



Republican Party of Texas State Republican Executive Committee
Third Quarterly Meeting Minutes, September 14, 2019
Wyndham Garden Woodward Conference Center
3401 South IH-35, Austin, Texas 78741

Chairman James Dickey called the meeting to order at 9:15 am.

The invocation was led by David Halvorson, SD-12. The National Anthem was led by Chris McDonald, SD-6. The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag was led by Mark Ramsey, SD-7. "Texas our Texas" was led by Rhonda Lacy, SD-31. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag was led by Susan Fountain, SD-16.

Chairman Dickey appointed without objection a Proxy Committee chaired by Linda Kinney, SD-25, with Drew Bullard, SD-28, Jason Ross, SD-2 as members.

Leslie Recine, Special Projects Coordinator, called the roll. Members were present unless otherwise noted in the minutes.

Chairman	James	Dickey
Vice Chair	Alma	Jackson
Secretary	Will	Robbins – ABSENT
Treasurer	Larry	Hicks
Nat. Committeeman	Robin	Armstrong
Nat. Committeewoman	Toni Anne	Dashiell
General Counsel	Wade	Emmert
Asst. Gen. Counsel	Trey	Trainer – ABSENT
Asst. Gen. Counsel	Art	Martinez de Vara – ABSENT
Parliamentarian	Chris	Howe
Sergeant at Arms	Nelda	Eppes
Chaplain	Corey	Tabor
SD 1	Ross	Kecseg
SD 1	Sue	Evenwel
SD 2	Jason	Ross
SD 2	Jerry	Fisher
SD 3	David	Covey - elected
SD 3	Judy	Parada
SD 4	Walter	West
SD 4	Allison	Winter

SD 5	Michael	McCloskey
SD 5	Nita	Davidson
SD 6	Chris	McDonald
SD 6	Dawn	McDonald
SD 7	Mark	Ramsey
SD 7	Terri	Leo
SD 8	Chuck	Branch
SD 8	Susan	Fischer
SD 9	Steve	Atwell
SD 9	Anne	Gebhart
SD 10	Warren	Norred
SD 10	Susan	Wright
SD 11	JT	Edwards
SD 11	Tanya	Robertson
SD 12	David	Halvorson
SD 12	Jill	Glover - elected
SD 13	Roy	Morales
SD 13	Dawn	Elliott
SD 14	Fernando	Trevino, Jr.
SD 14	Jan	Duncan
SD 15	Vergel	Cruz
SD 15	Gail	Stanart
SD 16	Randall	Dunning
SD 16	Susan	Fountain
SD 17	Marvin	Clede
SD 17	Kathaleen	Wall
SD 18	Rick	Figueroa <i>by proxy</i> (Bruce Campbell)
SD 18	Edee	Sinclair
SD 19	Robert	Casias <i>by proxy</i>
SD 19	Marian	Knowlton
SD 20	Sam	Dalton
SD 20	Hanna	Scott - ABSENT
SD 21	Terry	Harper <i>by proxy</i>
SD 21	Carla	Sisk
SD 22	Sam	Bryant
SD 22	Ashley	Sellers <i>by proxy</i>
SD 23	Stephen	Broden
SD 23	Leslie	Thomas
SD 24	Jack	Barcroft
SD 24	Summer	Wise
SD 25	Mark	Dorazio
SD 25	Linda	Kinney
SD 26	Michael	Raign <i>by proxy</i>
SD 26	Marian	Stanko
SD 27	Morgan	Graham
SD 27	James	Zavaleta
SD 28	Drew	Bullard
SD 28	Neva	Haney
SD 29	Mark	Dunham <i>by proxy</i>
SD 29	Barbara	Carrasco
SD 30	Britton	Brooks
SD 30	Deon	Starnes

SD 31
SD 31

Tom
Rhonda

Roller
Lacy

Appointment of Clint Moore to be Assistant Parliamentarian by Chairman James Dickey.

Brandon Moore, RPT Organization Director, reviewed the SREC Meeting Packets.

Proxy Committee Chair reported that the proxies submitted were in order. The report of the Proxy Committee was approved without objection.

Chairman Dickey asked for any additions or corrections to the Second Quarterly meeting minutes. Without objection the minutes for the Second Quarterly meeting were approved.

Marvin Clede, SD-17, moved with a second to adopt the special orders of the distributed agenda. The motion passed by voice vote.

Larry Hicks, Treasurer, gave a financial report.

Chris McDonald, SD-6, nominated Josh Flynn for Secretary. Without objection Josh Flynn elected by acclamation.

David Halvorson, SD-12, nominated Jill Glover for SD-12 Committeewoman. Without objection Jill Glover elected by acclamation.

Without objection the Rules to consider the election of SD-3, Committeeman were waived.

Jerry Fisher, SD-3, nominated David Covey for SD-3 Committeeman. Without objection David Covey elected by acclamation.

Steve Munisteri, Mitch Carney, Executive Director - Volunteer Engagement Project; Political Director, project update.

Toni Anne Dashiell, National Committeewoman, gave a report.

Alma Jackson, Vice-Chair, gave a report.

Without objection, the Chairman's county chair appointments were ratified as follows:

Mary Wilson – Duval County
Dixie Pitcox – McCulloch County
Guillermo Guzman – Kinney County
Shirley Bennett – Borden County

Without objection, JT Edwards, SD-11, resignation from the Candidate Resource Committee was accepted and Summer Wise, SD-24, appointment to the Candidate Resource Committee was accepted.

James Dickey, Chairman, gave the Chairman's report.

Wade Emmert, General Counsel, gave a report.

James Dickey, Chairman, gave the Officials Committee report.

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

Marian Knowlton, SD-19, gave the Party Organization report.

JT Edwards, SD-11, gave the Auxiliaries & Coalitions report.

Special Resolution Honoring Debbie Terry. (Speakers: James Dickey, David Halvorson, Anne Gebhart, Deon Starnes, Vergel Cruz, Tim Terry) passes unanimously by voice vote.

David Covey, SD-3, offered prayer.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:00pm.

The meeting resumed at 1:07pm.

Vergel Cruz, SD-15, gave the report of the Resolution Committee. At the direction of the Committee, Vergel Cruz, SD-15, moved adoption of "Resolution on Financial Support for Candidates Who Support the Right-To-Life Planks". The resolution passed by an electronic roll call vote of 58 ayes to 0 nays.

At the direction of the Committee, Vergel Cruz, SD-15, moved adoption of "The Big Four". Walter West, SD-4, moved with a second to amend the resolution by replacing the "." with "!". The amendment passed by voice vote. The resolution as amended passed by an electronic roll call vote of 37 ayes to 15 nays.

At the direction of the Committee, Vergel Cruz, SD-15, moved adoption of "Resolution on Voter Roll Integrity". The resolution passed by an electronic roll call vote of 59 ayes to 0 nays.

At the direction of the Committee, Vergel Cruz, SD-15, moved adoption of "Second and Fourth Amendment Resolution against Red Flag and Enhanced Background Checks". Randall Dunning, SD-16, moved with a second to amend the resolution by replacing "further expansion" with "implementation". The amendment passed by voice vote. Britton Brooks, SD-30, moved with a second to amend the resolution by striking "in some cases, death at the hands of overzealous law enforcement". Sam Bryant, SD-22, moved with a second to amend the amendment by adding "and in some cases where the serving of a Red Flag Warrant has resulted in unnecessary deaths". The amended amendment passed by voice vote. The amendment passed by voice vote. Tanya Robertson, SD-11, moved with a second the addition of "BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this resolution be distributed to all Republican member of the Texas House of Representatives and Senate, the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, all Republican member representing the State of Texas in the United States House of

Representatives and Senate.” The amendment passed by voice vote. The resolution as amended passed by an electronic roll call vote of 62 ayes to 0 nays.

At the direction of the Committee, Vergel Cruz, SD-15, moved adoption of “Resolution Calling for a Special Session of the Eighty-Sixth Legislature to Implement the Five Legislative Priorities of the Republican Party of Texas”. Tanya Robertson, SD-11, moved with a second the addition of “BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that this resolution be distributed to all Republican member of the Texas House of Representatives and Senate, the Governor, Lieutenant Governor.” The amendment passed by voice vote. The resolution as amended passed by an electronic roll call vote of 39 ayes to 22 nays.

At the direction of the Committee, Vergel Cruz, SD-15, moved adoption of “Resolution Urging Support of the Republican Party of Texas Platform Planks Related to the Right to Keep and Bear Arms”. The resolution passed by an electronic roll call vote of 62 ayes to 0 nays.

At the direction of the Committee, Vergel Cruz, SD-15, moved adoption of “Resolution on Maintaining Trust and Integrity in Our Texas House”. Mark Ramsey, SD-7, moved with a second to substitute an additional “Where As the State Republican Executive Committee has significant concerns about the possibility of unbecoming behavior” for the Where As’s between the first and last; and substitute “THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that State Republican Executive Committee demands both truth and full transparency by all parties involved and encourages a higher standard of always doing what is right instead of a lower standard of what may be legal.” for the first Resolved. Chuck Branch, SD-8, moved with a second to amend the amendment by substituting the word “ethical” for the word “right”. The amendment passed by voice vote. Jack Barcroft, SD-24, moved with a second to remove language that Speaker Bonnen initiated the meeting, with “between”. The amendment to the amended amendment passed by voice vote. The resolution as amended passed by an electronic roll call vote of 57 ayes to 1 nay.

Justice Brett Busby, comments.

At the direction of the Committee, Mr. Cruz moved adoption of “Resolution Urging Texans to Use Caution Concerning TAPS”. The resolution passed by an electronic roll call vote of 50 ayes to 1 nay.

Jan Duncan, SD-14, gave the Rules Committee report. At the direction of the Rules Committee, Jan Duncan, SD-14, add language to Rule 1 “I. In these rules a list of items in a rule excludes the items not listed, unless the rule provides otherwise or unless the context or another rule require otherwise. The phrase “including but not limited to” means that the listed items following are included as examples of what it meant without excluding other items not specifically listed.” Passed with an electronic roll call vote of 54 ayes to 0 nays.

At the direction of the Rules Committee, Jan Duncan, SD-14, add language to end of Rule 8a “Any county executive committee of a county with a population of fewer than 300,000 may, by majority vote, opt out of this requirement.” Passed with an electronic roll call vote of 50 ayes to 6 nays.

At the direction of the Rules Committee, Jan Duncan, SD-14, add language prior to the last sentence of Rule 34c “Legislative priorities should adhere to the “one subject” rule in the Texas Constitution governing legislation.” Substitute “fifteen (15)” in place of “eight (8)” in the second

sentence. Strike “eight (8)” in the third sentence. Substitute “those in the top half of those” in place of “the five (5)” in the third sentence. Passed with an electronic roll call vote of 54 ayes to 2 nays.

Mark Ramsey, SD-7, gave the report of the Legislative Priorities Committee.

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

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

Vice Chair Alma Jackson gave the report of the Engagement Committee.

Tanya Robertson, SD-11, moved with a second to suspend the Rules to consider a resolution. Passed by voice vote.

Tanya Robertson, SD-11, moved with a second to adopt the “Resolution in Support of Proposition 4”. Passed with an electronic roll call vote of 52 ayes to 0 nays.

Michael McCloskey, SD-5, moved with a second to adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Josh Flynn, Secretary