

LYNCHBURG REPUBLICAN CITY COMMITTEE MEETING

VIA ZOOM, MARCH 22, 2021

MINUTES

Chairman Eric Harrison called the meeting to Order at 6:40 p.m.

The Invocation was given by Dr. Steve Troxel.

Mary Alford led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Jason Phelps read the RPV Creed.

No proxies were presented.

Councilman Chris Faraldi requested correction of the Minutes from the February 16, 2021 meeting on page 2, indicating the correct name and acronym for the Lynchburg Area Young Republicans as LAYR.

The Chairman took the roll. Thirty-four members were present.

Treasurer Andy Morse gave the Treasurer's Report.

The Chairman noted a number of guests present as candidates or their surrogates for the statewide elections. Elected officials present were Delegate Wendell Walker, Delegate Kathy Byron, Councilman Chris Faraldi, Councilman Jeff Helgeson, Commonwealth's Attorney Bethany Harrison, Commissioner of the Revenue Mitch Nuckles, Sheriff Don Sloan.

Chris Faraldi moved to accept the entire roster of new members. The motion was seconded. Discussion ensued. Steve Troxel moved to amend the motion on the floor to approve 14 of the applicants. Motion was seconded. The motion passed by voice vote. The applications of Patrick Gatti and John Sanchez were placed on the table to be taken up as old business at the next regular meeting of the committee.

The new members are:

Hoyt Alford, Leila Lou Baldwin, Stephen Baldwin, Timothy Bratton, Veronica Bratton, Norma Fretes, Nancy Hunter, Sarah Kalafian, Patricia Powers, Joshua Pratt, Robert Pyle, Kristine Scharven, Robert Taylor, John Vassar.

Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman acknowledged elected officials for remarks:

Delegate Wendell Walker, Councilman Chris Faraldi, Delegate Kathy Byron, Councilman Jeff Helgeson

NEW BUSINESS

Candidates or their surrogates were recognized for their remarks:

Peter Finocchio gave remarks on behalf of Glenn Davis for Lieutenant Governor.

Delegate Jason Miyares spoke for his campaign for Attorney General.

Supervisor Leslie Haley spoke for her campaign for Attorney General.

Former Delegate Tim Hugo spoke for his campaign for Lieutenant Governor.

Brian Triplett spoke on behalf of Glenn Youngkin for Governor.

Stephen Dolan spoke on behalf of Kirk Cox for Governor.

Lourdes de la Pena spoke on behalf of Sergio de la Pena for Governor.

Jack Collins spoke on behalf of Pete Snyder for Governor.

Review of Calls for Mass Meetings:

Delegate Mass Meeting Call

Steve Troxel moved to waive publication of the Call in the News and Advance. Motion was seconded. Discussion ensued. Waiver of publication was approved by 2/3 majority.

Steve Troxel moved to adopt the Call itself. Motion was seconded. Discussion ensued. Delegate Walker moved to amend the motion to approve all text except lines 58 – 61. A second was obtained. Debate ensued. If RPV general counsel rules that we could receive submission online without a signature line or with a signature field, we could then add then lines 58 – 61 and the proposed call will be published. If general counsel directs that a signature field is required and cannot be accomplished by our means, these lines will be deleted in the published call. Debate ensued.

The amendment passed and the main motion was amended as stated.

Jason Phelps moved to amend the main motion to include “Eastern Daylight Time” in all references to the time within the Call. A second was obtained and the motion passed by voice vote.

The main motion as amended passed by voice vote.

Steve Troxel moved that we accept the delegate filing form with the amendment of adding the option for the form to be scanned and emailed to the committee email account. The motion was seconded and passed with a voice vote.

Without objection, approval of the Call was reconsidered. A motion was made to adopt the call as previously amended and to further insert language making scanning and emailing of a delegate form to the committee email address an acceptable form of delivery. The motion was seconded and passed by voice vote.

The Call for Mass Meeting for Constitutional Officers was brought before the committee:

Amber Haskew moved to waive the requirement of publication in the newspaper. The motion was seconded. The motion passed without discussion with a 2/3 majority vote.

Delegate Walker moved to adopt the mass meeting Call as drafted. The motion was seconded. Discussion ensued. The motion passed by voice vote.

The filing form was accepted. The filing form for delegates to the mass meeting to nominate Constitutional Officers is to be submitted no sooner than March 31.

Jack Collins presented information regarding the Lieutenant Governor's forum to be at Thomas Road Baptist Church at 7:00 p.m. on March 29, 2021.

Beth Hammond presented information on the new Lynchburg Area Young Conservatives group, geared toward high school and post high-school age young adults.

Kristine Scharven spoke on behalf of Lynchburg Area Young Republicans.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patsy Walker, Secretary