

Sussex County Republican

Executive Committee Meeting

Cheer Center – Georgetown, DE

June 12, 2017

MEETING MINUTES

- ✚ CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Billy Carroll at 6:34 pm. There was a quorum of 37 members, with 7 guests in attendance.
- ✚ INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: 37th EDC Wally Stevenson
- ✚ APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by 38th RDC Bob Lawless to accept as amended. Approved.
- ✚ WELCOME OF ELECTED OFFICIALS: State Party Secretary and Ocean View Councilwoman Carol Bodine
- ✚ TREASURER'S REPORT:
 - Reviewed, with some questions. Motion by 39th EDC Pete Bohn to table until next meeting so questions can be addressed directly to Treasurer.
- ✚ SECRETARY'S REPORT: Secretary Linda Creasy. Motion to approve minutes of 4/10/17 by 14th EDC Duke Brooks. Motion carried.
 - Announcement that 14th EDC Ed Anguish has moved to the 37th RD. He will now become the EDC for the 5th of the 37th, which has been agreed upon by both RDCs. Request from Secretary to approve without objection. Motion carried.
- ✚ CONFIRMATIONS/NOMINATIONS:
 - Confirmed as EDCs:
 - 37th – John McKenna
 - 37th – Sue McKenna
 - 38th – Tom Molnar
- ✚ CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:
 - Moment of silence for recently deceased EDC Bruce Fitzgerald
 - Review of SB5. Motion by Bob Lawless, second by Tom Molnar for SCEC (via Chairman) to send note to all elected thanking them for their opposition to SB5. Motion carried.
 - Recap of Marijuana Bill – sent letter to Colin Bonini (at his request) to withdraw his name from sponsorship of the bill. He has been very ill, and has not done so yet. However, the bill is “dead in the water” for now.
 - Update re: State Chairman Mike Harrington. Huge population growth in Sussex County will likely result in 2-4 new RDs. This will necessitate action in three areas:
 - Need group to contact people as they are settling on their homes
 - Need group to contact 16 – 18 year olds. These can be registered now, as long as they will be of voting age by the next election.
 - Need structured communications effort
 - Registration Contest – explanation, with flyer handed out at meeting.
 - Would like to have a Rally for Trump on Georgetown Circle with as much media presence as possible, guest speaker, participation by other groups, etc. Following discussion, committee

agreed to hold rally on 9/9 or 9/16, depending on availability of speaker. Final decision will rest with the Chairman

- Need list of events that we can attend (not just Republican). Need to circulate through crowd, ask if they support Trump, and if so, get them registered as Republicans.
- ROM – May: Stan King, June: Recipient not in attendance, award deferred to next meeting.

✚ UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Communications Committee – Sandra Fennell, Chairman
 - Introduced other members of committee – Ed Anguish, Bill Gorton, Bob Lawless, Greg Strong
 - Goal – develop process to communicate effectively with the public, other groups and legislators, through multiple channels, to further the interests of the Republican Party.
 - Will have full presentation at the next Executive Committee meeting

✚ NEW BUSINESS:

- Chairman Billy Carroll – HQ landlord received funds to paint/improve the building. In so doing, our old logo was painted over. Landlord approached Billy with a proposed new design for mural at a cost of \$659. Billy approved the design and has noted that this cost is considerably less than what we would expect to pay. Seeking approval by the EC to pay the bill of \$659. Motion by Bob Lawless, second by Tom Molnar to pay. Motion carried.

✚ COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE PARTY:

- 14th RDC Laurie Purdy – 14th district entered a float in the Irish Eyes St. Patrick's Day Parade in Lewes, and received the award for best float.

✚ ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- SCRWC –6/28 meeting will have investigative journalist from DC speaking on human trafficking. Cost will be \$30.
- EDC Frank Ali – Baywood Fourth of July Party – 7/3. Pig roast, band, open bar, fireworks. All are invited. Tix purchased through SCRP will have an additional \$10 charge, which will be a donation to the committee. This will be thoroughly explained and transparent when tix are purchased in this manner.

✚ MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion to adjourn by Nelly Jordan at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Creasy, Secretary