Chairman Matt Rinaldi called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m. CST.

Chaplain Jeremy Story gave the invocation. Britton Brooks, SD 30, led the SREC in singing “The Star-Spangled Banner,” and Gail Stanart, SD 15, led the Pledge to the United States flag. Scott Bowen, SD 6, led the SREC in singing “Texas, Our Texas,” and Andrew Eller, SD 24, led the Pledge to the Texas flag.

Chairman Rinaldi appointed the following members to the Proxy Committee: Jerry Fisher, SD 2, Chair; Dan Tully, SD 9; and Mary Jane Avery, SD 24. At the time of the roll call, six proxies were found to be in order.

The Secretary called the roll. Members were present unless otherwise noted in the Minutes.
SD 4  Dale Inman  
SD 5  Susan Lucas  
SD 5  Bill Fairbrother, by proxy Mike McCloskey  
SD 6  Dawn McDonald  
SD 6  Scott Bowen  
SD 7  Deborah Kelting Fite  
SD 7  Tom Nobis  
SD 8  Margaret Whitt  
SD 8  Jim Pikl  
SD 9  Anne Gebhart  
SD 9  Dan Tully  
SD 10  Susan Wright  
SD 10  Matt Ticzkus  
SD 11  Gaylyn DeVine  
SD 11  Ken Moore  
SD 12  Jill Glover  
SD 12  David Wylie, by proxy Andy Hopper  
SD 13  Dr. Milinda Morris  
SD 13  Dale Gibble, by proxy Dr. Milinda Morris (MM) until 9:33 a.m.; present himself until 10:22 a.m.; then by proxy MM  
SD 14  Jan Duncan, by proxy Fernando Treviño, Jr. until 9:20 a.m.; then present herself  
SD 14  Fernando Treviño, Jr. until 10:37 a.m.; then by proxy Dallas Emerson until 3:03 p.m.; then present himself  
SD 15  Gail Stanart  
SD 15  Rolando Garcia  
SD 16  Susan Fountain  
SD 16  Matt Patrick, from 9:38 a.m.  
SD 17  Becky Green  
SD 17  Roman Klein  
SD 18  Cheryl Thompson-Draper  
SD 18  Howard Barker  
SD 19  Kelly Perry  
SD 19  Fernando Garcia  
SD 20  Grace Jones, by proxy Chuck Burnett  
SD 20  Chuck Burnett  
SD 21  Toni Treviño  
SD 21  Mike Monreal  
SD 22  Devvie Duke  
SD 22  Jon Ker  
SD 23  Elaine Cook  
SD 23  Ed Zenner  
SD 24  Mary Jane Avery
Steve Evans, SD 28, moved that the SREC forgo the reading of the Minutes from the Third Quarter SREC Meeting held September 23-24, 2022. The motion passed, and the Minutes stood approved with a clerical correction to the attendance records noted by Secretary Cruz.

Next, the SREC heard the report from Treasurer Fred Tate.

Without objection, the SREC entered into executive session at 9:33 a.m. The SREC proceeded in executive session until 10:21 a.m.

When the open meeting resumed, the SREC heard the reports of Vice Chairman Dr. Dana Myers, and Chairman Rinaldi.

Without objection, the SREC confirmed Chairman Rinaldi’s appointment of Steven Bolen as Parliamentarian. Chairman Rinaldi expressed his gratitude to State Representative-elect Richard Hayes (HD 57) for his service to the Republican Party of Texas as Parliamentarian.

Next, by direction of the Officials Committee, Chairman Rinaldi moved adoption of a proposed 2023 Republican Party of Texas Budget, and the motion passed.

The SREC then heard reports from 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 considered the report of the Rules Committee out of sequence. Steve Evans, SD 28, gave the report. By direction of the Committee, Mr. Evans moved that Article VII, Section 8(D)(1) of the SREC Bylaws be amended as follows:

**A. THE PARTY ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE**

1. The Party Organization Committee shall be comprised of: no fewer than five (5) members of the SREC, nominated by the Chairman, and subject to confirmation by the SREC.
   a. No fewer than five (5) members of the SREC, nominated by the Chairman, and subject to confirmation by the SREC.
   b. All SREC members who are also county chairmen shall be voting ex-officio members of the Party Organization Committee.
   c. All other county chairmen shall be non-voting ex-officio members of the Party Organization Committee.

The motion passed by electronic roll call vote of 61 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain.

Chairman Rinaldi thanked former State Senator Don Huffines of the Huffines Liberty Foundation for sponsoring lunch, and Senator Huffines addressed the SREC.

Without objection, the SREC heard the report of the Election Integrity Committee out of sequence. Devvie Duke, SD 22, delivered the report.

Without objection, the meeting recessed for lunch at 11:47 a.m. and was called back to order at 12:58 p.m.

When the meeting resumed, without objection, the SREC heard remarks from State Representatives Tony Tinderholt (HD 94) and Bryan Slaton (HD 2).

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

By direction of the Committee, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of “A Resolution Regarding Texas House Leadership.” Chris Byrd, SD 25, moved with a second to strike “Republican” and insert “Speaker candidate,” in the fourth Resolved clause, and the motion was approved. Becky Green, SD 17, moved with a second to strike the fifth and sixth Whereas clauses, and the motion failed. Steve Evans, SD 28, moved with a second to strike the entirety of the fourth Resolved clause, and the motion passed. With a second, Mike McCloskey, SD 5, moved the previous question, and the motion passed. The resolution, as amended, passed by electronic roll call vote of 57 Yes, 6 No.
Ken Moore, SD 11, moved the adoption of the “modified Jean McIver” rule to govern debate on any debatable question for the remainder of the Fourth Quarter 2022 SREC meeting: three speakers in favor, three speakers opposed, and two minutes each. Rolando Garcia, SD 15, moved with a second to amend the motion to permit four speakers on each side of a question. The amendment failed. The main motion passed.

Continuing the report of the Resolutions Committee, by direction of the same, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of the “Resolution Encouraging Unity in the Montgomery County Republican Party.” Steve Evans, SD 28, moved with a second to strike the entirety of the penultimate Resolved clause, and the motion passed. Quico Canseco, SD 26, moved with a second to insert the following as the final Whereas clause: “WHEREAS, the State Republican Executive Committee and the Republican Party of Texas have offered guidance to the parties in Montgomery County; now.” Without objection, Scott Bowen, SD 6, moved a secondary amendment to substitute the following for Mr. Canseco’s amendment: “WHEREAS, the Republican Party of Texas has offered guidance to the parties in Montgomery County; now.” The amendment, as amended, passed.

Susan Lucas, SD 5, moved with a second to recommit the resolution. The motion failed. Andy Hopper, SD 12, moved with a second to amend the title by striking “Unity” and inserting “Amity,” and the motion passed. Chris Byrd, SD 25, moved with a second to insert the following as a new final Whereas clause:

“WHEREAS, evidence has been presented to the State Republican Executive Committee that the precinct chairs nominated and approved to previously existing vacancies at the September 6, 2022 Montgomery County Executive Committee meeting were validly appointed and recommends that they be seated and reported to the Secretary of State, but that the State Republican Executive Committee does not at this time have the evidence necessary to take a position on whether appointments made to those seats at meetings prior to September 6, 2022 were valid according to the Montgomery County Executive Committee bylaws; now”

With a second, Tom Nobis, SD 7, moved a secondary amendment to strike “and recommends that they be seated and reported to the Secretary of State,” from Mr. Byrd’s amendment. The secondary amendment passed. The amendment, as amended, failed. The resolution, as amended, passed by electronic roll call vote of 57 Yes, 4 No.

By direction of the Committee, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of the “Resolution Reaffirming Life in the Womb Even in Sexual Assault Cases.” The resolution passed by electronic roll call vote of 60 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstain.

By direction of the Committee, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of “Resolution Urging Support for the ‘Keep Nine Amendment’ to the U.S. Constitution.” The resolution passed by electronic roll call vote of 60 Yes, 0 No.
By direction of the Committee, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of the “Resolution to Defend Medical Freedom and Codify Informed Consent.” 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 “Time for New Leadership at the Republican National Committee” resolution. The resolution passed by electronic roll call vote of 62 Yes, 0 No.

By direction of the Committee, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of the “Resolution Opposing Voter Suppression in Harris County.” The resolution passed by electronic roll call vote of 63 Yes, 0 No.

By direction of the Committee, Mr. Bowen moved the adoption of the “Adhering to Republican Party of Texas Rules” resolution. Bruce Bishop, SD 2, moved without objection to add the counties of SD 2 – Collin, Dallas, Ellis, Kaufman, Navarro, Rockwall, and Van Zandt – after “Hidalgo” in the Resolved clause. Without objection, Dale Inman, SD 4, moved to add Montgomery County. Without objection, Naomi Narvaiz, SD 25, moved to add Hays County. With a second, Steve Evans, SD 28, moved to postpone the resolution indefinitely, and the motion passed.

Next, Jill Glover, SD 12, gave the report of the Legislative Priorities Committee. As part of Ms. Glover’s report, State Senator Bob Hall (SD 2), addressed the SREC.

Karen Marshall, SD 26, rose to a question of privilege to ask that Edgar Pacheco of the Texas Young Republicans be permitted to address the SREC on the organization’s legislative priorities. Without objection, Mr. Pacheco addressed the SREC.

Fernando Treviño, Jr., SD 14, then gave the report of the Audit Committee. As part of Mr. Treviño’s report, Jeremy Myers of Atchley & Associates, LLP, addressed the SREC.

Reports from the special committees followed. Alma Jackson gave the report of the Engagement Committee.

Without objection, the SREC returned to the Audit Committee report. Pursuant to Article VIII, Section 2(C) of the SREC Bylaws, and by direction of the Committee, Mr. Treviño moved the approval of the report. The motion was approved without objection.

Reports from the special committees continued. Rolando Garcia, SD 15, gave the report of the Local Government Committee. Gaylyn DeVine, SD 11, gave the report of the Convention Planning Committee. Matt Patrick, SD 16, gave the report of the Platform Advocacy Committee.

The SREC then proceeded to New Business.

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Andy Hopper, SD 12, moved with a second to suspend SREC Bylaws Article VII, Section 8(F)(3), in order to consider the “Fresh and Courageous Leadership for the U.S. House of Representatives” resolution. The motion failed.

Without objection, the Fourth Quarter 2022 SREC Meeting adjourned at 3:54 p.m. CST.

Respectfully submitted,

Vergel B. Cruz, Secretary