## LINN COUNTY DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE



Meeting Agenda

March 6th, 2025, 6:00 PM Albany Public Library

Social Time 6:00 PM

Come early for light refreshments and good conversation.

### General Meeting 6:30 PM

- 1. Call to order
- 2. Welcome and introductory remarks
- 3. Agenda additions/changes
- 4. Vote Run Lead Action Presentation
- 5. DNC Updates
- 6. Treasurer's Report
- 7. Committee Reports
  - a. Standing Committees
    - i. Neighborhood Leader
    - ii. Organization Committee
    - iii. Campaign Committee
    - iv. Events Committee
    - v. Communications Committee
    - vi. Platform and Resolutions Committee
    - vii. Rules Committee
- 8. Old Business
  - a. Second Reading Proposed Bylaws amendment Article IV: Revise PCP Eligibility and Term of Office
- 9. New Business
  - a. Continuing Usage of X platform
  - b. First Quarter State Central Committee Meeting Update
  - c. Congressional District 5 Reorganization
  - d. Proposed Resolution 2025-1 Right To A Healthy Environment
- 10. Announcements and Events
  - a. State Central Committee (SCC) Meeting / Reorganization: 3/15/25 3/16/25
    - i. <u>Click Here</u> to learn more about the agenda
- 11. Good of the Order

# Proposed Bylaws Amendment - Article IV: Revise PCP Eligibility and Term of Office

### **Existing Language**

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**Section 3) PCP VACANCIES:** In the event of a PCP vacancy declared by the County Clerk, LCDCC members may vote to fill the vacancy by first nominating a prospective PCP in one LCDCC meeting and then voting to confirm the nominee in the **same or in a subsequent** LCDCC meeting. The **appointment** shall become effective **immediately**. The County Clerk **shall be informed of the appointment in order to certify and add t**hat person's name to **their official** list of precinct committee persons.

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### **Proposed Language and Edits**

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- 1. For an elected PCP, have been registered in the precinct 251 days before the primary election.
- 2. For a write-in PCP, have been a registered Democrat for 180 days before Election Day.
- 3. For an appointed PCP, have been a registered Democrat for 180 days before Election Day.

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#### Justification:

The eligibility periods and term of office need to be brought into alignment with Oregon state law under ORS 2023 Edition, Chapter 248, Sections 015-019.

#### **RESOLUTION 2025-1**

Resolution submitted by Greg Ivers, Linn County Democratic Central Committee Platforms and Resolutions Committee Chair



## **Right To A Healthy Environment**

**WHEREAS** the Oregon Constitution does not ensure the right of Oregonians to a clean, healthy, and sustainable environment;

**WHEREAS** a ruling on a recent lawsuit by Our Children's Trust found that the Public Trust Doctrine in Oregon does not protect against air or climate pollution;

WHEREAS the Oregon Democratic Platform states in Article 3, "We believe that all people have the inalienable right to a healthy Environment." and the 2023 Linn County Democratic Central Committee Platform states in Article 2 "All people have the right to a healthy environment: clean air and water, well-managed sewage treatment, recycling, and solid waste disposal, accessible open and recreational space, functional habitats and ecosystem relationships, and sustainable watersheds. We support the protection of air, scenic, soil, and water resources";

**WHEREAS** Legislative Action Item #14 in the Oregon Platform states, "Amend the Oregon Constitution to ensure the right for all residents to a healthy environment. (State)";

WHEREAS the impacts of climate change like worsening forest fires and heat domes, the unsustainable management and use of natural resources, the pollution of air, land and water, the unsound management of chemicals and waste, the resulting loss of biodiversity, and the decline in services provided by ecosystems that interferes with the enjoyment of a clean, healthy and sustainable environment and that environmental damage has negative implications, both direct and indirect, for the effective enjoyment of all human rights;

#### NOW, THEREFORE THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF LINN COUNTY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. The Linn County Democratic Central Committee supports the passage of Oregon Senate Joint Resolution 28-1, an Amendment to the Oregon Constitution, to be referred to the ballot in 2026, to establish a fundamental right to a clean, safe and healthy environment.

**Section 2.** We call on Linn County Democratic officials to support SJR 28-1.

<u>Section 3.</u> The Linn County Democratic Central Committee will advance community knowledge and support to pass a ballot measure on this topic in 2026.