

1 Introduction

The March meeting of the Linn County Republican Central Committee (LCRCC) was held at the Longbranch in Cedar Rapids, Iowa on March 18, 2013 at 7:30pm. Meeting adjourned at 8:57pm. Meet the Candidates was held before the LCRCC business meeting.

1.1 LCRCC Goals:

These are the goals that the LCRCC have adopted in 2013.

1. Integrity of Elections
2. Sustainable Visibility
3. Increased Republican Participation

Note: This section will now remain in the minutes to inform people what the goals of the LCRCC are.

1.2 LCRCC Responsibilities:

These are the responsibilities of the LCRCC in achieving these goals:

1. Caucuses
2. Conventions
3. Elections

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1.3 LCRCC Mission Statement:

- The Linn County Republican Central Committee works to elect Republicans in support of the principles, goals, and ideals of the Republican Party:
 - To educate the electorate
 - To inspire and cultivate leadership
 - To employ and develop the members' talents and abilities
 - To preserve for future generations our rights, liberties and privileges as Americans.

Note: This section will now remain in the minutes to inform people of what the Mission Statement of the LCRCC is.

2 Attendees:

The official number of people whom attended the March 18th, 2014 LCRCC meeting is **50**; the number of excused is **6**; the number of guest is **6**.

Note: This section will now be a standalone appendix to these meeting minutes. Reviewing & approval of this appendix will occur at each of the official LCRCC Tuesday night meetings each month.

3 Meeting Business

3.1 Invocation – Matthew O Neal (CR35)

3.2 Pledge of Alliance – John Haible (TSPR).

3.3 Agenda: Cindy Golding (TMON1)

- Cindy Golding asked for motion to approve the LCRCC March Business Agenda – MSP

3.4 Introduction of Dignitaries Present - Cindy Golding (TMON1)

- See Appendix A for the list of Guests & Dignitaries

3.5 Reports –

3.5.1 Secretary's Report – Mary Erzen (CR07)

- February 2014 Secretary Report & the Attendance Appendix passed out on the tables
- February 2014 Secretary Report approved as amended – to the Minutes & Attendance List.
- Secretary reminded people to check-in each time.
- The official LCRCC minutes will contain the list of attendee names as a standalone appendix A.

3.5.2 Treasurer's Report – Jim Conklin (MR06)

- No Treasurer's Report – Treasurer on vacation – February & March Treasurer's Report will be presented at the next LCRCC meeting.
- Pass the Bucket - \$122.25

3.5.3 State Central Committee –Dave Chung (CR31)

- Announced that AJ Spiker resigned as chair & elections for replacement will be March 29, 2014.
- Provided the LCRCC body presented a status of the State Central Committee which includes proposed new bylaws, proposed new constitutional amendments and other changes at the state, & national level.
- Asked the LCRCC to do their due diligence in keeping their eye on what is going on in Des Moines.
- The proposed changes will be posted to the Linn County Republican Central Committee website for the LCRCC body to review & comment on.

3.5.4 LCRCC Voter Data Team – Cindy Golding (TMON1) on behalf of Bruce Bernier (CR15)

See Appendix B for the presentation & List of Team Members.

3.5.5 Executive Board – Don Nelson (CR24)

- Provided a status on the Executive Board meeting that met on March 1st, 2013 at the LCRCC office.
 - Reviewed the LCRCC Constitution & ByLaws – copies on the tables for members present to review – will be presenting possible changes to the LCRCC body in the future.
 - Read to the LCRCC members present the LCRCC Mission Statement that was adopted in 2012. See Section 1.3.

3.5.6 Finance Team – Randy Lucore (HIA02)

- Provided a status of the Finance Team
 - Started the auditing of the treasurer's records from 2013 almost finished
 - Next meeting - March 24, 2013 – Auditing the Caucus, Christmas Party, & Convention

3.5.7 Convention Team – Randy Lucore (HIA02)

- Provided status on the County Convention
 - Finished two hours early thanks to Matthew O Neal's leadership in the Platform portion of the County Convention.
- Next meeting April 2nd 2014 – It will be posted on the LCRCC GOP website.

3.5.7.1 District Convention Credentials Team

- Representatives elected at County Convention were Julie Blumer & Justin Wasson
- Justin Wasson provided to the LCRCC members present the Credentialing procedures that will be in effect at the District Convention on April 26, 2014.
- **ID IS REQUIRED AT DISTRICT CONVENTION** for check-in.

3.5.7.2 District Convention Rules Team

- Representatives elected at County Convention were David Chung(CR31) & Jim Conklin (MR06).
- David Chung provided to the LCRCC members present the Rules that will be in effect at the District Convention on April 26, 2014.

3.5.7.3 District Convention Platform Team

- Representatives elected at County Convention were John Haible (TSPR), Tom Mark (MR12), Matthew O Neal (CR35) & Matthew Kearns (MR09).
- Matthew Kearns (MR09) provided to the LCRCC members present the Platform procedures that will be in effect at the District Convention on April 26, 2014

3.5.7.4 District Convention Organizational Team

- Representatives elected at County Convention were Jim Felker (HIA01) & Marilyn Felker (HIA01).
- Jim Felker provided to the LCRCC members present the list of the required people that will be helping in running the District Convention on April 26, 2014.

3.5.8 Communication Team – Bill Dahlsten (CR24)

- Provided a status on the Communication Team to the LCRCC members
- Need to work on the website & provide training to people whom need to make changes or add information to the website.
 - Working with the Organizational Team in training planning for the website.
 - Asked that if anyone attends any events like the parades, meetings & etc & they take pictures can post to Facebook or contact Bill Dahlsten for any assistance.

3.5.9 Events / Fundraising Team – Brenda Hart (CR24)

- Brenda Hart provided a status on the Events Team
- Announced that Dan Whetstone is the Chair for the Chili Cook-Off
- Announced other events being planned: Golf Outing, Family Style Barbeque Roundup, Holiday Party etc
- Announced Parade & Fair events – St Joseph’s Parade & Linn County Fair
- Next Meeting is April 14 at the Lone Star restaurant
- Cindy Golding made a public announcement that the LCRCC is a political organization not a 501c3 organization. The LCRCC can partner with those types of organizations.

3.5.10 Elections Team – Howard Ohsman (CR07)

- Provided a status of the Elections Team to the LCRCC members present.
- Thanked Harry Foster (CR25) for stepping forward in running against Rob Hogg
- See Appendix C for the list of open seats that candidates are needed.

3.5.11 Office Team – Matthew O’Neal (CR35)

- Presented an overview of the Office team
 - Presented the Office Hours:
 - Monday thru Friday 9am-12pm... 2pm-6pm
 - Saturdays will be reserved for special events/specific tasks to be done regarding LCRCC needs. (such as candidate volunteering/phone banking etc.)
 - *Please be sure to sign up for a time slot at your convenience
 - Need Office supplies
 - *Please do not donate things you would not want to use in your home! We want to have a representable office space. Thank you!
 - Asked for volunteers for the weekend of April 11th to help organize, paint & etc the LCRCC office. If interested contact Matthew O Neal (CR35)

3.5.12 Organization Team – Roger Walton (CR41)

- Presented a status on the Organizational Team.
 - Work with the Communication Team on training for the website to be held at Summit School, 1010 Regent Street NE on April 1, 2014.
- Presented an motion from the Organizational team
 - "I move that the LCRCC approve the formation of an ad hoc committee to complete the task of writing the committee "charters" which would be consistent with the bylaws. These charters would be reviewed by the Exec Board and presented to the body for final approval.
 - Point of Question was made (Mary Ernzen (CR07))– asking for clarification what is meant by Charters – Roger provided explanation and presented the people whom would be on the Ad Hoc Committee.
 - The committee members would be:
 Dr Don Nelson-current LCRCC co-chair – Ad Hoc Committee Chair
 Jim Dvorsky-former LCRCC chair
 Roger Walton-Org team Chair
 Renee Schulte-former elected official
 Gary Ellis-new member"
 - Point of Question was made (Justin Wasson) – asking which teams would this effect – Roger provided the list.
 - Committees to review:
 Organization Team
 Office Team
 Finance Team
 Communications Team
 Events Team
 Elections Team (candidates & elections)
 Advisory Board
 - Question asked about each committee creating their own charter – Don Nelson (CR24) provided an explanation that things were falling through the cracks, duplication and etc –thus formation of this Ad Hoc Committee
 Here's the reasoning:
 This committee make-up gives a broad perspective of experience and understanding.

The Organization team needs some help getting the committee descriptions completed within the guidelines of the constitution and bylaws. Much of the work has been started but it needs to be reviewed and completed.

This ad hoc committee will have the task of writing committee "**charters**"

Parameters:

- 1) Define the duties of each committee
- 2) Review the "charter" with the current committee chair.
- 3) Present the results to the exec board
- 4) Present final to LCRCC for approval.

We have an aggressive time line (can be modified) because we have many very important tasks to accomplish before the 2014 & 2016 elections:

- April 15 - Initial review with the current committee chairs
- May 12 - review with exec board
- May 20 - present to the body for approval
- John Haible (TSPR) brought up that only the 2 Precinct Representatives should be voting per ByLaws – Dan Kauffman (CR17) provided an explanation from a parliamentary point of view.
- A call to Question called by Richard Brice.
- A motion to table the Motion – Division called – A hand vote was taken – **Motion failed**
 - Point of Order was made by John Haible that only Precinct Representatives should be allowed to vote on these motions – Parliamentarians (Dan Kauffman (CR17) & David Chung (CR31)) agreed – vote retaken by- only the Elected Precinct Representatives will be allow to vote – on the honor system. Table the motion by hand vote – 11 for 24 against tabling – Motion of tabling – **Failed** / Motion to form the Ad Hoc Committee by hand vote – **motion passed.**

3.6 Old Business

- No Old Business.

3.7 New Business - Cindy Golding (TMON1)

- New Members voted in: **1** (See Appendix A: Attendee List)

3.7.1 Announcements – (See LCRCC website or Linn GOP Facebook for additional announcements)

- **Announcements must be presented to the chair before the meeting in writing. – See the Google Events Calendar**
- **Open Carry Night Wednesday March 19th at Town Country Godfathers– for more information contact Randy Lucore.**
- **St Joseph’s Day Parade, Saturday March 22nd – for more information contact Steve West**
- **Tea Party Meeting, Thursday March 27th at Town & Country Godfathers – for more information contact Randy Lucore**
- **County Convention Recap Meeting, Wednesday April 2nd at 7pm – for more information contact Randy Lucore**
- **Johnson County Central Committee Spring Fundraiser at the Coralville Marriot Thursday April 3rd – for more information contact Cindy Golding (TMON1)**
- **Lincoln Dinner at the Convention Center Friday April 11th – for more information contact David Chung**

3.8 Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting - Motion 2nd. MSP.

4 Appendix A: Attendance Information

See the LCRCC Secretary for this section.

5 Appendix B: LCRCC Voter Data Team Presentation

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6 Appendix C: List of Open Seats Presented by the Elections Team

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