a PCO FB group so PCOs can chat among themselves. And, look for an invitation to the G-mail chat.

**- Diversity Committee Report - Winona Hague**

We're pleased that the Shoreline School District is honoring the late Medgar Evers as an heroic figure. Monitoring these issues: Black coffee shop on 160th was vandalized and owners intimidated; also, instances of Shoreline Police targeting Black residents for 'driving while Black' in Shoreline.

--Dr. Martin Luther King's Birthday events:

On Monday, January 18th, the [Seattle MLK Coalition](https://www.seattlemlkcoalition.org/) march will begin at 11am to the [Odessa Brown Clinic](https://southseattleemerald.com/2021/01/12/opinion-a-time-of-reckoning-for-seattle-childrens-hospital/) where, recently, a Black doctor had to quit because of racism.

--On Friday, January 15th, the NAACP will be honoring the late [Charles V. Johnson](https://www.seattlekingcountynaacp.org/) who left a huge footprint for justice here in Seattle.

**• Good of the Order**

**- Motion by Janet Way:** Send an appreciation to Mike Arendt, 32nd LD PCO and former Sergeant-at-Arms, by presenting him with the Rose Laffoon and Janene Cook Service Award.

vote: unanimous yes; **motion passes**

**- Meaningful Movies Kirkland,** Friday, January 15th, will be showing [*Camp Second Chance*](https://meaningfulmovies.org/events/stories-of-us-camp-second-chance-film-showing-and-discussion/). The director challenges public ignorance and humanizes a population that locals would rather neglect, sharing with you some of their personal stories and her actual experience of what it’s like to be homeless.

**- If you have any programming ideas**, or anything you would like addressed at our meetings, reach out to Jenna Nand or any other members of the [E-Board](https://32democrats.org/2015/01/officers-contacts/).

**8:47** **Adjourned**

**Next 32nd LD Meeting will be on Wednesday, February 3rd**

**(our new meeting date is now the 1st Wednesday of each month)**

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Soriano, 32nd LD Secretary

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