

# Democratic Party of the Wisconsin 2nd CD 2009 Convention

With 65 delegates registered, the 2nd CD convention was held in Portage, WI on a beautiful Saturday, April 18. Chair Peter Rickman conducted an efficient, democratic meeting, though being a bit long winded at times.

The agenda permitted us to hear from several prominent speakers, including Assembly Speaker Mike Sheridan and Representative Tammy Baldwin. Both were very upbeat, emphasizing the opportunities as well as the challenges. Rep. Baldwin was particularly reassuring in describing President Obama as coolly taking one challenge at a time, with some indication that concerns that seem to be neglected will be dealt with in time. She also noted with pride the significant accomplishments from Congress already. She was very hopeful of getting significant legislation to address both global warming and health care, items on her committee assignments. She was clear on where she differed with President Obama and indicated that she would fight hard for her positions, but need for us to let Obama know that we are with her.

2nd CD party officers were elected as follows:

Chair: Peter Rickman

Representative to DPW Admin Committee: Heather Colburn

Alternate (Chair) to DPW Admin Committee: Justin Sergeant

Alternate (Representative) to DPW Admin Committee: Sue Elisson

Secretary: Lindsey Lee

Treasurer: Randy Udell

First Vice Chair: Craig ?

Second Vice Chair: Loreen Bock

The Resolution Committee presented 22 resolutions for our consideration. All were approved, though with some amendments. We voted for 10 to send forward to the state convention, but the results were not available yet. If you wish to see the Resolutions, contact me.

Only two delegates from Rock County were present. Dane, Sauk and Jefferson dominated.

Bob Fizzell