

**Officers**

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Anne Maatman, Treasurer

Linda Taylor, Chaplain

## MINUTES

### Executive Committee Meeting

6:30 pm, Tuesday, February 8, 2022

Republican Headquarters, 844 Washington Plaza, Washington, NC

Chair Garris called the meeting to order, asking all to silence their phones. Chaplain Taylor gave the invocation.

Representative Keith Kidwell addressed the group. The battle between the GOP and Dems continues on redistricting and voter ID. Kidwell's goal is to redraw the districts a little so that they'll get through the courts. (see WRAL article for strategy details) He also encourages us to concentrate on November:

**3-2-1!**

3 additional seats in the House  
2 additional seats in the Senate  
1 additional seat on the NC Supreme Court

Judge Richard Dietz, a candidate for NC Supreme Court judge, addressed the group and stated it's not about "We the Judges" but "We the People." He distributed his card and shared his slogan, "Get on your feet and vote for Dietz!"

Hood Richardson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A quorum was met with 21 members present. 15 guests and 2 elected officials were also present.

<i>In Attendance</i>	<i>Excused Absence</i>	<i>Visitors</i>	<i>Ex Officio</i>
Diane Ahearn	Gail Breed	Jonathan Sawyer	Keith Kidwell
Ruth Cauvin	Buzz Cayton	Donna Wortman	Hood Richardson
Nanci Colleary	Joyce Coward	David French	
Stan Deatherage	Dolores Morgan	Scarlet Stokes	
Tandy Dunn	William Cook	Paige Peed	
Joanne Forrest		Jason Hall	
Carolyn Garris		Richard Dietz	
Patricia Garrison		Donna Henderson	
Charles Hickman		Dallas Dawson	
Joseph Knox		Scott Hammonds	
Anne Maatman		John Wehrenberg	
Dot Moate		Sheri Clark	
Steven Rader		Donna Parker	
John Rebholz		Sean Chilson	
Shirley Richardson		Harvey West	
Bobby Roberson			
Linda Taylor			
Paul Varcoe			
Frank Waters			

Kathy Waters			
Jimmie Whichard			

The minutes of November 9, 2021, were approved as amended. (Motion by Tandy Dunn, second by Steve Rader)

The treasurer's report presented by Anne Maatman was received for information.



## Financial Report

*Election Cycle 2021-2022*  
March 6 - December 31, 2021



### Balances as of December 31, 2021

	Party	Building Fund	Total
Beginning Balance	\$1,816.73	\$3,616.66	\$ 5,433.39
Receipts	\$38,868.82	\$11,543.25	\$ 50,412.07
Expenses	(\$22,572.35)	(\$4,944.05)	(\$ 27,516.40)
Totals	\$18,113.20	\$10,215.86	\$ 28,329.06

### Categorized

	Income	Expenses	Total NET	Net in PARTY ACCT	Net in BLDG ACCT
Begin Balances	\$5,433.39		\$5,433.39	\$1,816.73	\$3,616.66
RRR	\$23,069.23	-\$11,312.77	\$11,756.46	\$8,831.46	\$2,925.00
Flag Pins Sales	\$140.00	-\$54.52	\$85.48	\$85.48	
Golf Tourney	\$19,879.94	-\$10,473.82	\$9,406.12	\$7,621.12	\$1,785.00
Municipal Candidates	\$325.00	-\$1,023.37	-\$698.37	-\$698.37	
50/50 Raffle	\$90.00		\$90.00	\$90.00	
General	\$1,092.90	-\$726.12	\$366.78	\$366.78	
Pie Sales	\$415.00	-\$180.70	\$234.30		\$234.30
Basket Raffle	\$1,150.00	-\$2.05	\$1,147.95		\$1,147.95
Hot Dog Sale	\$165.00		\$165.00		\$165.00
Bldg Rent	\$3,500.00	-\$2,100.00	\$1,400.00		\$1,400.00
Donations for Equip	\$585.00		\$585.00		\$585.00
Utilities		-\$526.02	-\$526.02		-\$526.02
Office Equip		-\$906.91	-\$906.91		-\$906.91
Office Exp		-\$210.12	-\$210.12		-\$210.12
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$50,412.07</b>	<b>-\$27,516.40</b>	<b>\$22,895.67</b>	<b>\$18,113.20</b>	<b>\$10,215.86</b>

### Balances as of February 8, 2022

	Party	Building Fund	Total
Dec 31 Balance	\$18,113.20	\$10,215.86	\$ 28,329.06
Receipts	\$ 111.80	\$0	\$ 111.80
Expenses	(\$ 65.91)	(\$ 928.02)	(\$ 993.93)
Feb 8 Balance	\$18,159.09	\$9,287.84	\$ 27,446.93

### Building Budget Report

	Amount Budgeted	Prorated to 2.8.2022	Actual 2.8.2022
Income	\$ 21,307.00	\$ 4,962.40	\$ 8,427.35
Expenses			
WATER & ELECTRIC & GAS	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 745.28	\$ (754.04)
PHONE	\$ 210.00	\$ 48.91	
INTERNET	\$ 420.00	\$ 97.82	
RENT	\$ 9,800.00	\$ 2,282.42	\$ (2,800.00)
EQUIPMENT	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 349.35	\$ (906.91)
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 349.35	\$ (210.12)
RENTER'S INSURANCE	\$ 350.00	\$ 81.52	
	\$ 16,980.00	\$ 1,212.86	
<b>NET</b>	<b>\$ 4,327.00</b>		<b>\$ 3,756.28</b>

John Rebholz reported for the Fundraising Committee. With a robust fundraising plan, we have the potential to have a total of \$35,000 available to assist candidates. 2022 golf outing is set for May 14 and the Reagan Rally/Dinner is planned for the fall. Rebholz circulates a sign-up sheet for people willing to contact sponsors for these events. Comments:

- Steve Rader voiced concern about a weak turnout at Reagan Dinner if held after the primary and suggested having it before the primary and including a straw poll.

- Hood Richardson shared that candidates tend to campaign in the Eastern part of our state in the spring.
- Steve Rader suggested a raffle for historic coins conducted during the County/District/State Conventions.

Chair Garris asked the Fundraising committee to reconsider the events and dates and report back within two weeks (The urgent time frame due to the lead time required to execute successful events).

Donna Wortman and Jason Hall were introduced as candidates for open seats on the Executive Committee. Their letters of intent are attached to these minutes. There are currently 7 openings on the committee. Filling these seats will be part of the business of the upcoming County Convention.

The chair reported two resignations received. Gail Breed resigned as Secretary on January 5. Donna Simon resigned as Assistant Secretary on February 5. Therefore we have a vacancy that needs to be filled promptly. Anne Maatman has agreed to serve as Interim Secretary until the county convention on March 5, while continuing to serve as Treasurer.

The chair requested nominations of committed individuals to complete the secretary's term from March 2022-March 2023. To serve as secretary, membership in the Executive Committee is not required. The election will take place at the county convention. As no nominations were made, Steve Rader suggested that all members work to recruit persons to be nominated at the County Convention.

The chair announced the plans for Precinct Officers Training on Saturday, February 26, 2022, at 10 am at Republican Headquarters. This one-hour training is geared to streamline the work of the precinct officers at the Precinct Meetings on March 6. All Beaufort County Republicans are welcome.

The chair announced that the Precinct Meetings/Republican Convention/Candidate Meet and Greet is set for Saturday, March 5, 2022, at Southern Acres, Bath. She asked those in attendance to encourage voters and candidates to attend. The timetable is as follows:

8:30 am	Registration
9:00 – 10:00 am	Precinct Meetings
10:30 am – 12:00 noon	County Convention
12:00 noon –	Meet & Greet Candidates

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- Steve Rader asked about the meeting with Republican members of the Beaufort County School Board that didn't happen due to a case of COVID. Chair Garris agreed to work on rescheduling it.
- Paul Varcoe reported that during February our office is open 10 am – 2 pm Mondays-Fridays. In March, hours will be extended to Mondays/Wednesdays/Fridays 10 am – 5 pm, Tuesdays/Thursdays 10 am - 7 pm, and Saturdays 10 am - 4 pm. He encouraged volunteers to contact Jody Forest.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- Jody Forrest showed the flags and t-shirts available for sale at Headquarters.

- Per the Fundraising Committee's recommendation, the committee approved \$500 seed money for purchasing products to sell at Headquarters. (Motion by Steve Rader, second by John Rebholz)
- Patricia Garrison moved that the Executive Committee consider promoting Republican candidates in the Primary phase possibly via a survey with answers published on our website. After much discussion, Garrison withdrew the motion and moved to form a committee to recommend how to promote candidates in the Primary phase with an interim report at the March convention and a final recommendation at our April meeting. Steve Rader seconded. Motion failed 8-7.
- Steve Rader reported that the GOP platform will be part of the business of the District Convention. He asked us to review the current platform (website) and make suggestions for changes/deletions/additions to him by Saturday, February 12, when the platform committee will meet.

Chair Garriss shared this list of upcoming events.

- Monday, Feb 7, 2022 – Board of Commissioners Meeting, 5:30 pm, 136 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street
- Saturday, February 12, 2022 - Beaufort County Republican Women's Club Meeting, 10 am, Winds of Change Church, Bath
- Monday, Feb 14, 2022 – Washington City Council Meeting, 5:30 pm, 102 E 2<sup>nd</sup> Street
- Tuesday, Feb 15, 2022 - Board of Education Meeting, 5:30 pm
- Thursday, Feb 24, 2022 – Police Committee Meeting – 6:00 pm, 136 W. 2nd Street
- Saturday, Feb 26, 2022 – Precinct Officers Training, 10 am, Republican Headquarters
- Tuesday, March 1, 2022 - Board of Education Meeting, 5:30 pm (Planning Meeting)
- Saturday, March 5, 2022 – Precinct Meetings/Convention/Candidate Meet and Greet
- Monday, March 7, 2022 – Board of Commissioners Meeting, 5:30 pm, 136 W. 2nd Street
- Monday, March 14, 2022 - Washington City Council Meeting, 5:30 pm, 102 E 2nd Street
- Tuesday, March 15, 2022 - Board of Education Meeting, 5:30 pm, Public Meeting
- Saturday, March 26, 2022 - Beaufort County Republican Women's Club Meeting, 10 am, Winds of Change Church, Bath
- Monday, April 4, 2022 – Board of Commissioners Meeting, 5:30 pm, 136 W. 2nd Street
- Tuesday, April 12, 2022 – Executive Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm, Republican Headquarters

Meeting Adjourned. (Tandy Dunn moved, Paul Varcoe seconded)