

Fayette County GA Republican Party

Executive Board Minutes

May 9, 2023

The Fayette County GA Republican Party Executive Board met on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, at 7:00 pm. Present were Chairman Elaine Kilgore, First Vice Chair Dr. William Yarde, Second Vice Chair Sherry Harris, Third Vice Chair Walt Hanley, Treasurer Pily Oddo, Assistant Treasurer Rod Owen, Secretary Cathy Vaught, Assistant Secretary Windy Blair and Immediate Past Chairman Randy Ognio.

A summary of the audit report conducted in April 2023 was provided. A complete audit report was unable to be conducted due to a lack of current records as well as those from previous years. All available records of revenues and expenses were included in the audit.

Recommendations for an annual audit to be conducted every April plus procedures to be included in the party by-laws were made. Reasonable confidence in the Balance Sheet Asset and Liability Totals adjusted as of February 28, 2023, was expressed by auditor Sharlene Alexander. The February 28, 2023 Profit and Loss as well as the Post Audit Balance sheets for the period March 1, 2022 – February 28, 2023, were provided by Treasurer Pily Oddo.

Pily also gave the Treasurer's Report for April 2023. The Profit and Loss statement showed a total income of \$2,500 with actual monthly expenses totaling \$3,14. 83, leaving a total net income of minus \$641.07. The Balance Sheet showed total current assets of \$ 19, 564.45, and, with other assets added, a total liability and equity of \$20,964.45.

First Vice Chair Report: Dr. Yarde reported on the newspaper ad campaign status, his work with Dennis Odile and Third Vice Chair Walt Hanley on a more precise donor list and getting assistance negotiating with major donors. Dr. Yarde expressed the need for people to assist in fundraising strategies and managing the Event Center rentals. He also mentioned inviting Mr.

Jay Coston, a marketing strategist to the Precinct Training Meeting on May 25, 2023, to discuss attracting minority voters.

Second Vice Chair Report: Sherry Harris said that the Event Center page was getting some traffic. She also mentioned the new private page for the Rules Committee as well as a volunteer page. Sherry also said there were about 1100 old emails to go through and compile membership information data.

Third Vice Chair Report: Walt Hanley mentioned a possible vacancy in Precinct 31 with the impending resignation of Precinct Chair George Uhrin. He also mentioned the precinct training sessions held in April and scheduled for May 25. A request was made for a private Precinct Chair page on the FCRP website, where training materials and other pertinent information can be accessed. Walt also mentioned the ongoing restructuring efforts of the Rules Committee.

Motions Made:

A motion was made by Randy Ognio to approve the minutes meeting plus amendments from the last. Sherry Harris seconded the motion and the motion passed.

A motion was made to approve the purchase of a new Oreck vacuum cleaner at a cost of \$275.40 for the Fayette Event Center.

There was a discussion with various motions about how to address the status of Fayette Event Center manager Greg Clifton. It was generally agreed that Greg's responsibilities should be limited to setting up and taking down, cleaning and maintenance. He would no longer be responsible for deposits and rentals. Writing a letter to him explaining this and drawing up a contract for him were also suggested.

A motion was made for Pily and seconded by Dr. Yarde to send Greg a letter by registered mail asking him to outline his duties as he understood them. A contract would be drawn up based on his responses. This motion did not carry.

A motion was made by Pily to send Greg an email asking him to outline his duties with a response due before the next meeting. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Pily to approve the reimbursement of two flags and some hats purchased by Denise Ognio for a total of \$45.00, to sell monthly. The motion carried.

After discussion of old and new business, a motion was made by Sherry Harris to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Sherry Harris. The motion carried.

Fellow board members, I wanted to furnish better minutes than these. I make no excuses! Since our last board meeting, Elaine has purchased a tape recorder which I will use from now on to record our proceedings. It should prove helpful. Thank you for your understanding.

CATHY VAUGHT

FCRP Secretary