



## **Union County Democratic Central Committee**

### **Meeting Minutes:**

**Meeting Called to Order: 5:08**

**Present:** Terry E., Glen, Jerry S. Carole H. Mary C. Sharon E. Kathleen C, Gray Mc.

**Introductions:** Introductions were made.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer's report – no fiscal cliff for UCD! Copies of report were shared. We are ahead at this time. State DPO gave us about 75 Obama signs; we still need to settle with them – we have the funds to do so.

On another note, we have a year long liability so will cover us for all activities in the coming year.

### **Minutes Approval:**

**Item:** congressional update from Kathleen. Wyden is chair of Natural Resources. Some comments on: other samples of energy sources, local production & grid.

Merkley & filibuster – has a strong case, petitions going around, have until 22<sup>nd</sup>. Jeff approval ratings have improved since taking on the filibuster shows folks are paying attention. Also got appropriations committee.

Legislative has time to work out this issue.



Reid kept session open.

Guns are big issue right now; Wyden will be visiting central Oregon soon. Looking at managing assault weapons & related mental health issues, will be on front burner. Wyden's father, Peter, wrote a book about mental illness.

Debt ceiling – Walden introducing a bill preventing gov. from “minting the trillion dollar coin” concept to avoid debt ceiling – congress authorized spending, prez follows suit, if not passed leads to default, treasury has authority to mint coins in platinum with no limit. Gov. can satisfy the obligation of debt ceiling, economist Krugman is in favor. How does it compare to not raising debt ceiling? Bill indicates that this is an option for Prez.

Walden voted yes on “fiscal cliff” agreement.

**Item:** non partisan petition Terry E. -

**Item:** officers: chair Glen will take one more year, Carole vice chair, Jamie secretary -will “job share” with Sharon.

May need an internet person - a media writer/editor.

Our website:

[www.union.oregondemocrats.org](http://www.union.oregondemocrats.org)

Jerry is willing to post political legislature on website.

Facebook page – go to webpage and click on FB.

Officers – Chair – Glen, Vice chair – Carole, Treasurer – Janet Hume, Secretary Jaime & Sharon



Moved and passed to accept this slate of officers. We have a quorum of PCPs present.

**Item:** Committees – standing – Gray willing to continue with UCfair.

Need to firm up organization of committee.

Jerry willing to contact DPO and other affiliates regarding fundraising.

Jerry will be liaison between PCP, will contact DPO, and will contact PCPs giving them updates.

Outreach who can we channel to focus on particular issues, committees, projects, PCPs etc.

Fundraising, outreach/recruiting, county fair,

Perhaps put together a job description for each of these committees.

Mary suggests sponsoring a banquet or something similar; an annual event is helpful,

Suggestion: each chair to bring an action plan.

Moved and seconded to establish 4 standing committees.

Glen will develop brief job description. Gray has agreed to county fair, Jerry outreach and PCP. Will seek fundraising events chair.

**Next meeting:** first Wednesday March 6<sup>th</sup>, 5:00.

**Adjourned: 5:47**

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Evoy, Secretary