

GASTON COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

June 9, 2014

First Vice Chairman Madeline Keeter called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Neil Moore gave the invocation and Erik Soderstrom led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

As a courtesy to the guest speaker, Madeline allowed him to speak first. Mike Robinson is a candidate for the NC Supreme Court. He spoke about a strong commitment of support to the private sector and his desire to see more judicial conservatives elected. For more information about Mike Robinson and his campaign, you can visit his website at www.votemikerobinson.com.

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 the opening balance of the General Operating Fund on May 1, 2014 of \$16,653.86. We had an income of \$150.00 and disbursements of \$279.00, plus bank service charges of \$3.00. The balance on May 31st was \$16,521.86. With interest income of \$0.64, there is \$15,001.71 in the Money Market Savings Fund. The total of operating cash is \$31,654.93. There is \$5,000.00 in the Building Fund.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Madeline noted that Chairman Grant was out of town on business but that he had sent notes to be read concerning the Chairman's report. Madeline noted that the NCGOP convention in Cherokee was the first ever west of Asheville and had brought in a record amount of donations. There were 41 donors from Gaston County.

Madeline announced that the Gaston GOP would be holding a three hundred ticket raffle for the choice of prizes including a firearm, an iPad, or a cash prize. The requested donation per ticket will be \$20 for one ticket or \$50 for three tickets. More details will be shared.

Madeline also announced that the NCGOP has summer internships available and that interested individuals should visit NCGOP.org or contact Don Grant for more information.

CLUB REPORTS

GCRW: Edward Dunlap noted that the Republican Women were taking a break through the summer and would resume in September.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

TENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT REPORT:

Brett Keeter thanked everyone who attended the NCGOP convention and noted that there had been a good representation from the 10th District. He noted that Congressman McHenry had called for the resignation of now former Veterans Affairs Secretary Eric Shinseki and that he was committed to working toward ending the problems in the department. Brett also noted that President Obama had purchased a home in Asheville, but that it was unclear whether or not this was a vacation home or future permanent residence.

OLD BUSINESS: The old business was table for further discussion in July.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business to discuss.

Announcements: Mark Peeler announced that the Jeff Bryson for Sheriff campaign was hosting an event on August 23rd from 2-6pm at the park on Linwood Rd. There will be barbeque plates available for \$7.00 and a six-drawing raffle, which will take place at 4pm. Tickets for the raffle will be \$20 each.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm

Next meeting: July 14, 2014 at Hillbilly's BBQ, 930 E. Garrison Blvd., Gastonia. 6:00 - Dinner, 7:00 - Meeting

Respectfully submitted,
Jonathan L. Fletcher, Secretary

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Attendance:

Locke Bell*
Cory Bryson*
Edward Dunlap*
Jonathan Fletcher*
Don Grant*
Barbara Hammerle*

Dennis Hammerle*
Nick Huffman*
Brett Keeter*
Madeline Keeter*
Neil Moore*
Robert Pope*

Mark Peeler
Ina Jones
Erik Soderstrom
Danny Sparrow
Jerry Willhauck
Christine Willhauck

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