

Jefferson County Republican Executive Committee

Minutes of Meeting

September 15, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice Chairman Colin Barton. Invocation was given by Colin Barton followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken, a quorum was present.

Mary Thomas, a candidate for Congressional District 2 was introduced as a guest. She will speak later in the meeting.

Quarterly RPOF meeting was held in Tampa, FL. Steve Rissman, State Committeeman, Susan Rissman, and Colin Barton, Vice Chairman attended. Steve reported on topics covered including

- VA Committee – Suggestions for contacting local veterans groups
- Republican Women – “Iron Jawed Angels” - a movie on Women’s Suffrage emphasizing the Republican role. Suggest showing as a movie night.
- Minority Committee
- Technology – Much attention was given to the use of technology. To use the State system requires a \$700 yearly fee. Have developed software that sorts voter and contributor lists.

Resignation of Clyde Simpson as Chairman and Diane Simpson as State Committeeman was announced. A motion was made to hold an election at the regularly scheduled meeting on October 20, 2015. Motion was seconded and passed. The ten day notice of the meeting will be sent out on October 10, 2015.

Mary Thomas, Republican Candidate for Congress spoke to the RPOF. She is a Land Use Attorney from Tallahassee who has worked for Governor Scott. She expressed her very conservative credentials and love of the country passed down from her immigrant parents. More information can be gained at: www.runwithmary.com. A fundraiser is being held in Tallahassee at Goodwood on September 22.

County Barbeque – Scheduled by the Chamber of Commerce on Highway 59 by I-10 in Lloyd the first week in November. Colin Barton suggested that we participate. Fred Beshears will inquire and get details and report back at the next meeting. Possibility of using this for a fund raiser.

Liaisons - Colin Barton suggested that we have a liaison to the City Commission, County Commission and Jefferson County School Board who would attend and report to the JCREC. Jane Vollertsen has volunteered for the School Board.

Jefferson County Homeschool Group - Colin feels this is one of the groups that we should be reaching out to. Beverly Sutphin pointed out that there may be other important groups to approach such as the Senior Citizens Center.

Dinner Meetings – Subject was discussed again. Perhaps a member sponsoring the meal, covered dish, brown bag, etc. Need to have an accurate RSVP. Steve and Susan Rissman will provide hamburgers for the meeting on October 20 at 6:00 p.m.

Fundraisers – Ideas for locations. The Senior Citizen was mentioned as having a nice facility. Might be possible for our regular meetings.

Vice Chairman Colin Barton read an e-mail from Clyde Simpson.

New Business – Beverly Sutphin made a motion to recognize Clyde and Diane each with an award of recognition for their many years of service. Sally and Beverly will work together to come with the award along with a letter of appreciation. Awards will be presented at the Nov. 17 meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Kiser, Secretary

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