

# Linn County Republican Central Committee

Meeting Minutes for January 20, 2015

## LCRCC Goals:

In 2013, the LCRCC adopted the following goals:

- Integrity of Elections
- Sustainable Visibility
- Increased Republican Participation

## LCRCC Responsibilities:

To achieve its goals, the LCRCC embraces these responsibilities:

- Caucuses
- Conventions
- Elections

## 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 Right, Liberties, and Privileges as Americans

## 1. Introduction

The Linn County Republican Central Committee held its monthly meeting at 7:00 pm on January 20, 2015, at the Longbranch Hotel and Convention Center in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. The meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

## 2. Attendees

There were sixty five (65) members in attendance on January 20, 2015. Two (2) members were excused, and fourteen (14) guests were present.

## 3. Meeting Business

### 3.1 Invocation: David Chung (CR31)

### 3.2 Pledge of Allegiance: Dan Hess (CR14)

### 3.3 Introduction of Dignitaries Present: Cindy Golding (TMON1)

### 3.4 Agenda: Cindy Golding (TMON1)

**MOTION: Althea Cole (CR07) To amend the agenda to remove the timeframe and remain in session until all business has been completed with a quorum.** Discussion held. **RESOLVED: Motion Failed.**  
Agenda approved.

### 3.5 Guest Speakers

David Chung, State Central Committee  
Jeff Kaufmann, Chair, Republican Party of Iowa

### 3.6 Minutes Approved

### 3.7 Reports

#### 3.7.1 Executive/Advisory: Don Nelson (CR24)

Provided a summary from the Executive/Advisory meeting held January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015.  
Reported that the Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board will send a letter once a conclusion has been reached on DR-2 findings.

**3.7.2 Treasurer's Report: Jim Miller, Interim Treasurer (CR11)**

Presented the Treasurer's report.

Presented a 2015 budget.

Interim Treasurer recommends postponing voting on approved budget due to extensive detail needing proper consideration.

**MOTION: To postpone voting on the budget until the body has had time to properly review it.** Discussion was held. **RESOLVED: Motion Passed.**

**MOTION: Robin Tucker (CR25) To accept the expenses listed between October 14<sup>th</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014.** Discussion was held. **RESOLVED: Motion Passed.**

**3.7.3 Finance Report: Randy Lucore (HIA02)**

Finance Team recommends dropping property coverage.

**MOTION: To drop property coverage from current insurance policy.** Discussion was held. **Resolved: Motion passed.**

**MOTION: To pay the cost of \$324.00 for an annual subscription to Quickbooks Online.**

Discussion held. **RESOLVED: Motion Passed.**

**MOTION: Jim Conklin (MR06) To suspend the rules to extend the Finance Committee report to finish the remaining motions from the Finance Committee.** **RESOLVED: Motion Failed.**

**3.7.4 Events Report: Brenda Hart (CR24)**

Provided a report on recent events.

Chili Cook-Off: Income of \$509.00, expense of \$1.00. Total profit: \$508.00.

Holiday Party: Income of \$1896.00, expense of \$1632.00. Total profit: \$264.00

No events planned in future.

Christmas parade: Expense of \$35.00; was highly successful.

**3.7.5 Office Report: Matt O'Neal (CR35)**

Volunteers are needed to assist with Office Committee.

The committee is looking to create a database of meeting minutes to be freely and openly accessed, and will be contacting individuals with applicable talents.

Future meetings are Jan 27<sup>th</sup>, Feb 10<sup>th</sup>, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30.

**3.7.6 Credentials Report: Julie Blumer (TBRO)**

There was not an official Credentials count, but 65 representatives are confirmed to be seated. **(After the meeting, it was confirmed that 54 representatives were credentialed.)**

There was a Credentials meeting Jan 16<sup>th</sup> to discuss possible rules for the upcoming Executive elections. The Credentials Committee voted to recommend the following rules:

- Alternate delegates be seated in the order they are listed on Form A from the Caucus
- Voting rights be extended only to members elected before December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014
- No loitering be allowed by the Credentials table(s)
- All who are in line by the cutoff time have the opportunity to apply for credentials

There was discussion regarding the recommendations. Proposed rules will be published prior to the February meeting and approved by the Central Committee at the February meeting. There will be a Credentials meeting Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at the Longbranch.

**3.7.7 Webmaster: James Knox (CR04)**

Webmaster presented report pertaining to web usage and software recommendations.

**3.7.8 Communications Report: Bill Dahlsten (CR24)**

There was discussion on both the Facebook fan page and group page. Committee strongly recommends against automated posting. There have been recent problems with inappropriate posting on the Facebook and web pages.

**MOTION: Jim Conklin, (MR06) To postpone any new expenditures for Facebook or webpage until the Communications Committee has had an opportunity to coordinate with RPI.** Discussion was held.

**AMENDMENT: Ann Rosenthal (CR10) Amend the motion to allow for a decision on security software.** Discussion was held. **RESOLVED: Amendment passed.**

**MOTION NOT RESOLVED. (Chair declined to proceed with vote per time constraints.)**

**3.8 Old Business**

**MOTION FROM OCTOBER 2014 MEETING: To remove Brent Oleson (MR14) from Central Committee membership due to Constitutional violations for openly endorsing an opposing candidate.** Discussion was held. **RESOLVED: Motion Passed.**

**3.9 New Business**

**MOTION: Randy Lucore (HIA02) To seek a third-party legal investigation into changes made to the signature card on the LCRCC checking account. MOTION NOT RESOLVED. (Chair declined to address motion.)**

**MOTION: Althea Cole (CR07) To suspend the rules and extend the meeting to complete items under New Business. MOTION NOT RESOLVED. (Chair declined to accept motion.)**

No new members were voted in, as the meeting adjourned before the item could be addressed.

**3.9.1 Announcements: Don Nelson (CR24)**

Meeting adjourned before announcements could be brought forth. Please see the LCRCC website or Linn County GOP, Iowa Facebook page for all announcements.

**All announcements must be submitted in writing to Dr. Nelson prior to 8:00pm.**

**3.10 Adjournment**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN: James Knox (CR04) RESOLVED: Motion passed.**

**4. Appendix A: Attendance Information**

Please see the LCRCC Secretary for this information.