

**October 12, 2021, Beaufort County Republican Party
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Beaufort County Republican Headquarters
844 W. 15th Street
Washington, NC 27889**

Chair Garris called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. Invocation was graciously given by Pastor Linda Taylor. Quorum was established with twenty-four (24) EXCOMM Members in attendance. See table below for attendance.

Executive Committee Member Attendance: October, 12, 2021			
Present		Excused Absence	
Last Name	First Name	Last Name	First Name
Adkins	Loretta	Breed	Gail
Ahearn	Ina Diane	Brickhouse	Nancy
Cauvin	Ruth	Brickhouse Norman	Lori
Coward	Joyce	Colleary	Nanci
Deatherage	Stan	Cook	William
Dunn	Tandy	Knox	Joseph
Forrest	Joanne	Roberson	Bobby
Garris	Carolyn	Rose	Charlie
Garrison	Patricia	Trueblood	Michael
Hickman	Charles	Waters	Frank
Maatman	Anne	Waters	Kathy
Moate	Doris		
Morgan	Dolores		
Moore	Brodie		
Rader	Steven		
Rebholz	John		
Richardson	Hood		
Richardson	Shirley		
Simon	Donna		
Taylor	Linda		
Varcoe	Paul		
Whichard	Jimmie		

Public Attendees	
Last Name	First Name
Briley	Elaine
Clark	David
Clark	Mrs.
French	David
Hall	Jason
Hardison	Tanya
Hardison	Tina (Martina)
Peed	Paige
Slann	Dawn

Meeting minutes for September 21, 2021, were approved.

Special Guest speaker, Trey Allen for NC Supreme Court Judge, provided information on his background and experience. Chief Justice Newby is his boss. Explained his role as Chief Counsel - has 10 attorneys on his team. His role is issue guidance. Explained the current construct of the Supreme Court and how liberal judges have a moving Constitution. Allen is an originalist. He is from Lumberton and Robeson County. He has 5 children (4 boys/1 girl). His wife homeschools to share their Christian faith. He served in the USMC. (Iraqi Freedom); comes from a Military family. He was a law clerk for Justice Newby for 1-2 years. His handles all types, but especially litigation and constitutional law. He was a Professor UNC Chapel Hill - School of Government Powers - local Muni's. He wrote a piece opposing Gov. Cooper's request asking them to mandate financial penalties to those who oppose his mask mandates. Next year 2 out of 4 seats are up. Need a 5/2. Was asked about Voter ID. Slogan: Don't go astray, VOTE FOR TREY!

Dot Moate challenged Quorum from last meeting. Steve Rader explained that once a Quorum is established, it is recorded. Moved: John Rebholz. 2nd: Donna Simon. Dot Moate opposed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Anne Maatman announced current balances. Party: \$18,063.33. Bldg Fund: \$7,771.66

Moved: Donna Simon. 2nd. Steve Rader

Patricia Garrison moved to allocate \$500 for Bobby Roberson / \$100 for Donna Wortman/\$100 Donald Shreve.

Motion: Patricia. 2nd Donna Simon

Population Bath: 269, Washington: 9,744. Donna Wortman expressed her appreciation for the \$100. Steve Rader offered a suggestion that if the \$500 allocated for Bobby Roberson be spent by the BCGOP as an independent mailer pointing out that he is the sole Republican running. He also offered \$200 to add to it. Hood Richardson also offered a contribution of \$100 if the \$500 goes to an independent mailer. Stan Deatherage offered free artwork.

Motion: Steve Rader, 2nd: Tandy Dunn, UNANIMOUS

GOLF TOURNAMENT UPDATE

Golf Tournament scheduled for October 16, 2021. Anne Maatman advised that golfers, sponsors will be accepted until Saturday. Donna Simon read the \$100 offer for elected officials/candidates.

BCGOP HEADQUARTERS

Chair Garris negotiated the price of the rental of Washington Plaza from \$1000 to \$700. The landlord will allow a month to month. That is a great thing financially.

Chair Garris explained that several members and Executive Leadership have been to numerous places. Some were too small; one was currently inhabitable and others were too expensive. She explained that the Dem's are on the ground already and that we need to establish a home for the BCGOP and start our ground game ASAP. We need to grow the party, grow our volunteers, DTD, Phone Banks and UNITE. We need to gear up for 2021, 2022 and 2024. The Washington Plaza location will allow signs, will put our name on the marquis and the parking lot to be used. Buzz stated that he knows real estate and suggested that the Chair offer \$500, if the landlord gets more, than we will move to another location. Chair Garris said that she knows the landlord and tried for \$600 but that \$700 is as low as we can get for the space. (Large meeting area, Chairwoman's office, storage, 2 bathrooms, kitchen area). Dot questioned utility costs. Chair answered that she did not know due to the fact that no one has occupied the space in a while. Jason Hall from Washington Crab offered to donate one month's rent! Shirley Richardson asked if we could do \$500 and ask the landlord to give \$200 in kind. Chair Garris reiterated the negotiated price. Loretta Adkins asked why Jim and Sherry Womack's District has more volunteers and that if we are serious about having a strong Republican presence, we need a Republican Headquarters. Jody Forrest added that people come in who have questions, pick up signs, give donations, volunteers etc. Our headquarters is a destination; a place to meet. Chair Garris announced that Jody Forrest will be the BCGOP Office Manager of Republican Headquarters.

Motion: Loretta Adkins, 2nd. Jody Forrest. Opposed: Anne Maatman/Dot Moate/Ruth Cauvin

Stan Deatherage won the prize drawing.

Steve Rader will be putting together a coalition for CRT.

Hood Richardson resigned from his position as a voting member of the Executive Committee but that he shall continue to exercise his Executive Committee members privileges as an elected Republican in BC and still desires to be notified of all Executive Committee meetings.

Dot Moate won the raffle and donated it back to the Party.

Joyce brought up school mandating vaccines and asked that everyone educate themselves. She handed out literature. Steve Rader stated that several countries have stopped distributing the vaccines due to myocarditis.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:08 p.m.

Next meeting: November 9, 2021, at BCGOP headquarters.