

## April 20, 2021 Beaufort County Republican Party

### Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Chairman Carolyn Garris called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM. The invocation was given by Gail Breed. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A quorum was established with twenty-two (22) members present.

See table below of attendance for the April 20, 2021 meeting.

Executive Committee Member Attendance: April 20, 2021			
Present		Excused Absence	
Last Name	First Name	Last Name	First Name
Ahern	Ina	Cauvin	Ruth
Breed	Gail	Moore	Brody
Brickhouse	Nancy	Brickhouse Norman	Lori
Cook	William	Rebholz	John
Coward	Joyce	Waters	Frank
Dunn	Tandy		
Forrest	Joanne		
Garris	Carolyn		
Garrison	Patricia		
Hickman	Charles		
Knox	Joseph		
Moate	Doris		
Morgan	Dolores		
Richardson	Hood		
Richardson	Shirley		
Rose	Charlie		
Shackelford	Wyatt		
Simon	Donna		
Taylor	Linda		
VanEssendelft	Jessica		
Varcoe	Paul		
Waters	Kathy		

Unexcused Absence	
Last Name	First Name
Jones Adkins	Loretta
Bishop	Michael
Cayton	William
Colleary	Nanci
Cox	Kelly
Deatherage	Stan
Kidwell	John Burton Proctor
Roberson	Bobby
Roe	Daniel
Trueblood	Jeffrey
Trueblood	Jean
Trueblood	Phillip
Whichard	Jimmie
Williams	Victor
Williams	Wesley

Public Attendees	
Last Name	First Name
Parker	Donna
Parker	Jim
Wortman	Donna
Whitley	Debra
Woolard	Marilyn

Meeting Minutes for February 16, 2021 were approved. One correction was identified for the March 6, 2021 and then approved.

Treasurer, Anne Maatman provided a finance report including the current level of available funds. The presentation slides are provided as an attached.

Chairman Carolyn Garris identified Nancy Brickhouse as Finance Committee chair.

Three nominations for Board of Elections were nominated and approved. They are John Tate, III, Donna Wortman and Rane Singleton.

An update on the June 24, 2021 Reagan Day Rally was provided by funding committee member Anne Maatman. The main speaker, Lieutenant Governor Mark Robinson is confirmed to attend. Keith Kidwell was recognized as being instrumental in having Mark Robinson attend. A Silent Auction is a new addition to the event. Gail Breed will coordinate items to be included. A new location, Tar Hill Variety Theater was identified as well as the per person and table costs discussed. A registration sheet was provided and reviewed and will also be offered online. Several new ideas were identified, for example include a VIP reception for Mark Robinson. In the interest of time, everyone was encouraged to send other ideas to Dot Moate who would review at the next Fund-Raising Committee meeting. The presentation slides are provided as an attachment as well as a copy of the registration sheet.

Anne Maatman also shared the date of the Annual Golf Tournament; October 16, 2021 indicating John Rebholz will return as the organizer.

A brief summary from Joseph Knox was provided on the District Convention held Saturday April 17, 2021. He noted it was the largest attendance recorded for District Convention with approximately 240 people. Onslow County had the largest attendance with 100 people. The speaker was Judge Warren and a recommendation was made to invite the Judge to a BC Executive Board meeting. Elected officials included new Chairperson, Dave Wickersham and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair Lee Burrows.

Gail Breed provided information on the State Convention. Registration is only available online at [www.convention.nc.gop](http://www.convention.nc.gop) (no onsite registration). Attendance can be selected as in-person or virtual. A full package is \$350 or \$75 with menu-type selections at additional costs for each event. The convention starts with a 7pm Welcome Reception. Daily timeframes were identified and include breakout sessions. A Sunday Prayer Breakfast will close the convention.

Jodie Forrest, advisor for the Inner Banks Young Republicans shared information from their March 20, 2021 meeting. There are currently eleven (11) members (ages 18-40)

and eleven (11) associate members (those who ages are outliers to the member age). She reviewed the member names and a recommendation was made and agreed to link from their Facebook page to BC Republican website. All were invited to attend the next monthly meeting on April 29, 2021 at the Waterfront Gazebo, Washington, NC.

Public Comments were provided by Patricia Garrison, Jacki VanEssendelft, Linda Taylor and Carolyn Garriss. Please be sure to sign up in advance of the meeting by contacting Chairman Carolyn Garriss.

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair Patricia Garrison discussed the current investigations of voter integrity in Michigan and New Hampshire. Having the same systems where modems were connected to the internet enabling votes from Republicans to be switched to Democrat candidates. She also indicated President Biden is now providing school grants in exchange for incorporating Critical Race Theory and 1619 history into the curriculum.
- Jacki VanEssendelft attended a seminar where Belinda Pettiford from NC Health and Human Resources discussed Racism, White Privilege and Equity VS Equality as a way to indoctrinate these ideologies in the NC health professionals. This is the same content currently supported by the Democrat party. A recommendation was made, and she agreed, to contact Keith Kidwell, Mark Robinson and include Carolyn Garriss regarding the materials from the seminar.
- Linda Taylor invited all to the Saturday April 24, 2021 event at the Winds of Change Church. Guest speakers, Charlie Rose and Kelly Cox will present on "Constitutional Safety".
- A handout, "Notice of Board of Elections Public Demonstration for New Voting Systems 4/21 and 4/27 at 5 PM" was provided by Carolyn Garriss with a request to send her an email if attending. Jody Forrest and Paul Varcoe indicated they will attend both sessions, along with Carolyn Garriss.

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM.

Next meeting: May 18, 2021

# ATTACHMENTS AS REFERECED IN MEETING MINUTES



## Financial Report

*Election Cycle 2021-2022*

March 6 - April 20, 2021

### Today's Balances

	Party	Building Fund	Total
Beginning Balance	\$ 1,804.24	\$ 3,616.66	\$ 5,420.90
Receipts	\$ 726.00	0	\$ 726.00
Expenses	\$ 23.26	0	\$ 23.26
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,506.98</b>	<b>\$ 3,616.66</b>	<b>\$ 6,123.64</b>

# Regan Republican Rally (RRR)

*Dot Moore, Chair  
Loretta Adkins  
Jody Forrest  
Anne Matman  
Jay McRoy  
John Rebholz  
Charlie Rose  
Fred & Lane Schroeder*



## MEMBERS

Fundraising Committee  
Beaufort County Republican Party

## IDEAS SO FAR

### Annual Large Group

- Reagan Republican Rally
- Golf Tournament



### Small Group Repeating

- Picnic-style gathering
- Corn Hole Tournament



## REAGAN REPUBLICAN RALLY

Thursday, June 24, 2021  
Lt. Gov. Mark Robinson, speaker  
Tar Heel Variety Theatre, Chocowinity  
\$50 per person



## REAGAN REPUBLICAN RALLY 2021

Funds from

- Table Sponsors
- Ticket Sales
- Silent Auction
- Donations
- 50/50 Raffle

Expect to clear  
\$4000 - \$8000

# RRR Update continued



## REQUEST APPROVAL

Executive Committee approval allows the Fund Raising Committee to make arrangements for these two events.

## REAGAN REPUBLICAN RALLY PROMOTION PLANNED



- Paper brochures
- Facebook posting and boosts
- Email blasts
- Website event
- Online ticket/sponsorship purchase by credit card or check
- Posters
- Press Release to *Washington Daily News* and *County Compass*

## WE NEED YOUR HELP *because*

- County-wide participation from Republicans is important
- Word of mouth is still the most effective advertising
- The “pyramid scheme” still works!



## 2 SPECIFIC REQUESTS TO EACH OF YOU

1. **Consider being a table sponsor \$250**
  - Gives a name to the table – your name, business name, elected official's name, candidate's name, slogan, etc
  - Includes one seat at the table
  - Purchase additional seats at your table for \$50 each, maximum 10 seats per table
  - Empty seats at your table will be filled with individual ticket sales
2. **Donate an item for the Silent Auction**

# RRR Silent Auction

## *How you can help...*

### **SILENT AUCTION ITEMS**

1. **Identify and contact someone you know**
2. **Discuss and request a unique gift with a retail value of at least \$100. Also discuss minimum bid.**
3. **Contact Gail Breed with the information listed above (252-402-6121 or [wash132@icloud.com](mailto:wash132@icloud.com))**
4. **The donor will bring the item on June 24, 2021 during the set up at Tar Heel Variety Theatre**

## *How the Silent Auction will work*

1. **For each item there will be a clipboard with form and pen**
2. **The auction will remain open until just before the speaker is introduced**
3. **The clipboards will be gathered**
4. **Create a list of highest bids with name and item**
5. **Announce the winners**



# NOTICE OF BOARD OF ELECTIONS PUBLIC DEMONSTRATION FOR NEW VOTING SYSTEMS 4/21 & 4/27 at 5 PM

The Beaufort County Board of Elections is starting the process to acquire a new voting equipment system. There are legal requirements that need to be met. The steps are as follows:

1. Board of elections members must witness a demonstration of at least two voting system and one must be a certified voting system not currently used in your county.
2. The board of elections must then make a *preliminary* recommendation to the board of county commissioners as to which voting system should be acquired by the county.
3. The county board of elections must test the proposed voting system in a simulated election.
4. Seek State Board approval to replace the current voting system.
5. County board of elections must make a final recommendation to the board of county commissioners. (The board of commissioners can decline to adopt or acquire any voting system recommended by the county board of elections, but it cannot adopt or acquire a voting system that has not been approved by the county board of elections. The public contracting and procurement statutes do not apply to the purchase of a certified voting system. Along with the final recommendation, the CBE must submit the proposed vendor contract to the State Board of Elections for review and approval.)

Our public demonstrations (step 1) will start next week. The Hart Demo will be on April 21<sup>st</sup> at 5 pm. The ES&S Demo will be on April 27<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm. You are not required to attend but we are extending the invitation to any and all parties that may have an interest. The meeting is open to the public. The notice with dates and times is below.

## NOTICE OF BOARD OF ELECTIONS PUBLIC DEMONSTRATION FOR NEW VOTING SYSTEMS

Prior to recommending the purchase of a new voting system to the Beaufort County Commissioners, the Beaufort County Board of Elections must observe demonstrations of two voting systems certified for use in North Carolina. The demonstrations will be held at the Beaufort County Board of Elections, 1308 Highland Drive, Suite 104, Washington, North Carolina, 27889, on the following dates:

### Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 at 5:00 pm:

Voting System: Hart Inter Civic [www.hartintercivic.com](http://www.hartintercivic.com) (<http://www.hartintercivic.com>)

### Tuesday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 5:00 pm

Voting System: Election Systems and Software (ES&S) <https://www.essvote.com/>