

**Laramie County Democratic Party  
Central Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
Plains Hotel – Cheyenne  
7:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mike Bell, Chairman

**CIRCULATION OF MINUTES**

**From November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2007**

Minutes were approved as circulated.

**REPORTS**

**Chairman** – The Laramie County Convention/Caucus will be held on March 8<sup>th</sup> at the University of Wyoming Family Practice Center. If possible, we would like to find a bigger venue.

The State Party office is open in Cheyenne at 117 West 17<sup>th</sup> Street. Volunteers are still needed to staff the office. Thanks to everyone who helped to set that up.

If anyone is interested in running for public office, now is the time to do it! Talk to Chairman Bell if you are interested!

**Vice-Chairman**– No Report

**Communications Director** – No Report

**Treasurer** – Treasurer Marcum reported that the party has \$3559.74 in the checking account.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**The Grass Roots Coalition** – A meeting was held on January 17<sup>th</sup> and the topic of discussion was health issues. Representatives Lori Millin and Ken Esquibel were present and Marilyn Patton from Wyoming Health and Human Services addressed the group.

The GRC will have an open membership drive at on January 27<sup>th</sup> at the Knudsen residence. On February 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 PM at the Laramie County Library, the monthly meeting topic will be education issues and will feature WEA Director Katherine Valido and LCSD #1 Superintendent, Ted Adams.

There will not be a GRC meeting in March, but, the next meeting is scheduled for April 17<sup>th</sup> and will focus on election issues featuring Commissioner Jeff Ketchum, Councilwoman Judy Case, and Debbye Lathrop, County Clerk. The meeting in May will

be held on the 15<sup>th</sup> and will feature Representative Mary Throne discussing environmental issues in our state.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

### **SPECIAL EVENT**

Legislative Panel: Representative Lori Millin, Representative Mary Throne, Representative Floyd Esquibel, Representative Ken Esquibel, Senator Jayne Mockler.

Topics Discussed: Budget surplus, Legislative turnover, county and property valuation, gas production, carbon sequestration, surplus funds and regenerating funds, improving infrastructure, REAL ID Act, health insurance clinical trials, public health emergency assistance, physician and dentist recruitment, smoke-free legislation, young people as election judges, work excuses for split shift employees on voting day.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Next Meeting** – The next meeting of the Laramie County Democrats will be held at the Plains Hotel on February 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

### **ADJOURNMENT**