Chairman Matt Rinaldi called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. CDT.

Parliamentarian Richard Hayes gave the invocation. Britton Brooks, SD 30, led the SREC in singing “The Star-Spangled Banner,” and Dr. Milinda Morris, SD 13, led the Pledge to the United States flag. Janis Holt, SD 3, led the SREC in singing “Texas, Our Texas,” and Mike Monreal, SD 21, led the Pledge to the Texas flag.

Chairman Rinaldi appointed the following members to the Proxy Committee: Carmen Calderone, SD 27, Chair; Ken Moore, SD 11; and Toni Treviño, SD 21. At the time of the roll call, four proxies were found to be in order.

The Secretary called the roll. Members were present unless otherwise noted in the Minutes.

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Without objection, Chairman Rinaldi appointed three members to a Tellers Committee: Rachel Horton, SD 30, Chair; Howard Barker, SD 18; and Andrew Eller, SD 24.

In a single round, by majority vote, five candidates were elected: Jerry Fisher, Gwen Withrow, Deborah Kelting Fite, Susan Fountain, and Matt Patrick. Following the election, Chairman Rinaldi appointed Jon Ker, SD 22, and Steve Evans, SD 28, to the Officials Committee.

Without objection, the SREC adjourned at 7:20 p.m. to reconvene the next day at 9:00 a.m. CDT.

Respectfully submitted,

Vergel B. Cruz, Secretary
Republican Party of Texas – State Republican Executive Committee  
Third Quarter 2022 Minutes – September 24, 2022  
Wyndham Garden Austin – 3401 South Interstate Highway 35, Austin, TX 78741

Chairman Matt Rinaldi called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. CDT.

Chaplain Jeremy Story gave the invocation. Jerry Fisher, SD 2, in memory of our departed colleague Chris McDonald, led the SREC in singing “The Star-Spangled Banner.”

The Secretary called the roll. Members were present unless otherwise noted in the Minutes.

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SD 26   Karen Marshall, present by proxy Quico Canseco; then
        present herself from 9:34 a.m.
SD 26   Quico Canseco
SD 27   Morgan Graham
SD 27   Carmen Calderone
Steve Evans, SD 28, moved that the SREC forgo the reading of the Minutes from the following SREC meetings: Pre-Convention Meeting, June 15, 2022; Organizational Meeting, June 18, 2022; Special Meeting, August 16, 2022 (open session portion); and Special Meeting, September 14, 2022. The motion passed, and the Minutes stood approved as submitted.

Next, the SREC heard Officer Reports from National Committeeman Dr. Robin Armstrong, Vice Chairman Dr. Dana Myers, and Chairman Rinaldi.

The SREC ratified the following County Chair appointments made by Chairman Rinaldi without objection:

- Briscoe: Timothy Kent
- Brooks: Jessica Lopez
- Coleman: Bridget Wakefield
- Concho: Cathy Ator
- Crosby: Melanie Snodgrass
- Dallam: Selene Schumacher
- Deaf Smith: Jared Blankenship
- Glasscock: Mandie McIlroy
- Gonzales: Liz Hernandez
- Hartley: Mike Thompson
- Kenedy: Jill Brown
- King: Kelsey Winslow
- Lynn: John Baker
- Milam: Warren Matous
- Motley: Gary Stone
- Runnels: Liz O'Conner
- San Augustine: Arthur Bedford
- Somervell: Julia Douglas
- Sterling: Andrew Helms
- Throckmorton: Kena Whitfield
- Val Verde: Sharon Petitt
- Winkler: Shawna Doran
Without objection, the SREC confirmed Chairman Rinaldi’s appointments of Adolpho Telles, SD 29, to the Platform Advocacy special committee and the following members to the Legislative Priorities standing committee:

- Dr. Jon Spiers: Secure the Border
- Brent Smith: Secure the Border
- Dave Carter: Secure the Border
- George Rodriguez: Secure the Border
- Forest Davis: Ban Democrat Chairs
- Patrick Wamhoff: Ban Democrat Chairs
- Cindy Castilla: Ban Gender Modification of Children
- Jonathan Covey: Ban Gender Modification of Children
- Diana Richards: Ban Gender Modification of Children
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- Debbie Simmons: Stop Sexualizing Texas Kids
- Mary Elizabeth Castle: Stop Sexualizing Texas Kids
- Melissa Beckett: Stop Sexualizing Texas Kids
- Monica Kline: Stop Sexualizing Texas Kids
- Wesley Virdell: Defend Our Gun Rights
- Patrick Wamhoff: Defend Our Gun Rights
- Teresa Beckmeyer: Parental Rights and Educational Freedom

Without objection, the SREC entered into executive session at 10:01 a.m. The SREC proceeded in executive session until 10:21 a.m.

When the open meeting resumed, the SREC heard the report of the Officials Committee. Chairman Rinaldi reported that, pursuant to the decision of the Officials Committee on August 25, 2022, a mediation among members of the Montgomery County Executive Committee was scheduled for September 30.

The SREC then heard reports from other standing committees.

Susan Wright, SD 10, joined by Vergel Cruz, gave the report of the Candidate Resource Committee. Susan Fountain, SD 16, gave the report of the Party Organization Committee. Jerry Fisher, SD 2, gave the report of the Partnerships and Coalitions Committee.

Without objection, the SREC heard the report from Treasurer Fred Tate.

The SREC continued reports from standing committees. Scott Bowen, SD 6, gave the report of the Resolutions Committee.

By unanimous direction of the Committee, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of the resolution “Honoring the Life of Chris McDonald.” Gaylyn DeVine, SD 11; Vergel Cruz, SREC Secretary;
Ken Moore, SD 11; Rolando Garcia, SD 15; Jerry Fisher, SD 2; and Scott Bowen, SD 6, each read a portion of the resolution. The resolution passed unanimously by electronic roll call vote, and the SREC paused for a moment in prayerful contemplation to remember our late colleague Chris.

By direction of the Committee, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of the SREC Rules Committee Standing Rules as follows:

1. No resolution will be considered by the committee that has not been distributed to the committee chair in a standard electronic format by 11:59 p.m. Tuesday before a Friday committee meeting and copied or subsequently forwarded by the chair ASAP to the members. This committee rule may be suspended by majority vote of committee members present and voting.

2. The Committee Chair and SREC Secretary shall be authorized to make non-substantive formatting adjustments and grammatical corrections, not limited to punctuation, spelling, spacing, and fonts, within their discretion, to the committee report.

The Standing Rules were adopted by electronic roll call vote of 63 Yes, 0 No.

By direction of the Committee, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of the “Resolution Regarding the FBI Raid on Donald J. Trump’s Home.” Rolando Garcia, SD 15, moved with a second to strike the final Resolved clause, and the amendment was approved. The resolution, as amended, passed by electronic roll call vote of 64 Yes, 0 No.

By direction of the Committee, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of the “Republican Majority Means Republican Control” resolution. The resolution passed by electronic roll call vote of 64 Yes, 0 No.

By direction of the Committee, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of the “Resolution to Enforce Republican Party of Texas Platform Plank 234.” David Covey, SD 3, moved with a second to strike “carefully consider” from the first Resolved clause and replace the phrase with “include.” The amendment passed, and the resolution, as amended, passed by electronic roll call vote of 58 Yes, 4 No.

By direction of the Committee, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of the “Republican Party of Texas Endorses Candidates for Princeton ISD and Wylie ISD” resolution. The resolution passed by electronic roll call vote of 62 Yes, 0 No.

Without objection, the meeting recessed for lunch at 11:42 a.m. and was called back to order at 12:48 p.m.
After the meeting resumed, Mr. Bowen, by direction of the Resolutions Committee, moved the adoption of the “Republican Party of Texas Endorses Candidates for Round Rock ISD” resolution. The resolution passed by electronic roll call vote of 63 Yes, 0 No 1 Abstain.

By direction of the Committee, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of the “Resolution Restoring the Sovereignty of Texas and the Integrity of the Mexican Border.” The resolution passed by electronic roll call vote of 62 Yes, 0 No 1 Abstain.

By direction of the Committee, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of the “Resolution in Support of the Due Process Rights of the January 6, 2021 Protestors.” The resolution passed by electronic roll call vote of 61 Yes, 0 No.

By direction of the Committee, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of the “Resolution Supporting All Republican Candidates on the November Ballot.” Steve Evans, SD 28, moved with a second to strike instances of “Supporting”/“support”/“supports” with “Endorsing”/“endorse”/“endorses.” Karen Marshall, SD 26, with a second, moved a secondary amendment to replace the same words with “Backing”/“back”/“backs.” The secondary amendment failed. Adolpho Telles, SD 29, moved with a second to recommit the resolution, and the motion passed.

Next, Rep. Bryan Slaton (HD 2) addressed the SREC.

Steve Evans, SD 28, gave the report of the Rules Committee. By direction of the Committee, Mr. Evans moved that Republican Party of Texas Rule 44(b) be amended by striking language as follows:

\[ \text{Any County Chairman who applies the provisions of Section (a)(1) or rejects an application for a place on the ballot under Section (a)(2) and thereby becomes the subject of a lawsuit for doing so shall be indemnified by the Republican Party of Texas, who shall provide counsel to the County Chairman or pay for any expenses incurred related to any suit. The State Party Chairman shall defend in court any suit against the Party arising from the application of Rule No. 44.} \]

The motion passed by electronic roll call vote of 62 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain.

By direction of the Committee, Mr. Evans moved that the proviso language at the end of the Republican Party of Texas Rules be amended as follows:

\[ \text{All Amendments to these rules take effect upon adjournment, sine die, of each biennial Republican Party of Texas State Convention.} \]

\[ \text{Except for rules on electoral affairs, which take effect on January 1 of the odd-numbered year following the biennial Republican Party of Texas State Convention, amendments to these rules take effect: (1) upon adjournment sine die of each biennial Republican Party of Texas State Convention, or (2) immediately, when amended by the State Republican Executive Committee.} \]
The motion passed by electronic roll call vote of 63 Yes, 0 No.

Next, Jill Glover, SD 12, gave the report of the Legislative Priorities Committee. Vice Chairman Myers gave the report of the Finance Committee.

Reports from the special committees followed. Gaylyn DeVine, SD 11, gave the report of the Convention Planning Committee. Alma Jackson gave the report of the Engagement Committee.

Rolando Garcia, SD 15, gave the report of the Local Government Committee. Jon Ker, SD 22, moved with a second to suspend SREC Bylaws Article VII, Section 8(F)(3), in order to consider a resolution from the Committee as follows:

1. Chairman Rinaldi may make RPT support and resources available to the Leander ISD candidates endorsed by the Travis County Republican Party as well as to any other Leander ISD candidate that an SREC member who represents any part of LISD will personally vouch for.

2. In any other “non-partisan” race in which the SREC has not formally endorsed, Chairman Rinaldi may make RPT support and resources available to any “non-partisan” candidate endorsed by their county party unless an SREC who represents any portion of the jurisdiction objects.

Without objection, Toni Treviño, SD 21, moved to add a third point as follows:

3. This grant of authority does not include direct monetary contributions.

Without objection, Bill Fairbrother, SD 5, moved to amend the resolution by adding a header “For the 2022 General Election:” The resolution, as amended, passed by electronic roll call vote of 57 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain.

The SREC continued with reports from standing and special committees. Devvie Duke, SD 22, gave the report of the Election Integrity Committee. Morgan Graham, SD 27, gave the report of the Candidate Development Committee. Matt Patrick, SD 16, gave the report of the Platform Advocacy Committee.

The SREC then proceeded to New Business.

Christin Bentley, SD 1, moved with a second to suspend SREC Bylaws Article VII, Section 8(F)(3), in order to consider the “Resolution to Support Parents, Schools, and Districts in Rejecting Harmful, Coercive, and Burdensome Gender Identity Policies and Protect School Lunch Programs and Federal Funding Subject to Title IX.” The motion to suspend passed, and the resolution passed by electronic roll call vote of 63 Yes, 0 No.
Without objection, the SREC confirmed Chairman Rinaldi’s appointments of Dan Pickens and Mark Ramsey to the Platform Advocacy special committee.

Without objection, the Third Quarter 2022 SREC Meeting adjourned at 2:53 p.m. CDT.

Respectfully submitted,

Vergel B. Cruz, Secretary