

Fayette County Republican Party

Executive Board Minutes

March 12, 2024

The Fayette County Georgia Republican Party Executive Board convened at 7:00 p.m. on March 12, 2024. The invocation was given by Windy Blair and the pledge was led by her as well.

Roll Call: First Vice Chairman Dr. William Yarde, Second Vice Chairman Sherry Harris, Third Vice Chairman Walt Hanley, Treasurer Pily Oddo, Assistant Secretary Windy Blair, were present. Chairman Elaine Kilgore was on vacation and Secretary Cathy Vaught was absent due to a commitment at the Fayette County Board of Elections office. Cathy Vaught sent in a proxy to Windy Blair. Windy filled in as secretary in place of Cathy. Randy Ognio, Immediate Past Chair, and Rod Owens, Assistant Treasurer, were absent from the meeting.

Approval of the Agenda: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Sherry Harris and seconded by Walt Hanley. The motion was approved.

Approval of the Minutes: A motion was made by Dr. William Yarde to approve the minutes from the February 13, 2024 meeting and was approved by Pily Oddo.

Chairman's Commentary: There was no Chairman's Commentary since Chairman Elaine Kilgore was on vacation.

Treasurer's Report: Total income for the month of February 2024 was \$4,785.35 which was lower than February 2023 income of \$5,557.76. Net ordinary income for February 2024 was \$168.25 as compared to \$2,198.16 in February 2023. This was due to expenses of the County Convention, advertising/promotion, and increases in our utilities. February 2024 total expenses were \$4,617.10 brought the total net ordinary income down to - \$772.41. Total assets (Liabilities and Equity) for February 2024 totaled

\$28,396.34 as compared to \$19,172.94 in February 2023. Current cash assets total \$9,073.40 and is similar to February 2023 which was \$9,223.40. The increase in assets is an all-cash increase. A total amount of \$182 in donations was also received in February 2024. Pily also added she sent flowers to Jan Horne, due to the death of her husband. A motion was made by Dr. William Yarde to approve the Treasurer's Report. This motion was seconded by Sherry Harris.

Secretary's Commentary: None

VC Commentaries:

First Vice Chair Report: Rentals have been slow in February 2024. Election process ended the day of our meeting and Dr. Yarde congratulated the Poll Worker and Poll Watchers who participated. The deadline (March 8, 2024) for political candidate registration was met and the amount earned will be discussed in the upcoming March 2024 Treasurer's report. Mark and Rosemary Tennant, and Luis Sample helped with the upkeep of the event center during the candidate registration process. The upcoming County Convention will be held on March 23, 2024, at the Peachtree City Christian Church.

Second Vice Chair Report: All members are now listed in Anedot directly. In September we will announce a new fee schedule to launch in October, giving a discount for using Anedot and choosing automatic enrollment. Consideration is being given to the individual and family fees. The FCRP website is now being managed by Angela Bean with Sherry Harris and Walt Hanley assisting. Improvements are continuing to be made in the front office. The contents are now organized but still need to be cleaned out. The office is staffed throughout the week but still need a few more volunteers. A goal for the office is a better display for literature and a message board. Trump gear is in and beginning to sell. Thirteen (13) candidates were qualified in the past 2 weeks and \$8535 was received for the FCRP.

Third Vice Chair Report: The lock on the door quit working and Walt purchased a new lock for \$300 and was able to transfer the codes to it. There have been anomalies in Poll Watchers count and the Secretary of State data during early voting. The election office should be posting data daily on number of early voting ballots received but when Sharlene Alexander asked Gary Rower about this matter, he reported it was not feasible but would be posted by the next day at 10a.m. during early voting. Walt Hanley suggested a referral discount for subsequent rentals for individuals who refer new renters to the center.

Old Business: There was a motion made by Sherry Harris to approve access for Assistant Treasurer Rod Owen to view checking account activity in Treasurer Pily Oddo's absence. This was seconded by Walt Hanley. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business: Sherry Harris made a motion that in the coming months she and other volunteers begin organizing the kitchen and storage room. This motion was seconded by Dr. William Yarde. The motion passed unanimously. Sherry also re-stated our need for a budget. Pily will send Sherry the past 12 months of the Treasurer's reports and Sherry will put in a spreadsheet to help us begin discussing a set budget.

A motion was made by Dr. Yarde to approve the purchase of five light shades at \$49.50 each plus tax for up to \$300.00. It was seconded by Sherry Harris. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Walt Hanley to approve the purchase of three Lifetime tables for approximately \$1200.00, and was seconded by Sherry Harris. The motion passed.

A motion was made to approve the proposed County Convention rules that had already been approved once by the County Committee. It was not approved. A motion was made to table the previous motion.

Sherry Harris mentioned that when the Executive Board votes via electronic means, that the number of "Yeas" and "Nays" should be recorded.

Motion to Adjourn: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Sherry Harris and seconded by Walt Hanley

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:17p.m.

WINDY BLAIR

Assistant Secretary

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