

## **Augusta County Republican Committee Unit Meeting**

May 21, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.

Augusta County Government Center

Verona, Virginia

The Augusta County Republican Committee was called to order by Chairwoman Rebecca Simmons at 7:05 pm.

Invocation was given by Dr. Roller. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Steven Rea. The Republican Creed was led by Rebecca Simmons.

A motion was made by Georgia Long to adopt the agenda; it was seconded and passed. There were no proxies. A quorum was declared with a total of 27 members present.

Approval of new members and reinstatement of membership:

Ben Carter

Barbara Roller

Denise Fisher

Mike Fisher

Approval of unit meeting minutes:

Dr. Roller made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes; Seconded by Kirk Barley and passed.

Motion by Georgia Long to approve the April 16, 2019 meeting minutes; Seconded by Dr. Roller and motion passed.

### **CHAIRMAN/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**CHAIRMAN REPORT:** Georgia Long gave the report on the party canvas. After expenses were paid, \$1500 was donated to the Chris Runion's campaign. Rebecca then provided an update on the outcomes of the recent Mass Meetings for BOS with Steve Morelli winning the Republican nomination for South River BOS and Jeff Slaven willing the nomination for the North River BOS. Rebecca also reminded the Committee about Ruth Talmage's recent sudden resignation from the Electoral Board. Rebecca recently received confirmation that the Augusta County Circuit Court Judge followed her recommendation and appointed Georgia Long to this important position. Rebecca and the Committee thanked Georgia for assuming this role.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Kirk Barley reported a starting balance of \$3895.28 and an

ending balance of \$6947.31. Jack Dull made the motion to accept the treasurer's report. Motion passed.

VICE-CHAIR OF PROGRAMS: Scott McMurrain was not present so Gloria Stump discussed ideas and logistics for the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade and requested volunteers. A sign up sheet was circulated.

VICE-CHAIR OF COMMUNICATIONS: Denise Kelly ask for members to assist with our Facebook page.

VICE-CHAIR OF PRECINCTS: Scott Cline gave an update on the various precinct needs for the June 11 primaries.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Rules & resolutions – no report

Search Committee (for secretary position) – No one has volunteered to serve in this position. If interested, see one of the committee members: Scott Seaton, Jimmy Brenneman or Gloria Stump.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

## NEW BUSINESS

Plans for HQ – a location has been identified on Rt. 11 near the Ingleside Pro Shop. Rent is \$375/mo plus internet and utilities. It will be needed July – Nov.

The following people have volunteered to cover 1-month rent:

- Chris Runion
- Tom Sheets
- Charlie Obaugh

Gloria Stump made a motion to approve funding for the location. Motion passed.

Ordering Merchandise – There was a discussion regarding the purchase of merchandise such as hats and shirts to support the upcoming election. The Executive Committee motioned to approve \$750 for this expense, and then use money generated from the purchase of that merchandise to buy more. Motion seconded and passed.

Voter Registration – Daryl Borquist from the Rockingham Voter registration will be attending the ACRC June meeting.

## CANDIDATE FORUM

The following people addressed the committee:

- Tina Freitas
- John Avoli
- Chris Runion
- Ronnie Campbell
- Neil Kester
- Steve Landes (by Josh Law)

## REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF GREATER AUGUSTA

The next meeting will be a dinner meeting June 20 at 6:30 pm at the Beach House at Shenandoah Acres.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

Gerald Garber gave an update on activities of the BOS.

The next meeting will be June 18

## ADJOURNMENT

Scott Seaton made a motion to adjourn. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
*Pam Carter, Acting Secretary*