

## **Republican Party of Texas State Republican Executive Committee**

## Second Quarterly Meeting Minutes, April 7, 2018

## Wyndham Garden Woodward Conference Center, 3401 South IH-35, Austin TX 78741

Chairman James Dickey called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

The invocation was led by Chaplain-Cory Tabor. The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag was led by Toni Anne Dashiell and the National Anthem was sung by Dr. Robin Armstrong. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag was led by Mike McCloskey and Texas Our Texas was sung by Rhonda Lacey.

Chairman Dickey appointed a Proxy Committee chaired by Sarah Singleton, SD-7 with Mark Dorazio, SD-25 and Debbie Terry, SD-12 as members.

Jim Wiggins-Secretary, called the roll. Members were present unless otherwise noted in the minutes.

Chairman	James	Dickey
Vice Chair	Amy	Clark
Secretary	Jim	Wiggins
Treasurer	Larry	Hicks
Nat. Committeeman	Robin	Armstrong
Nat. Committeewoman	Toni Anne	Dashiell
General Counsel	Chris	Gober
Asst. Gen. Counsel	Trey	Trainer- <i>absent</i>
Asst. Gen. Counsel	Ross	Fischer- <i>absent</i>
Asst. Gen. Counsel	Wade	Emmert
Parliamentarian	Chris	Howe
Sergeant at Arms	Nelda	Eppes
Chaplain	Corey	Tabor
SD 1	Dennis	Cable
SD 1	Sue	Evenwel
SD 2	Jason	Ross
SD 2	Vicki	Slaton
SD 3	Terry	Holcomb
SD 3	Judy	Parada
SD 4	Will	Robbins
SD 4	Melinda	Fredricks
SD 5	Michael	McCloskey
SD 5	Nita	Davidson-by proxy, Mike McCloskey
SD 6	Chris	McDonald
SD 6	Tammie	Nielsen
SD 7	Mark	Ramsey

SD 7	Sarah	Singleton
SD 8	Karl	Voigtsberger
SD 8	Candy	Noble
SD 9	Steve	Atwell
SD 9	Shelly	Pritchard-by proxy, Jorge Landivar
SD 10	Jeremy	Blosser
SD 10	Susan	Wright
SD 11	JT	Edwards
SD 11	Tanya	Robertson
SD 12	David	Halvorson
SD 12	Debbie	Terry-by proxy at noon, Dale Gibble
SD 13	Dale	Gibble
SD 13	Melanie	Flowers
SD 14	Fernando	Trevino, Jr.
SD 14	Jan	Duncan
SD 15	Vergel	Cruz
SD 15	Gail	Stanart
SD 16	Randall	Dunning-by proxy, Tim McNamara
SD 16	Virginia	Prodan-by proxy, Denice McNamara
SD 17	Marvin	Clede
SD 17	Tina	Gibson- <i>absent</i>
SD 18	Michael	Cloud- <i>absent</i>
SD 18	Edee	Sinclair
SD 19	Scott	Stratton
SD 19	Terri	DuBose
SD 20	Sam	Dalton-by proxy, Hannah chipman
SD 20	Janie	Melendez
SD 21	Mike	Goldman
SD 21	Naomi	Narvaiz
SD 22	Chuck	Wilson-by proxy, Lisa Koiner
SD 22	Denise	DeLara
SD 23	Stephen	Broden
SD 23	Marian	Phillips-by proxy, Leslie Thomas
SD 24	Jack	Barcroft
SD 24	Randan	Steinhauser-by proxy, Mary Jane Avery
SD 25	Mark	Dorazio
SD 25	Linda	Kinney
SD 26	Fred	Rangel
SD 26	Marian	Stanko
SD 27	Morgan	Graham
SD 27	Mathew	Walbeck- <i>absent</i>
SD 28	Drew	Bullard
SD 28	Jane	Cansino
SD 29	Mark	Dunham
SD 29	Lisa	Sprinkle
SD 30	Paul	Braswell
SD 30	Deon	Starnes
SD 31	Tom	Roller-by proxy at 3:00pm, Rhonda Lacy
SD 31	Rhonda	Lacy

Brandon Moore, RPT Organization Director reviewed the SREC meeting Packets to ensure all members had the necessary documents.

The Chairman asked for any additions or corrections to the January 27, 2018 meeting minutes. Hearing none the minutes were approved as presented.

Marvin Clede, SD-17 with a second, moved to adopt the agenda as presented to the committee. Motion passed via voice vote.

Proxy Committee Chair reported that the proxies submitted were in order. The report of the Proxy Committee was approved via voice vote.

Treasurer, Larry Hicks gave the Treasurer's report.

The Chairman called on Audit Committee Chairman Tom Roller to give the report of the committee. Without object, the report was deferred until representatives of the audit firm arrive.

National Committee Woman, Toni Anne Dashiell, gave her report re: RNC fundraising, presidential nominating process, the electoral college, and RNC summer meeting in Austin, TX July 17-21, 2018.

National Committee man, Dr. Robin Armstrong, gave his report re: congressional races in 2017 and his committee actives with the RNC.

Tom Roller gave the report of the Audit Committee with Jeremy Myers and Ronnie Armstrong present representing the audit firm.

General Counsel, Chris Gober, gave his report stating that the party is not currently involved any litigation.

Vice Chair, Amy Clark, gave her report. Tanya Robertson presented best wishes and thank you notes from members of the committee to Amy.

The Chairman then gave his report re: primary turnout, fundraising, and RPT staff activities.

The Chairman called for a motion to ratify the appointment of county chairs as follows:

Zavala-Alice Bustamonte

Gaines-Ryan Richards

Will Robbins, SD-4 with a second made the motion to ratify the appointments. Motion passed via voice vote.

The Chairman called for a motion to ratify the appointment of Mona Bailey to the Candidate Resource Committee. Jeremy Blosser, SD-10 with a second made the motion to ratify the appointment. Motion passed via voice vote.

The Chairman advised the Committee regarding RPT Rules clarifications made by him since the last meeting.

The Chairman called on Kristy Wilkinson, RNC State Director and RPT Political Director to give the report of field team activities and introduce the members of the team.

Victory Chair, Texas State Senator Dawn Buckingham, SD-24 gave the report of the committee.

The Chairman gave the Officials Committee report. The Chairman reported that the staff, pursuant to the policy adopted by the SREC had rejected the Log Cabin Republican's request for a booth at the 2018 RPT Convention and if there is no further action by the SREC the rejection will stand. Jeremy Blosser, SD-10, with a second moved to approve the booth application. Motion to approve the application failed via voice vote.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:25pm.

The meeting was called back to order at 12:55pm.

Chairman Dickey presented to Mrs. Clark Governor Abbott's "Steven Munisteri Award" which recognizes the RPT Best Volunteer of the year. The Chairman thanked Mrs. Clark for her service.

Emma McIlheron reported on the activities of the College Republicans.

J. T. Edwards, SD-11, gave the report of the Auxiliaries and Coalitions Committee. Jason Vaughn, on behalf of the Texas Young Republicans, presented a gift to Vice Chair Amy Clark in recognition of her service.

Steve Atwell, SD-9, gave the report of the Candidates Resource Committee.

Will Robbins, SD-4, gave the report of the Party Organization Committee.

Candy Noble, SD-8, gave the report of the Resolutions Committee. At the direction of the committee Mrs. Noble moved the adoption of the Resolution on the Right to Keep and Bear Arms. The motion passed via electronic roll call vote of 56 Yea, -0- nay and -0- abstain.

Mrs. Noble at the direction of the committee moved the adoption of a Resolution Supporting the Electoral College. The motion passed via electronic roll call vote of 59 Yea, -0- Nay and -0- abstain.

Mrs. Noble at the direction of the committee moved the adoption of a Resolution Calling on Democrat Carlos Uresti to Resign. Without objection the motion passed via voice vote.

Melinda Fredricks, SD-4 gave the report of the Rules Committee. At the direction of the committee Mrs. Fredricks moved the adoption of a SREC Standing Rule Regarding Use of RPT staff and Resources for Campaigns. Motion passed via electronic roll call vote of 58 Yea, -0- Nay and 1 abstain.

Mrs. Fredricks at the direction of the committee moved adoption of an amendment to RPT Rule No. 8A-Petition Required for County Chairs in Certain Counties. Paul Braswell, SD-30 moved to ament the rule amendment to replace the "five (5)" with "eight (8)." Amendment passed via voice vote. Original motion, as amended, passed via electronic roll call vote of 54 Yea, 4 Nay and 1 abstain.

Terry Holcomb, SD-3 gave the report of the Legislative Affairs Committee.

Marian Stanco, SD-26 gave the report of the Election Integrity Special Committee.

Toni Anne Dashiell gave the report of the New Leaders on the Rise Special Committee.

David Halvorson, SD-12 gave the report of the Grassroots Club.

Deon Starnes, SD-30 gave the report of the Conventions Arrangements Committee.

Tanya Robertson, SD-11 gave the report of the Advancement Committee.

Linda Kinney, SD-25 gave the report of the Convention Site Selection Committee.

Jeremy Blosser, SD-10 with a second moved to amend the SREC interpretation of RPT Rule No. 8c. The Chairman stated that he had opinions re: this matter and without objection he was stepping out of the chair for this debate and was handing the gavel to Vice Chair Amy Clark. There was no objection. Jack Barcroft, SD-24 with a second moved to postpone indefinitely consideration of the motion. Stephen Broden, SD-23 with a second called the question on the motion to postpone indefinitely. Motion to call question passed via voice vote. Motion to postpone indefinitely failed via electronic roll call vote of 29 Yea, 29 Nay and -0- abstain. The Chairman ruled that since the matter was not properly noticed, the motion to amend the ruling would require a majority of the membership or 2/3rds of members present and voting to pass. The motion passed via electronic roll call vote of 35 Yea, 24 Nay and -0 abstain.

Meeting adjourned at 4:12pm.

Jim Wiggins SREC Secretary