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OFFICIAL CALL

KCDCC—2005 Nominating Convention

Tuesday June 28, 2005—7:00 pm

Registration opens at 6:00 pm — \$10.00/person registration donation
Bellevue Community College Gymnasium—3300 Landerholm Circle SE—Bellevue

Proposed Agenda

- Call to Order
- Flag Salute
- Welcome and Introductions
- Appointment of Secretary, Parliamentarian, Sergeant-At-Arms, Tally Committee, Timer
- Acceptance of Agenda
- Convention Rules Report
- Acceptance of Rules
- First Credential Report
- Nominations open for King County Executive (all eligible PCOs to vote)
- Five minutes of time for each candidate
- Second Credential Report
- Voting on King County Executive Candidates
- Tally and Results

- Five Minute Break

- Break into Nine King County Council Districts (badges to have Council District Number, Precinct, and Number of Delegate Votes printed along with Name)
 - King County Officers will convene the nine potential sessions
 - Appoint: Secretary, Parliamentarian, Sgt.-At-Arms, Timer, and Tally Committee
 - Rules Report
 - Credential Report
 - Nominations including five minutes of time for each candidate
 - Voting
 - Tally and Results

- Five Minute Break

- Return to General Session to report results of District voting
- Ballots and minutes will be returned to the Chair for safekeeping
- Good of the Order
- Adjourn





MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD!

Use your voice in the election of your Democratic Party Candidate.

How will we elect the Democratic Party candidates in 2005?

The U.S. courts have ruled that the right of political parties to choose their nominees is protected by the U.S. Constitution. The Republican, Libertarian and Democratic Parties are challenging the top-two primary system that was passed by initiative in November as unconstitutional. If the courts do not agree that this top-two system is unconstitutional, the political parties have each set up rules to nominate their own candidates for partisan offices. (For complete rules of the 2005 Democratic Party nominating process visit www.kcdems.org or call 206-622-9157).

The County Democratic Party organizations will be holding nominating conventions in May and June to nominate their candidates for partisan offices that will appear on the September primary ballot. The elected and appointed Precinct Committee Officers (PCOs) will meet to elect their nominees for the Districts they live in. The candidate nominated will be placed on the primary ballot with the Democratic symbol beside their name. No other candidate will be able to run as the Democratic Party candidate.

This process will be in place for partisan offices only and will likely change in 2006 depending on action by the legislature or the courts.

How does my voice get heard in the nomination process?

The Democratic Party wants Democrats to get involved. We will actually have a more open process than the Republicans. The Democratic Party will be using our Precinct Committee Officers, which are elected by their neighbors every even-numbered year. The Republicans will be using the caucus style system, which is highly Party-driven on the Republican side and limited in the number of people who are allowed to participate. You can get involved in the Democratic Party nominating process two ways:

- 1) Become a Precinct Committee Officer. May 27, 2005, close of the business day, was the deadline for becoming an appointed PCO. All elected and appointed PCOs will have voice and voting rights at the convention.
- 2) If you did not want to become a PCO you may contact your neighborhood PCO and let them know what Democratic candidate you want to be nominated. This is the most direct form of citizen democracy there is. If your precinct does not have a PCO then contact the one closest to you. The PCOs that are elected and appointed will be seeking your input as well.

As the Democratic Party, we strive year-round to make sure that the rights of citizens to elect their representatives are protected at all levels. We know that this process will not appeal to some; however, we must continue to protect the first amendment rights of the voters we represent. You can have a say and we want you to have a say!

Please contact your Democratic Party officials if you have any questions — see page 5 of this publication..

**Operating Rules
for the King County Democratic Nominating Convention
Bellevue Community College Gymnasium—3300 Landerholm Circle SE—Bellevue
(see www.kcdems.org for directions and bus routes)**

June 28, 2005—7:00 pm

(Adopted by the KCDCC Executive Board - May 24, 2005)

General

Only Democratic Precinct Officers elected on September 21, 2004, and those Precinct Committee Officers appointed by the King County Democratic Chair by May 27, 2005, may participate in any voting or nominating of candidates. Nominations shall not occur prior to 7:15 p.m.

Any challenges to a Precinct Committee Officer's eligibility to participate must be made in writing to the King County Democratic Chair no later than 6:00 p.m. on June 27, 2005. The Credentials Committee shall review and rule on all challenges.

During the counting of ballots by the tally committee, candidates in those races where ballots are being counted may appoint one observer. The candidate must notify the permanent chair of that particular meeting who their official observer is prior to the counting of the ballots by the tally committee.

In a position where only one candidate has been nominated, that position may be voted on by acclamation.

A PCO's vote shall be weighted, based on the 2000 Presidential results.

All ballots are public record and shall be in the possession of the King County Democratic Chair.

Proxy votes are not allowed.

No other business outside of the nominating of candidates shall take place at the nominating convention.

Any motion to modify or suspend these rules shall be out of order.

Executive

The Chair of the King County Democratic Party shall serve as permanent chair during the King County Executive nominating process. The Chair shall appoint a secretary, parliamentarian, sergeant-at-arms, credentials chair and committee, and tally committee chair and committee. The Chair shall take nominations from the floor. Each nomination requires a second. The nomination and seconding of a candidate shall not count against any time limit.

Candidates shall have up to five minutes to present their candidacy. This can include testimonials from other individuals. The order of presentations shall be in the order nominations were taken.

At conclusion of all presentations, up to ten minutes of questions shall be taken from the floor. All questions must be directed to all candidates. Candidates shall have up to one minute to respond to questions.

All eligible precinct committee officers must sign their ballots. Ballots must be cast for one candidate only and cannot be split.

Abstentions are in order, but shall not count towards the vote totals. Non-signed ballots shall be considered a spoiled ballot and not count toward the vote totals.

A simple majority of votes is needed. If a majority is not obtained by a candidate on the first ballot, the candidate with the least amount of votes shall be dropped, and voting shall take place again. This method will continue to take place until a candidate receives a majority of the vote. In the event that only two candidates remain and a tie occurs, the tie shall be broken by lot by the remaining candidates.

Upon the nomination of the Executive, the Chair will direct the Precinct Committee Officers to convene by County Council District in which they were elected or appointed.

County Council

The Chair of the King County Democratic Party shall appoint a permanent Chair for each of the nine County Council nominating meetings. The permanent Chair of the County Council nominating meeting shall appoint a secretary, parliamentarian, and a tally chair and committee.

The permanent Chair shall take nominations from the floor. Each nomination requires a second. The nomination and seconding of a candidate shall not count against any time limit.

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Upon the nomination of the County Council position, the permanent Chair will immediately report to the King County Democratic Chair the results.



The King County Democrat

The King County Democrat is published a minimum of 10 days before a general membership meeting pursuant to KCDCC By-laws. Copy is published in-house on a monthly basis, posted at website, www.kcdems.org, and sent via bulk-mail to all King County PCOs.



King County Democrats Officers Meeting

The Officers of the King County Democrats will meet for their regular monthly meeting on:

Thursday June 23, 2005—6:30 pm
Suzie's Place—10415 SE 174th Street, #5144
Renton, Washington 98055

Agenda will be sent to all officers; this is a public meeting.

SAVE THIS DATE!

Saturday July 30, 2005—Noon

King County Democrats Picnic at Lower Woodland Park, Shelter 1 in Seattle. Good food, fun, and candidates!

BUY PROGRAM ADVERTISEMENTS

2005 Nominating Convention Program Advertisements available at:

\$25.00 - 1/8 page

\$50.00 - 1/4 page

\$100.00 - 1/2 page

\$200.00 - Full Page

Over \$200 Convention Sponsorship (Artwork due by 6/20/2005)

Purchase Table Space

\$10.00 per table
Starting at 5:00 pm

Legislative Districts will provide Food Service

For more information, contact Suzie at 206.622.9157 or kingcountymocrats@msn.com

King County Democratic Central Committee Officers

<u>Elected Position</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>e-mail</u>
Chair	Susan	Sheary	suzie2004@comcast.net
First Vice-Chair	Rob	Dolin	robdolin@wuxx.com
Second Vice-Chair	Marie	Yamamoto	jam@drizzle.com
Third Vice-Chair	Sharon	Mast	skmast@att.net
Fourth Vice-Chair	Gurine	Nordby	
State Committeeman	Javier	Valdez	airjav@msn.com
State Committeewoman	Pat	Taylor	pat.taylor@mindspring.com
Treasurer	Chuck	Laney	laney06@attglobal.net

Appointments accepted at re-organization

12/4/2004

Recording Secretary	Angela	Henry	angelachenry@hotmail.com
Leg Action Comm	Tina	Shamseldin	tinashamseldin@comcast.net
Platform/By-laws	Joel	Ware	joelware@hotmail.com
Program Chair	Jean	Amos	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Juan	Martinez	
Parliamentarians/Attys	Paul	Schneiderman	
	Robert	Gaudet	
Independent Audit	Jenson	Hagen	

Candidate Recruitment Judith Baker Hine

Endorsements Linnea Peterson

Officers Named to Conduct King County Council District Sessions At 2005 Nominating Convention

The following KCDCC Officers will conduct the nine council nominating sessions at the King County Democrats Nominating Convention on Tuesday June 28, 2005, 7:00 pm.

District 1	Javier Valdez
District 2	Gurine Nordby
District 3	Pat Taylor
District 4	Rob Dolin
District 5	Chuck Laney
District 6	Sharon Mast
District 7	Susan Sheary
District 8	Marie Yamamoto
District 9	Angela Henry



Javier Valdez will also lead the Credentials Committee, Alec Stephens will serve as Parliamentarian/Sgt-At-Arms, Angela Henry will serve as secretary, and Steven Smith will be in charge of the Tally Committee. Chair of the 36th LD, Peter House will head the welcome committee.

1st LD

Chair: Jeff Wiley, 425.778.4808
 Meets 1st Thursday, 7:00 pm
 Northshore School Admin
 18335 Bothell Way NE, Bothell

5th LD

Chair: Kayne McGladrey, 425.894.5298
 Meets 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 pm
 King County Library Admin
 960 Newport Way NW, Issaquah

11th LD

Chair: Edward Prince, 206.246.8747
 Meets 3rd Tuesday, 7:00 pm
 Carpenters Hall
 231 Burnett North, Renton

30th LD

Chair: Larry Jackson, 253.661.2287
 Meets 1st Wednesday, 7:00 pm
 Federal Way Senior Center
 4016 South 352nd St, Federal Way

31st LD

Chair: Tim Pearson, 253.863.4543
 Meets 4th Wednesday, 7:00 pm
 Sumner Library
 1116 Fryer Avenue, Sumner

32nd LD

Chair: Lila Smith, 206.818.1195
 Meets: 2nd Wednesday, 7:00 pm
 American Legion Hall
 14521 17th Ave NE, Shoreline

33rd LD

Chair: Tara Jo Heinecke, 206.870.8819
 Meets 3rd Monday, 7:00 pm
 Normandy Park Congregational Church
 19247 1st Ave S, Normandy Park

34th LD

Chair: Ivan Weiss, 206.463.4647
 Meets 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 pm
 The Hall at Fauntleroy
 9131 California Ave SW, Seattle

36th LD

Chair: Peter House, 206784.7665
 Meets 3rd Thursday, 7:30 pm
 See website for locations

37th LD

Chair: Gwen Rench, 206.324.2786
 Meets: 2nd Monday, 7:30 pm
 Central Area Senior Center
 500 30th Ave S., Seattle

41st LD

Chair: Barbara Geller, 206.232.4970
 Meets 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 pm
 UFCW Hall
 12838 SE 40th, Factoria

43rd LD

Chair: Richard Kelley, 206.522.2735
 Meets 3rd Tuesday, 7:30 pm
 University Baptist Church
 NE 47th and 12th Ave NE, Seattle

45th LD

Chair: Ralph Gorin, 425.556.5789
 Meets 1st Wednesday, 7:00 pm
 United Methodist Church
 16540 NE 80th St, Redmond

46th LD

Chair: Scott White, 206.363.9522
 Meets 3rd Thursday, 7:30 pm
 Olympic View Elementary School
 425 N 95th St, Seattle

47th LD

Chair: Bryan Kesterson, 253.639.3515
 Meets 1st Wednesday, 7:00 pm
 Machinists' Hall
 A St SW at 2nd St SW, Auburn

48th LD

Chair: Benjamin Von Ullrich, 206.979.9073
 Meets 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 pm
 Stevenson Elementary School Library
 14220 NE 8th, Bellevue

KCDCC TREASURY

Cum-to-Date, May 31, 2005 (source: MS Money Manager)

INCOME

Call for Membership/Income	\$11,197.70
District Donations	6,663.21
Elected Officials	6,850.00
Honors Banquet	13,029.00
Nominating Convention Sponsorship	610.00
Other Events	2,015.82
Refund (Old Postage Due Account and Rent Deposits)	852.59
TOTAL INCOME	\$41,218.32

EXPENSE

Advertising	\$ 30.00
Bank Charges	484.85
Dell Computer	996.89
C.N.A.—Liability Insurance	930.00
Membership Fees	100.00
Online / Internet Design and Services	1,400.00
Phone / FAX / Internet	844.03
Rent	2,664.00
Call for Membership	524.23
Consulting / Contract Work	7,450.00
Honors Banquet	8,739.53
Licenses and Fees	10.00
Maps / Research	6,850.00
Miscellaneous	40.00
Newsletter	813.43
Office Supplies	1,269.81
Other Events	4,872.81
Other Supplies	312.09
Postage—New Postage Due Account	100.00
Storage of Files (paid through 7/1/2005)	100.00
Translation Service (Brochure in Spanish)	133.28
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$38,664.95

BALANCE on 5/31/2005 **\$ 2,553.37**

OFFICIAL CALL 2005 Nominating Convention KCDCC

Robert F. Kennedy (November 20, 1925 — June 6, 1968)
'I Remember, I Believe,' The Pursuit of Justice, 1964

“The problem of power is how to achieve its responsible use rather than its irresponsible and indulgent use—of how to get men of power to live for the public rather than off the public.”

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