

Campbell County Republican Party
Central Committee Meeting
Sept 28, 2022 – Campbell Co Cemetery
Minutes

1. Call to Order

CCRP Chairman Heather Herr called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Chairman Herr thanked everyone for attending.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance – Greg Bennick gave the invocation and lead the meeting in the pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call – Secretary Charlene Camblin
39 members present, 7 members by proxy – total members 46, majority is 24.

4. Approval of the Agenda

Motion: Heather Herr made the motion to add a discussion on Independents running against primary winners to “New Business”.

2nd: Darla Cotton

Vote: Passed by voice vote

Motion: Angie Okray the motion to approve the agenda as amended

2nd: Eric Barlow

Vote: Passed by voice vote

5. Approval of the Minutes

Motion: Greg Bennick made the motion to approve the minutes.

2nd: Chelsie Collier

Vote: Passed by voice vote

6. Officer Reports

Chairman’s Report

Chairman Herr reported on the poll watchers who worked the primary elections. There was some confusion on attendance. If anyone is interested in being a poll watcher in the general election, they need to contact Marti Halvorson at the State Office.

Vice Chairman’s Report – Vice Chairman Sam Clikeman gave a very interesting report on history of voting in Wyoming and highlighted individuals who have Wyoming ties. John Howe, Joseph Fisher, Francis Warren, Willis DeVanter, Fred Bloom, Rudy Guthrie were mentioned as well as their achievements.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Bell reported the current balance is \$38,132.10. The Balance prior to the primary election was approximately \$53,000. The State dues were paid in full \$8,927. Approximately \$6,000 was spent on the Ice Cream Social and the Get Out the vote billboards.

State Committeeman's Report

State Committeeman Greg Bennick attended the State Committee meeting in Riverton on September 16th. The State Party has a current operating budget of \$119,000, which is an \$80,000 shortfall to operate a full 12-month fiscal year. A great deal of money has been spent on attorney fees. The State Party has a goal of \$50,000 to support candidates but the actual amount they have on hand is \$14,500. Contested races with a Democrat opponent may receive \$2000/\$1500/\$500 respective of their designated contests. Marti Halverson oversaw the poll watching and reported that no deliberate cheating was detected. There will be additional training for poll watchers moving forward. Discussion was held on the SOS office and crossover voting. Janet Mader said that election judges are always needed. Angie Okray worked as a judge, you get paid and it's a very informative process.

6. Old Business

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7. New Business

Chairman Herr opened the discussion on providing funds for Republicans, who were elected in the primary race and have a contested race. Eric Barlow, Senate District 23 and Chris Knapp, House District 53 both are in contested races.

Funds for Contested Races:

Motion: Tom Murphy made the motion to give \$5000 each to Eric Barlow and Chris Knapp.
2nd: Robert Palmer

Discussion: Eric Barlow informed the members that he does not take any PAC money. He works on behalf of the Campbell Co Republican Party at our events and is active in raising funds for the Party. He appreciates the idea of the support and will abstain from the vote. Kelly Barlow also said she would abstain from the vote.

Question called: Robert Palmer

Vote: Passed by voice vote.

November Ballot Measures – Vice Chair Sam Clikeman gave a brief highlight of the two Constitutional Amendment ballot measures that will appear on the November ballot.

Ballot A – Provides authority to the Legislature to create framework for local municipalities to invest funds. Requires 2/3 majority vote in both houses and there are limits on the percent that can be invested. A non-vote will count as a “no” vote. Wright Mayor Ralph

Kingan urged the members to support this measure as it will have a very positive impact on the community of Wright.

Ballot B – Increase the age on Judges. It is very difficult to get qualified judges and increasing the age limit may help with the problem.

Candidate Running as an Independent

Chairman Herr opened the floor to discussion about candidates who ran in the primary, were defeated and are running again against the same candidate, now running as an Independent. Chairman Herr said the State Committee just condemned this practice at the state level and censured Cale Case for promoting the idea. Chairman Herr asked the body if they wanted to take any action and after a long and very involved discussion the consensus was no action be taken.

- 8. Program or Public Comment** – Chairman Herr said the next Central Committee meeting will be on Tuesday, January 24th, 2023, at the Energy Hall at Cam-plex. It will be an orientation meeting for the newly elected precinct committee men and women.

9. Adjournment

Motion: Doug Camblin made the motion to adjourn the meeting
2nd: Tom Lubnau
Vote: Passed by voice vote

Chairman Heather Herr

Date