

3rd Legislative District Reorganization Meeting

December 6, 2016

Mason Auditorium
West Central Community Center
1603 N Belt Street
Spokane, Washington 99205

Proposed Rules

1. Sign-in is required at check-in.
2. Eligible voters shall be limited to Precinct Committee Officers (PCOs) elected during the August 2, 2016 Primary (including any PCOs who were elected without appearing on a ballot because they were the only person to file in their precincts) who continue to reside in their precinct as of the date of the reorganization meeting.
 - a. Eligible voters will be issued ballots at check-in.
 - b. A majority vote of eligible voters present and voting is necessary to approve any vote or elect an officer unless otherwise noted.
 - i. Sixty (60) PCOs were elected in the August 2, 2016 primary in the 3rd Legislative District. One PCO has resigned and another has moved outside the precinct from which they were elected. If all 58 remaining elected PCOs are present at the reorganization meeting, a vote of 30 is required to elect an officer or approve any vote.
 - ii. If more than two candidates are running in a race and no one receives a majority vote on the first ballot, then on the next subsequent ballot the person receiving the lowest number of votes shall be dropped as a candidate for that office. In determining the lowest number of votes, any tie shall be broken by lot. Voting shall continue by subsequent ballots until one person receives a majority vote.
 - iii. If two candidates are running in a race and no one receives a majority vote on the first or a subsequent ballot, then voting shall continue by subsequent ballots until one person receives a majority vote.
 - c. Proxies are not permitted at the reorganization meeting.

3. The meeting shall be called to order by the Chair.
 - a. A Temporary Chair shall preside after the credentials report until the election of the new Chair.
4. The Body shall vote to approve the Agenda and the meeting Rules.
5. The Temporary Chair shall review the Proposed Rules with the Body.
6. Election of officers shall proceed in the following order:
 - a. Chair.
 - b. Vice Chair (opposite gender of the Chair).
 - c. State Committeeman.
 - d. State Committeewoman.
7. Process for nominating and electing all positions shall include the following:
 - a. Call for nominations. Nominations must be made by an elected PCO in the 3rd LD. Seconds may be made by any member of the Democratic Party.
 - b. Close nominations.
 - c. Three minute nomination speech for each candidate.
 - i. Order of speeches determined by order of nominations.
 - d. Two minute seconding speech for each candidate.
 - e. Nominee is allowed three minutes to speak.
 - f. Speakers for all races may be PCOs, candidates, or Democratic residents of the 3rd Legislative District.
8. Ballot Procedures:
 - a. When Precinct Committee Officers vote for organizational officers (e.g., chair, vice chair, state committeepersons), they do not have to vote by signed ballot provided that there is a mechanism to ensure the eligibility of those who cast ballots (e.g., a check-off list, sign-in-sheet, or ballot receipts). (Washington State Democratic Party Charter, Article VII.G.2).