



**UNION COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY of OREGON**

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**Web Site** <http://union.oregondemocrats.org/>  
**Facebook** <http://www.facebook.com/Union-County-Democrats>  
**Address** Union County Democrats, PO Box 1575, La Grande, OR 97850  
**Meeting Location** SAC Annex, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conf. Room, 105 Fir Street La Grande, Oregon

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Date: January 4, 2017  
5:00-6:20 pm**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Roll-Call of Officers and Precinct Committee Persons**

Present                       Absent                       Excused

**Officers**

- Chair, Carole Halvorson
- Vice Chair, Randy L. Knop
- Secretary, Cheryl Simpson
- Treasurer, Janet Hume-Schwarz

**PRECINCT COMMITTEE ROSTER  
UNION COUNTY, OREGON**

NAME 15/66	PRECINCT 01-19	STATUS	MEETING ATTENDANCE
Terry Edvalson	01	Appointed	
Thorman Hulse	01	Appointed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Kathleen Cathey	03	Appointed	
Mary McCracken	03	Appointed	
Glen Scheele	07	Appointed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mary Calder	01	Elected	
Cheryl Simpson	01	Elected	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Kathleen McGuire	01	Elected/Write-In	
Mollie M. Hulse	02	Elected/Write-In	
Margaret L. Mead	04	Elected/Write-In	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dick McDaniel	04	Elected/Write-In	
Carole Halvorson	05	Elected	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Robert Delve	05	Elected	
Randy L. Knop	16	Elected	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bill Whitaker	01	Elected	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## **Meeting Roster**

Thorman Hulse, Glen Scheele, Margaret Mead, Bill Whitaker

## **Guests**

None present

**Approval of Prior Minutes**, Stand as presented. Randy L. Knop, Vice Chair

## **Officers' Reports**

None made.

## **Old Business**

1. Communications
  - a. Thanks to Gray McGuire, Glen Scheele and Cheryl Simpson for the Website Update - Union County Democrats (UCD) <http://union.oregondemocrats.org>.  
Need photos!  
**Action:** Randy will e-mail Gray and inquire who currently has administrative access to the UCD website. Current officers should have access.
  - b. Randy reports that the update to the Democratic Party of Oregon <http://dpo.org/counties/Union> website will be made in January 2017 to include: Correct Vice President to Randy L. Knop
2. Bills – none reported
3. Reports on past activities — none

## **New Business**

1. New Post Office Box 1575 obtained by Randy (January-July 2017).
  - a. Small size box acquired with holding of larger items by P.O.
  - b. Cost was \$42. Thanks to Randy for the donation covering the cost of the box.
  - c. Two keys provided (Vice Chair and Secretary).
  - d. Secretary is responsible for checking the P.O. box at least twice weekly and notifying Vice Chair when this is not possible.
  - e. Finance related mail should remain in P.O. box notifying Vice Chair (covering for the vacant Treasurer position).
2. Discussed participating in Congressional Democrats call for a nationwide resistance rally *First Stand: Save Health Care Resistance Rally* on Sunday, January 15. No information has been forthcoming from the ODP.  
**Action:** Glen moved the Union County Democrats adopt a resolution stating we oppose Republican efforts to dismantle Affordable Care Act, Medicare,

Medicaid and Social Security. Bill Whitaker seconded. Passed unanimously.  
We will oppose, resist, early and often!

**Action:** Glen will compile *First Stand* options for action and send them to Randy for distribution through Cheryl to UCD mailing list and posted on the website and Facebook page.

**Action:** UCD create a Citizens Petition requesting Representative Greg Walden Investigate President Elect Donald J. Trump. Deliver the Petition to Representative Greg Walden's La Grande office.

a. Petition to determine what Mr. Trump knew about the Russian interference in the election, when he knew it, and whether Mr. Trump's actions constitutes treason.

b. The Citizen's Petition would be delivered to the Oregonian, Eastern Oregonian, The Observer and Bend Bulletin for publication by January 18<sup>th</sup>.

c. Bill Whitaker and Thorman Hulse will develop the Citizen's Petition and sent to Carole Halvorson, Chair with cc: to Randy, Vice Chair for Executive Committee approval.

### 3. Turning Blue Discussion.

**Action:** Create plan to recruit viable candidates for targeted races.

**Action:** Host a Candidates Fair in March or April. Randy will explore options and report back.

Reference: Offices that will be on the November 2018 ballot from county clerk, Robin Church, C.C.C. to Glen Scheele

House Dist 58 – 2 yr term

Judge of the Circuit Court, 10<sup>th</sup> Dist, Pos #1

County Commissioner, Pos #1

County Commissioner, Pos #2

District Attorney

City of Cove

Mayor

3 Council Positions

City of Elgin

Mayor

City Recorder/Administrator

3 council Positions

City of Imbler

Mayor

4 Council Positions

City of Island City

Mayor

4 Council Positions

City of La Grande

Mayor

4 Council Positions

City of North Powder

Mayor

3 Council Positions

City of Union

Mayor

5 Council Positions

City of Summerville

2 Council Positions

4. Resignation of Treasurer Janet Hume-Schwarz accepted with regret and thanks for her excellent service. Motion – Glen Scheele, Second – Margaret Mead. Passed unanimously.
5. Remove the name of Janet Hume-Schwarz and all others of record as authorized signer(s) for the Union County Democratic Party checking account. Motion – Glen Scheele, Second - Thorman Hulse. Passed unanimously.
6. Effective January 4, 2017 the Chair (Carole Halvorson) and Vice Chair (Randy L. Knop) are the sole authorized signers for the UCD checking account and shall present themselves to the financial institution to complete all necessary steps to their becoming the Authorized Signers for the Union County Democratic Party checking account. Motion – Glen Scheele, Second – Margaret Mead. Passed Unanimously.

Actions 4-6 above scanned and included with Meeting Minutes.

7. A key to the Sac Annex office was given to Secretary Cheryl Simpson in addition to a key to the P.O. Box.

**Adjourned: 6:20 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted  
Cheryl Simpson, Secretary