

# GASTON COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

June 10, 2013

Vice Chairman Steve Amos called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. Commissioner Jason Williams gave the invocation.

## **OFFICERS REPORTS**

**Secretary:** The Minutes from the May meeting were emailed to the Executive Committee and were available at the meeting. The Minutes were approved as presented.

**Treasurer:** Treasurer Edward Dunlap reported by email a balance May 1, 2013 of \$21,247.63. We had an income of \$450.00 and disbursements of \$375.00, plus bank service charges of \$14.00. The balance on May 31<sup>st</sup> was \$21,308.63. There is \$5,000.00 in the Building Fund.

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

Vice Chairman Steve Amos gave the Chairman's report because Chairman Grant was out of town on business. He gave a brief update about the NCGOP convention, noting that it was a lengthy convention that elected new officers.

## **CLUB REPORTS**

### **GCRW Day Club:**

### **GCRW Evening Club:**

**Young Republicans:** Cory Bryson announced that the Gaston YRs were applying for a new charter under new leadership. Cory will be serving as Chairman with the help of Graham Whitaker, Stephanie Fridley, and Kelsey Harrington as the other YR officers.

### **Belmont Abbey College Republicans:**

## **COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORTS:**

Commissioner Joe Carpenter informed everyone that the Commissioners were still reviewing budget options and were hopeful to choose a budget within two meetings. He noted that since the State had not given a budget yet, they had to work closely with Gaston County's representatives to plan for funding.

## **TENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT REPORT:**

Brett Keeter announced that 10<sup>th</sup> District Executive Committee had appointed Martin Oakes of Lincoln County as the Assistant Treasurer. He said that the 10<sup>th</sup> District was also switching bank accounts and Mr. Oakes' help could not come at a more convenient time. He said that the 10<sup>th</sup> District Committee was having a substantive conversation on fundraising to determine what has worked well and what has failed in each of the district's counties. He also announced that August would be work month for the 10<sup>th</sup> District and that Congressman McHenry would be hosting several town halls throughout the district that month. He informed everyone that Congressman McHenry's Gaston County town hall meeting would be held in the Myers Auditorium at Gaston College in Dallas on Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup>.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Brett Keeter gave a quick recap of the NCGOP convention. He announced that Claude Pope of Wake County had been elected Chairman and that Joyce Krawiec of Forsyth County had been elected Vice Chair (out of a four-way race). Twenty-eight delegates from Gaston were present. There was a large slate of speakers including elected officials and candidates from all over the State. The State Executive Committee adopted a platform during their Sunday morning meeting. The next convention will be held in Cherokee.

Brett announced that Sarah Curry would be the guest speaker for the July meeting and that Mark Harris would be the guest for the September meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm

**Next meeting: July 8, 2013 at Munchies Restaurant, 209 S. Chestnut St., Gastonia. 6:00 - Dinner, 7:00 - Meeting**

Respectfully submitted,  
Jonathan L. Fletcher, Secretary

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Attendance:

Steve Amos  
Tom Brawley  
Cory Bryson  
Jeff Bryson  
Jonathan Fletcher  
Joe Carpenter  
Nick Huffman

Brett Keeter  
Tom Keigher  
Michael Lands  
Donnie Loftis  
Lee Ann MacMillan  
Neil Moore  
Robert Pope

Ervin Sims  
Julie Stroupe  
Daniel Ware  
Jerry Willhauck  
Jason Williams

Visitors: Stephanie Fridley, Christine Willhauck, Neil Chastain, Graham Whitaker, and Kelsey Harrington