June 8, 2021 Beaufort County Republican Party Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Chairman Carolyn Garris called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM. The invocation was given by Gail Breed. All joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A quorum was established with twenty-eight (28) members present.

See table below of attendance for the June 8, 2021 meeting.

Present		
Last Name	First Name	
Adkins	David	
Adkins	Loretta	
Breed	Gail	
Brickhouse	Nancy	
Brickhouse Norman	Lori	
Cauvin	Ruth	
Cayton	William	
Colleary	Nanci	
Cook	William	
Coward	Joyce	
Forrest	Joanne	
Garris	Carolyn	
Garrison	Patricia	
Hickman	Charles	
Maatman	Anne	
Moate	Doris	
Rader	Steven	
Rebholz	John	
Richardson	Hood	
Richardson	Shirley	
Roberson	Bobby	
Roe	Daniel	
Simon	Donna	
Rose	Charlie	
Varcoe	Paul	
Waters	Frank	
Waters	Kathy	
Whichard	Jimmie	

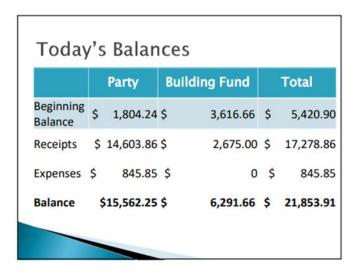
Excused Absence		
Last Name	First Name	
Dunn	Tandy	
Morgan	Dolores	
Trueblood	Jeffrey	
Knox	Joseph	

Unexcused Absence	
Last Name	First Name
Bishop	Michael
Kidwell	John Burton Proctor
Moore	Brodie
Shackelford	Wyatt
Taylor	Linda
Trueblood	Jean
Trueblood	Phillip
VanEssendelft	Jessica
Williams	Victor
Williams	Wesley

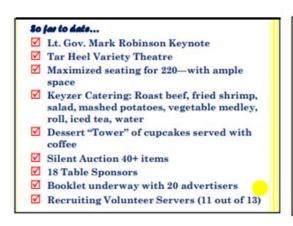
Public Attendees		
Last Name	First Name	
Aguirre	Alforedo	
Cheeseman	Matthew	
Fuchs	Steven	
Garris	Faith	
Henderson	Donna	
Leary	William	
Slann	Dawn	
Whitehurst	Jennifer	
Woolard	Marilyn	
Wortman	Donna	

Meeting Minutes for May 18, 2021 were approved.

Treasurer, Anne Maatman provided a finance report (March 6,2021 to June 8,2021 including the current level of available funds.



These slides were shared for an update on the Reagan Republican Rally.





Gail Breed provided an update on the number of and types of donations to the Silent Auction and the benefit of having close out times at the color-coded tables.

Guest Speaker Mathew Cheesman, Superintendent of Beaufort County Schools, reviewed the experiences and responses by the school system in 2020 due to COVID restrictions. He credited the contributions by the Rotary Club and Hackney restaurant to provide hot spots to 1,063 facilitating the ability to provide online learning. Regarding summer school for grades K-12, approximately 1,000 students are expected to attend. Also discussed was the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Funds

(ESSER) from the US Federal stimulus funds. They can be used for 2 year hiring for social workers, and other mental health professional and include education technology to address learning loss. The new school year begins August 23,2021 and in Beaufort County will be exclusively classroom training. The schools will offer three hours after school learning to help get students back to meet appropriate grade level skills. The gifted programs with continue and the Governor's requirement for mask wearing will also be followed. If parents and community members are concerned over mask wearing they should reach out to the governor's office. Regarding Critical Race Theory there are no materials and will not be part of the curriculum. However, Mr. Cheesman encouraged parents to review materials and discuss daily school activities with their children. If a concern presents itself, they are to first address it with the teacher, principal and if there is still a concern, they should contact Mr. Cheesman. As time was limited the Chairman thanked Mr. Cheesman and indicated he would be invited back.

Old Busines: None was identified.

New Business

Jodi Forrest discussed two items:

- 1. Friday June 11, 2021 fundraiser for Keith Kidwell identifying the need for volunteers and baked items for the Cake Walk
- 2. July 3,2021 Belhaven Republican Tent for the Belhaven Parade identifying the need for volunteers to hand out water, request donation, sell buttons. A request was made for donations of bottled water.

Steve Rader requested an agenda item for the June meeting to discuss the upcoming Municipal elections and the need to identify Republican candidates who could run.

Chairman Garris requested other locations be identified for monthly EXCOM meetings. Nancy Brickhouse responded by offering Southern Acres of Bath as they do not have planned activities at the site.

Chairman Garris indicated the September guest speaker will be April Wood, a judge of the North Carolina Court of Appeals.

Upcoming Events

Kidwell Fundraising Events: Friday June 15, 2021@ Southern Acres of Bath. Point of Contact is Carolyn Garris

Reagan Republican Rally- Thursday June 24, 2021 Point of Contact is Anne Maatman

3rd District Monthly Meeting: Saturday August 7,2021 hosted by Keith Kidwell at his residence

Republican Tent in Belhaven- Saturday July 3,2021 point of contact is Jody Forrest. Her email is jodyforrest247@gmail.com

The meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Next meeting: Tuesday July 13, 2021 @ 6:30 tentative location: BC Ag Center