



Organizational Executive Committee Meeting MINUTES

Thursday, February 2, 2023
Zoom Videoconferencing*

Call to Order

- a. Chairman Tucker called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.
- b. Chairman Tucker opened with the meeting rules to keep an orderly meeting.
 1. We will follow the agenda.
 2. Other discussion items can be sent to the Vice Chair, Gary Ell (garyell1953@gmail.com).
 3. If you are called out of order two (2) times you will be muted.
 4. Questions will be taken orderly.
 5. EC members who have not paid membership dues will not be allowed to vote.

Invocation

Brian Forbes led the prayer.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Tucker called upon Kerry King to lead pledge. Due to computer issues Chair Tucker led the pledge.

Roll call to determine Quorum (quorum of elected EC is 9) Chair Tucker stated we have a Quorum.

Voice Roll Call

Led by Secretary Korina Tucker

Committee Members Present:

Martha Avina	Jim Flint	Jim Conger
Dane Couture	Debra Ell	Brian Forbes
Suzanne Hall	Kerry King	Lynne Norman
Eric Kowalewski	Colleen Ribble	Duane Riha
Kathy Riha	Carol Storch	Curt Tucker
Kathleen Vasold	Warren Vasold	Korina Tucker
Gary Ell	Austin Smith	Eric Gladwish
Rick Riebschleger	Mark Piotrowski	Jason Wise
Andrea Paschall		

Committee Members Absent: Mike Curtiss (excused)

Others Present: Carl Hubinger Patricia Michael Stacy Oeming
Karen Potter Heidi Carrahan Janet Zuehlke
Various delegates also joined in on this Zoom Meeting.

*all attendees participated via conference/video call

Approval of Agenda

a. **Chairman Tucker asked for a motion to approve this agenda as printed.**

Motion by Suzanne Hall. Seconded by Rick Riebschleger.

Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

a. **Motion to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2023 Organizational Executive Committee meeting.**

Motion by Dane Couture. Motion was seconded.

Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

a. Treasurer Eric Gladwish presented a spreadsheet of current activities.

1. Membership Dues received for 2023 is \$2,260.00.
2. Donation of \$240.00 (Convention mailings).

b. Other expenditures:

1. Information Technology for Zoom and repair SCRP laptop \$140.00.
2. Postage \$162.00 (Convention).
3. Mailer printing \$256.00.
4. P.O. Box fees \$110.00.
5. Office supplies \$31.00 printing ballots and toner (Convention).
6. Hall rental \$250.00 (Convention).
7. Final total \$957.00
8. Ending cash balance \$1,831.00.

c. **Motion for reimbursement for cost of Convention credentials.**

1. Eric Gladwish presented the credential invoice for review of costs.
2. Expenditure was needed before approval (printing preparations) due to the date of Convention.
3. Andrea Paschall inquired if there were any other bids on printing. Chairman Tucker stated it would be a great help with Andrea Paschall's help in this area.
4. Some information was given to other vendors to process the credentials. Due to time/date restraints, this vendor was chosen to ensure the necessary time for preparation needed for Convention.
5. Jim Conger stated many printing companies in the area and he would assist going forward with quotes from others.

Motion by Chairman Tucker. Motion was seconded.

Motion carried.

Old Business

a. **SOUPer Bowl Event Updates** (Suzanne Hall)

1. The date is Thursday, February 9th, at Gideon Christ Community Church.
2. Doors open for soup at 6:00 p.m.

3. To donate or for further information, Chairman Tucker stated you may contact Suzanne at Email: suzahall1@charter.net or by phone 989-652-9807.

b. Candidates Attending and speaking at this Event (Debra Ell)

1. MIGOP Chair candidate Kristina Karamo
 2. Malinda Pergo for MIGOP Co-Chair
 3. Chuck Murphy for Grassroots Vice Chairman
 4. Bernadette Smith for Ethics Vice Chairman
 5. Curtiss Clark for Outreach Vice Chairman
 6. Rylee Linting for MIGOP Youth Chairman
- c. Eric Gladwish will be collecting dues that are not paid during this event. Members with dues still outstanding will have an invalid vote. Andrea Paschall attempt to Vote is invalid due to her dues being in arrears.
- d. Chairman Tucker stated taking up a free will offering for Pastor Chet for use of his facilities.

New Business – Saginaw County Republican Party Committee Updates

- a. Moving forward the plan is to take monthly meetings and turn them into an event as such.
- b. Events Committee** - Debra Ell shared that the March theme is St. Patrick's Day.
1. Currently planning Irish stew.
 2. Having Irish music.
- c. Delegate Recruitment & Support** - Eric Kowalewski shared his activities.
1. He aims to fill all 907 open seats.
 2. Eric sees great things happening.
 3. Eric Gladwish stated he wants anyone who loves this Country involved.
- d. Outreach Committee** - Connie Weil was not present and would like prayers.
1. Colleen Ribble also on Outreach Committee stated there is a request for blankets, towels and canned goods.
 2. A collection will be present at our February 9th meeting for these items.
- e. Prayer Committee** - Kathy Riha and Duane Riha spoke.
1. Their first prayer meeting was with the Tuckers and it went well.
 2. Prayed for convention and attendees of convention.
 3. Prayer requests were taken.
 4. Contact information for Kathy Riha, email: Kathy.riha@yahoo.com
phone: 989-860-6088
 5. Contact information for Duane Riha, email: dk_riha@yahoo.com
phone: 989-860-6098
 6. Prayer request such as hospital stays or have prayer needs.
 7. There has been inquires already about this group.
 8. Kathy stated they are considering in the future, a teaching on Biblical Civics through Wall Builders.
- f. Legislative Committee** – Suzanne Hall
1. Suzanne Hall stated we have checked our profiles of our Precinct Delegates.
 2. Four of the Delegates are excited to be part of the Legislative Committee.
 3. David Scharer, Kurt Demming, Ryan McReyolds, and Dr. deBari are on this committee.
 4. There is no Co-Chairman as of yet.
 5. If someone has an interest or ideas for the visions of this committee, we can research and give feedback.
- g. 8th District Support** – Gary Ell

1. Gary Ell stated he is not Chairman for this committee as stated in the agenda.
2. This committee is in need of a Chairman.
3. Gary Ell is Chairman of the Funding and Corporate Membership.

h. Website Update – Eric Kowalewski

1. Eric and Vicki Kowalewski will donate entire development, design process and host the website domain.
2. Need a content meeting to gather everyone's input.
3. Chairman Tucker shared the purpose of the website would be for storing meeting minutes for Delegates, all Bylaws and videos.
4. Eric Kowalewski stated the Website will also list the schedules.
5. Eric Gladwish asked to reach out to other counties that are similar to Saginaw to gauge what website traffic looks like.
6. Eric Kowalewski stated that this will keep the Committee connected as well as the Delegates.
7. Gary Ell stated that the Website will be used as repository for minutes.

i. Media Outreach, Facebook & Twitter – Karen Potter

1. Karen Potter stated that a private Facebook page is up and running.
2. We also have a forward facing Public Group page for recruitment.
3. Any Committee Chairs with events, please email Karen Potter at karenpotter2006@yahoo.com.
4. Karen Potter stated her need for guidance on what to share, especially on Twitter.
5. Karen Potter will need approval from Executive Committee on information to post.
6. Karen Potter will only use approved content.
7. You may call Karen Potter at 517-410-7113.
8. Karen Potter also offered to help with flyers and other needs.
9. Andrea Paschall asked if there has been movement to be on Truth Social. Karen Potter advised absolutely can be there.

Gary Ell and Debra Ell spoke of our need for help on these Committees. We need two Chairs for each committee, one EC Chair and one non EC Chair. Once Chairs are in place, they will be setting up their own meetings.

Gary Ell spoke on behalf of all the ongoing queries of the 274 Delegates, that they please send all questions to Gary Ell and Jim Conger. They both are in a position that they can answer questions in a timely manner.

Debra Ell spoke on behalf of the Trump Election Video she sent around. We need to keep vision of what we stand for. Trump made a statement for plans to protect our children against gender misinformation. Debra Ell asked to make a statement showing we support his plan as Saginaw County Republican Party.

Motion made by Debra Ell to put out a statement as Saginaw County Republican Party in support of Trumps plan to protect our children against gender misinformation.

Motion seconded. Nay motion by Andrea Paschall.

Motion Carried.

Jim Conger stated that as long as we have quorum, he briefly wanted to go over the Bylaws. He has much experience in this area. He joined Chair Tucker and VC Ell in doing our SCRPs Bylaws. Jim Flint was interested as well but is in Florida and would make things a bit more difficult. Jim stated he has read the

Bylaws of other counties as well as the Saginaw County Democratic Parties. The black type is from the old bylaws, new material is in blue and one section is in red and open for input. Some things were added to improve the SCRP. All input is welcome. Many hours have been put into the Bylaws and are closely aligned with Roberts Rules. We hope to vote on these in March.

Andrea Paschall stated that since we have no officers to become State Delegates, Joshia Jaster will be nominated as State Head for State Convention. For questions, Joshia is Delegation Chair for State and his contact is 810-247-8067 or joshiajaster@gmail.com.

Chairman Tucker stated this meeting is adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by Duane Riha. Motion seconded.

Motion carried.

Closing Prayer – Eric Kowalewski