

Hays County Republican Party Executive Committee
Minutes
January 31, 2022 7:00 PM
Hays County Republican Party Welcome Center

By the call of the Chairman, the Hays County Republican Party Executive Committee met at 7:00 PM on Monday, January 31, 2022, at the Hays County Republican Party Welcome Center located at 6000 West FM 150, Kyle, Texas.

Welcome: Chairman Bob Parks called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

Re-Appointment of Sergeant-at-Arms: Due to the continued absence of Sergeant-at-Arms Wesley Doss, Mike Guerra was appointed the permanent Sergeant-at-Arms.

Invocation: The invocation was given by Loren Wilber.

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and the Texas flag: The pledges were led by Tom Holman.

Recognition of special guests, elected officials, and candidates:

Laura Nunn, Candidate for Hays County Republican Party Chairman
John Burns, Justice of the Peace Precinct 4, Hays County
Walt Smith, Hays County Commissioner, Precinct 4
Kris Coons, SREC Representative District 25

Secretary's Report and Approval of the Minutes: Secretary Vicki Alvord presented the minutes of the November 29, 2021 meeting for consideration and approval. Nancye Britner made a motion to accept the minutes and Mary Clarkson seconded. Motion passed. The Secretary explained that only those precinct chairmen who remained in their previous precinct were eligible to count toward a quorum. There were fourteen precinct chairmen present, constituting a quorum.

Adoption of the Agenda: Nancye Britner asked to amend the agenda to endorse Wiill Conley for SREC Representative for District 25 (copy attached). It was seconded by Ty Carlson. Motion passed.

Tom Holman made a motion to amend the agenda to allow HCRP Chairman Bob Parks to be completely in charge of the primary (copy attached). The motion was seconded and passed.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Mary Pat Paul delivered the treasurer's report (copy attached). The bank balance as of January 31, 2022 was \$158,411.55.

Mary Pat Paul announced that a donation of \$1,000 was made to the Border Patrol, paid from the Chairman's Discretionary Fund. The check was sent to the Camino Real Republican Women for delivery to the Border Patrol.

Selection Committee Report, Recommendations and Possible Action of Swearing In: Vice Chairman and Selection Committee Chairman Ken Roberts announced that any current precinct chairmen who changed districts because of redistricting must be reprocessed into new precinct. Ken Roberts, along with committee members Travis Brown, Mike Guerra and Derek Marshall, and Ex-Officio member Bob Parks, met on January 30, 2022 to discuss recommending to re-swear the existing precinct chairs who have been redistricted into a new precinct. A motion was made by Tom Holman and appropriately seconded to re-swear the chairmen so affected. Motion passed. Those present were sworn in by Judge John Burns.

Old Precinct	New Precinct	Chair	Status
126	128	John Carter	
128	206	Rex Wiegand	
330	132	Jim Green	Not present
419	219	Mike Guerra	
441	344	Ben Broughton	
447	347	Mike Jones	Not present
222	422	Ryan Ellis	
224	424	Terry Parker	
225	425	Trudy Hayter	
226	426	Loren Wilber	
230	430	Jim Rowley	
232	432	Derek Marshall	
236	436	Mike Davenport	Not present
449	450	Mary Pat Paul	

At the January 30th meeting, five candidates for precinct chairmen were discussed. After introductions were made, a motion was made and seconded to accept the recommendation of the Committee to accept the new chairmen. Motion passed. The new candidates were sworn in by Judge Burns.

Precinct	Name	Status
110	Steve Whigham	
221	Larry Thompson	
320	Lori Cofano	
336	Gary Gilbert	
445	Tracy Terrell	Not present

Chairman's Report: Mary Pat Paul discussed the Chairman's Discretionary Fund Budget renewal. Last year the CEC gave the chairman a \$10,000 fund to prevent him for having to come to the CEC for small expenses, which expired on January 25th. Nancye Britner made a motion to provide the Chairman a Discretionary Fund for 2022 in the amount of \$10,000. Seconded by Mary Clarkson. Motion passed.

Notice of Lincoln Reagan Dinner: The annual Lincoln Reagan Dinner will be held at the Embassy Suites in San Marcos on April 25, 2022. The speaker will be South Dakota Governor Kristi Noem. The Table Sponsor Committee from last year has been reappointed and will meet on February 1st. The Party is in great financial condition. If we repeat or do better than last year, we hope to make \$130,000 to \$150,000 which can be used for campaigns. HCRW will conduct the auction, if approved by their board next week.

Senator Donna Campbell Fundraiser: A fundraiser for Senator Donna Campbell will be held at the Embassy Suites in San Marcos, February 17th, 5:30-7 PM. Special Guest will be Lt. Governor Dan Patrick. All invited are invited to attend.

Discussion of Precinct Convention Locations: Conventions will be at held two locations, possibly March 3rd or March 5th. District 25 will be at the First Baptist Church Baptist, Wimberley and District 21 will be held at the Calvary Baptist Church, San Marcos. Precinct Convention locations will be posted shortly on website, posted at voting locations, and emailed to precinct chairmen.

Discussion of Precinct Convention Training: A training session for precinct chairmen who will be running conventions will be at the Welcome Center on February 27th at 4 PM.

Notice of Senate District Convention Locations: Senate District Conventions for SD21 and SD25 will be in same locations as above on March 26th.

Finance Committee Report: The Finance Committee met on Sunday, January 9th to discuss a request from Chairman Bob Parks on a budget to help the 2022 General Election. Mary Pat Paul, Chairman, reported that the Committee agreed to spend up to \$80,000. The balance of the Name Recognition Program Budget (Keep it Red Budget) of \$38,487.96 would be applied toward the \$80,000 request. An additional \$41,512.04 from the general funds is needed to complete the \$80,000 request. Mary Pat Paul made a motion (copy attached), seconded by Mary Clarkson, to approve the \$80,000 to be used to support 2022 general election candidates. Motion passed.

Agenda Addition: Resolution in Support of Will Conley for SREC Committeeman: Nancye Britner presented a resolution to appoint Will Conley as SREC 25 committeeman. SREC 25 Committeewoman Kris Coons discussed this. She said that Mark Dorazio served well, but has resigned to run for House District 122 along with 4 others. The SREC will appoint someone to fill his unexpired term. She knows Mr. Conley and thinks he is well qualified. Others seeking this position are Chris Fails, Chris George, Chris Byrd, Greg Switzer, and Chuck Rose. Chairman Parks added some of Will's qualifications. John Carter made motion to table the discussion until the members have had the chance to qualify the other options, seconded by Sam Brannon. A show of hands showed 3 in favor, 19 opposed. Motion did not pass. A show of hands on accepting the resolution showed 20 in favor, 2 opposed. Motion passed.

Agenda Addition: Resolution Regarding Chairman Bob Parks to Conduct Primary Election: Trudy Hayter presented a resolution (copy attached) to authorize Chairman Bob Parks to act, as needed and necessary, to have full authority of the CEC to address and conduct any and all business of the 2022 Republican Primary Election. Jim Rowley seconded. Motion passed.

SREC Report: SREC 25 Committeewoman Kris Coons reported that the SREC has only met 4 times plus one Zoom meeting. At the last meeting they elected 8 new SREC representatives. The next meeting is February 10-11 at Renaissance Hotel in Austin.

Chairman's Closing Remarks: Presentation of Candidate Support Program by Sara Ridley (Majority Strategies) Sara Ridley could not be with us. Nathan McDaniel (Proscalar) filled in. The two companies are working together. He said the program they are pursuing includes voter education, persuasion and get out the vote. Help to make sure everyone goes to the polls. You can't beat door knocking. There are 90,000 new voters in Hays County since 2010. Majority Strategies will be working with data; Proscalar will be door knocking. Get out the vote!

Adjourn: Nancye Britner made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mary Pat Paul. Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM.