**MINUTES**
**32ND LD MEMBERSHIP MEETING**
**Wednesday, October 6, 2021, 6:30 pm**

For those of you unable to attend our last meeting, here is a link to the video recording.
See 'video at' log time for each agenda item.
https://www.facebook.com/32democrats.org/videos/407210954408689

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

**Welcome -**video at :13 seconds
**-Co-chairs for tonight's meeting:**
**Chris Roberts,** chris.roberts@32democrats.org and
**Lillian Hawkins,** Lillian.Hawkins@32democrats.org
Congratulations to two of our endorsed candidates for Edmonds City Council who were endorsed by the Everett Herald: Alicia Crank and Adrienne Fraley-Monillas.

**Speaker**- video at 7min
**-**[**Marcy Bloom**](https://rewirenewsgroup.com/author/marcy-bloom/?fbclid=IwAR109m6MazcjoM1ULAHdV3UBd58CTnYQ6a4JeuqlTv1A0JrDvN3CNIGi-MI)**, Past Executive Director, Aradia Women's Health Center, Seattle**
**Marcy:**I've worked in reproductive rights for a long time, both before and after Roe v. Wade. I grew up in New York, where, as in Washington, abortion became legal in 1970. I want to say that this debate is not really about abortion. It is about what kind of democracy we want to have. Who do we want to include? What are our values?

**Candidates Endorsed**- video at 56min
**-**[**Vivian Song Maritz**](https://vivian.school/)**, Seattle School Board, Dist. 4 (Magnolia, Queen Anne, downtown)**
Moved and seconded to endorse Vivian Song Maritz.
**Vivian:** Public education transformed my life and that's why I'm seeking to serve as school board director. I want to open pathways of opportunity for every Seattle Public School student. My family takes great pride that I am the first woman to graduate from college. I am a finance professional and I have a Masters in Business Administration from Harvard Business School. I seek to use these skills to make the Seattle Schools' $1 billion budget work better and equitably, and I will be an accountable steward of the public's money.
Vote: Vivian Song Maritz receives 87%.
**Vivian Song Maritz is endorsed by the 32nd LD.**

**-**[**Michelle Sarju**](https://sarjuforseattleschools.com/)**, Seattle School Board, Dist. 5 (Central District)**
Moved and seconded to endorse Michelle Sarju.
**Michelle**: I was a midwife but I also have a Masters in Social Work from the UW with an emphasis in mental health. As we've just heard, Vivian has a background in finance and I've urged her in several meetings to find the money to fund fulltime social workers, nurses, and family support workers in every school. These are our children, our future. So, I ask you to join me in this effort to support all of these children who are future leaders in our communities.
Vote: Michelle Sarju receives 100%.
**Michelle Sarju is unanimously endorsed by the 32nd LD.**

**Candidate Nominated, Not Endorsed**
-[**Laura Marie Rivera,**](https://lauramarie4seattleschools.com/)**Seattle School Board, Dist. 4 (Magnolia, Queen Anne, downtown)**
Moved and seconded to endorse Laura Marie Rivera.
Candidate did not submit a questionnaire to the 32nd LD Endorsement Committee as required by our Standing Rules.
[**32nd LD Standing Rules**](https://32democrats.org/download/32nd-ld-standing-rules-2021/)
Section 3. Endorsement Committee Interviews and Questionnaires
Except as provided in Section 7 of Standing Rule 2, every candidate who seeks the endorsement of the 32nd Legislative District Democratic Organization, during the year in which endorsement is sought, must complete a questionnaire provided by the Endorsement Committee prior to the interview.

**Resolution Passed**- video at 1hr:48min
[**Resolution**](https://32democrats.org/download/resolution-in-support-of-freeing-the-vaccine-for-countries-in-the-global-south/)**in Support of Freeing the Vaccine for Countries in the Global South**Moved and seconded to endorse this resolution.
**Submitted by: Brent McFarlane**, 32nd PCO SEA 32-2204; **Former State Senator Maralyn Chase**; and **Thom Garrard**, 7th CD Rep to the WA State Democrats Labor Caucus, 32nd LD Associate Member
**Brent:** If we are going to beat this pandemic we need to get the vaccine to the Global South and enable these countries to produce the vaccine as quickly as possible to get everyone vaccinated.
**Maralyn:** The bottom line is that vaccines prevent people from being hospitalized and dying. They prevent the spread of new variants. If we want to see an end of this pandemic, we have to prioritize public health through vaccinations instead of private profit.
Vote: Resolution receives 100%.
**Resolution is unanimously endorsed by the 32nd LD.**

**PCO Appointed Unanimously & PCO Timeline**- video at 2hr:03min
-**Rosamaria Graziani** appointed as 'Acting PCO' for LYNN29
-PCO precinct voter contact information will be emailed out by this Sat. (10/9). Ballots arrive in the mail next Sat. (10/16). As we did in the Primary, PCOs can choose how they want to contact voters in their precinct: calling, mailing the postcard endorsement list, dropping the postcard on porches, or doorbelling. An important statistic: 10% of voters vote as soon as they receive their ballot! PCO contact: pco@32democrats.org

**Good of the Order & Chat**- video at 2hr:12min
-Go to WA State Redistricting, at redistricting.wa.gov, where it is very easy to comment on maps. You can say "you're wrong regarding this area" or "you're right regarding this area". The next commission meeting is October 9th. (Chris Roberts)
https://www.redistricting.wa.gov/commissioner-proposed-maps

-If you take a look, you will find that the two Republican maps make an attempt to gerrymander state districts, so that the Republicans can take back our State House and Senate. (Ted Hikel)

-The only list that made sense to me on the 32nd and 46th LD boundary map was Brady Walkinshaw’s. It’s fair. April Sims' plan severely divides our north end of Seattle's 32LD. Walkinshaw’s plan divides the 32LD along the border of Seattle and Shoreline.   (Barbara Phinney)

-Sunday, 10/17, there will be a virtual GOTV, hosted by the WA State Democrats, with many King County candidates participating. (Chris Roberts)

-On National Voter Registration Day, September 28th, I organized 18 teams in various states, and they registered over 13,800 voters! (Alan Charnley)

-The union behind entertainment, IATSE, voted overwhelmingly to give nationwide authorization to strike against the most powerful media corporations such as Amazon and Netflix. They demanded these corporations treat film and TV workers, who produce their basic content, with human dignity. After this vote, producers asked IATSE back to the negotiating table. When workers stand together they win! (Barbara Phinney)

-If you want to join us in the fight to improve reproductive rights, please become active in our [**Salish Sea Chapter of the WA State Federation of Democratic Women**](https://www.facebook.com/WashingtonStateWomenhttps%3A//www.facebook.com/WashingtonStateWomen). Every Tues. morning we stand in support of Planned Parenthood at 196th & Aurora.

(Cathy Baylor, Chair, Salish Sea Chapter)

-The rightwing is continuing to attack past tweets, regarding the police, by Seattle City Attorney Candidate Nicole Thomas-Kennedy. We can identify which tweets are real and which ones are not. Republican tactics, from our opponent, are trying to infiltrate Seattle politics with Super PACS. The real issue here is that the Seattle City Council passed the "Jump Start Tax", to tax wealthy corporations, and the current City Attorney, Pete Holmes, is defending that legislation. If Nicole Thomas-Kennedy's opponent, Ann Davison, is elected, she will not defend the tax and it will be gone immediately. Seattle will then continue to have a regressive tax system.

[**https://ntk4justice.com**](https://ntk4justice.com/)**/**   [**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ewu1Lkrx4eA**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ewu1Lkrx4eA)

(Riall Johnson, PCO, 21st LD)

**8:57 PM - Adjourned**

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**32LD Membership Zoom Meeting
Wed., Nov. 3, 2021, 6:30PM**

Respectfully submitted,
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