

Beaufort County Republican Convention  
Saturday, March 5, 2022  
Southern Acres Bath, NC

10:32am- Chairwoman Carolyn Garris called the convention to order. Officers of the convention were introduced as Secretary McKeller Knox, Chairman of convention moderator Bob Pruett, Time keeper John Rebholtz, Parliamentarian Judge Clint Rowe.

10:35am- Credentials committee is not ready to report.

10:36am- Invocation by Chaplain Linda Taylor.

10:38am- Pledge of Allegiance led by Representative Keith Kidwell

10:42am- Rep. Keith Kidwell discussed what he has done as our representative in Raleigh this term.

10:46am- Commissioner Frankie Waters spoke regarding the Beaufort County Board of Commissioners as the Chairman.

10:48am- Commissioner Stan Deathridge spoke regarding the Beaufort County Board of Commissioners.

10:50am- Convention chairman recognized all elected officials and veterans.

10:50am- Hood Richardson asked if there was an agenda that would be published and presented to the convention attendees. Convention Chair Pruett stated the agenda was published. The agenda will be printed and given to everyone that would like an agenda.

10:52am- Senator Jim Perry discussed the importance of this election.

10:56am- Hood Richardson called a Point of Order that all candidates should be able to speak. The Convention Chair said this will take place later during the convention.

10:57am- Credentials report given by Anne Maatman. Allotted number of delegates to county convention, all delegates present.

10:58am- Hood Richardson called a Point of Order that the delegates present should be read to convention attendees.

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11:00am- Anne Maatman reported all delegates that were present. Final count of delegates present is 64. 33 needed for a majority vote. Super majority (2/3) will be 43.

11:06am- Rules of convention presented. Motion made by Chairman of Rules committee, Jimmie Whichard with a second by Dot Moate. Rules adopted as published.

11:07am- Elect delegates and alternates to 3rd District CD and State Convention. The delegates elected for the 3rd CD convention were recalculated.

11:11am- City Councilman Bobby Robertson spoke about what is taking place in the City of Washington.

11:16am- Anne Maatman with Credentials shared that there are 47 3rd CD delegates and we are allotted 50.

It was asked if you have to be present in order to be a delegate for the district convention. Chairman Pruett stated a letter would need to be presented. Patricia Garrison requested to be added although she is not present today. She will be added. Steve Rader moved for an adoption of the delegation list. Seconded by Frankie Waters.

There is no discussion. All 49 delegates are elected to attend the district convention.

11:21am- Anne Maatman read the names for those who would like to be delegates at the State Convention in Greensboro May 19, 2022- May 22, 2022. There are 27 delegates and a maximum of 50. Steve Rader moved to adopt the state convention delegates and a second by Paul Varcoe. There is no discussion. All 26 delegates are elected to attend the state convention.

11:24am- Chairwoman Carolyn Garris said that during the convention ONLY elected officials will be able to speak at this time and the Meet and Greet after the convention will allow those interested to talk with candidates.

11:25am- Commissioner John Rebholz spoke about his role as a county commissioner and the importance of this year's election.

11:26am- Hood Richardson has a Point of Order that this is not a convention of incumbents and that candidates should be able to speak. Hood moved to insert in the agenda allow candidates to speak that have not yet spoken during the convention, not only during the meet and greet . Seconded by Buzz Catyon.

Hood Richardson spoke in favor of the motion.

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Jodie Forest spoke against the motion.

Anne Maatman spoke in favor of the motion.

Donna Parker spoke in opposition of the motion.

Parliamentarian requested that the vote be counted by individuals standing.

There were 37 voting in favor of making an amendment to the agenda to allow candidates to speak. Candidates present will be given two minutes to speak.

11:36am- Charles Hickman, candidate for School Board 2nd District

spoke. 11:37am- Sheri Clark, candidate for School Board spoke.

11:38am- Tandy Dunn, candidate for County Commissioner spoke.

11:41am- Dawn Brinson Slann, candidate for County Commissioner

spoke. 11:41am- Scott Hammonds, candidate for Sheriff spoke.

11:43am- Ed Hege, candidate for 79th District for NC House spoke.

11:45am- Lindsey Carpenter spoke on behalf of Judge April Wood for State Supreme

Court. 11:47am- Donald Shreve candidate for School Board spoke.

11:49am- Convention Chairman asked for any additional resolutions.

Hood Richardson spoke on his resolution on Unaffiliated Voters. His resolution reads as follows:

"Individuals registered as UNAFFILIATED not be invited to vote in the 2022 Republican primary elections. This resolution to be presented at the Third District and State Republican Party conventions."

The Convention Chairman spoke regarding this resolution.

Hood Richardson made the motion with Keith Kidwell and John Rebholz as a second.

Jackie Van Essdendelft spoke in opposition of the resolution.

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Keith Kidwell spoke for the resolution.

Dot Moate spoke in opposition of the resolution.

Stan Deatheridge spoke for the resolution.

Discussion is closed at this time.

There are 38 voted in favor to pass the resolution. The resolution passed.

Chairman Pruett asked for permission to reword the resolution and Hood Richardson approved Chairman Pruett to reword the resolution as he finds necessary.

12:05pm- Eric Earhart, candidate for 3rd CD Congressman spoke.

12:09pm- 50/50 Raffle raised a total of \$400, with \$200 going to the winner, Jonathan Sawyer, who donated his winnings to the Inner Banks Young Republicans.

12:11pm- Chairman Carolyn Garris recognized elected officials, volunteers, and committee members. Chairman thanked everyone for their support and gave Chairman's awards to Anne Maatman and Jody Forrest.

12:20pm- The convention was adjourned by Convention Chairman Bob Pruett.