

Road Map to Victory 2016 - 510 Days to Election 2016

Longbranch Hotel & Convention Center
90 Twixt Town Rd. NE, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

Candidate Time - 6:30 pm

- Walt Rogers - Rick Santorum
- Alex Etgeton - Lindsay Graham
- Dick Church (HIA01) - Dr. Ben Carson
- Quentin Marquez - Gov. Rick Perry
- Jordan Wiggans - Sen. Marco Rubio
- James Knox (CR04) - Sen. Ted Cruz

Call to Order – 7:00 Cindy Golding (TMON1), Chair

Invocation - Rep. Walt Rogers (HD20)

Pledge of Allegiance - Paul Pelletier (CR15)

Guest Introductions - Althea Hasse, Phil Shook, Fred Hubler, Marv Lewis, Terry Quick, Nathan Hohnstein, Jack Mescher, Jordan Wiggans, Alex Etgeton and Quentin Marquez.

Guest Speaker - Walt Rogers - Legislative Session Report, Jack Mescher - Rod Blum Report

Announcements

- Jack Mescher - June 30th Veteran Job Fair on May's Island, 1-5 pm.
- Nathan Hohnstein -Americans for Prosperity
- Steve West (HIA01) - Freedom Fest Parade - June 27th, setup at 8:00 am and 10:00 am parade.
- Emma Nemecek (TBER) - Linn County Fair - June 24th thru June 29th - need volunteers, July 25th Asian Fest at the McGrath Amphitheater, noon to 10 pm.
- Brett Mason (CR06) Iowa Ethics and Campaign Disclosure Board - Ethics Training, Cedar Rapids Library, July 10th

Approve Agenda - Secretary stated there is a quorum. Brenda Hart (CR27), motion to approve the agenda. MSP

Pass the Hat - In progress

Minutes - May minutes, Paul Pelletier moved to approve and seconded. Marvin Spragg moved to amend the minutes "to strike paragraph on bottom of page to top of page three." Emma Nemecek called the Question. MP. Motion on the Amendment, "to strike paragraph on bottom of page to top of page three." Division. (Vote count not captured) Amendment Failed. Motion to approve the May minutes, motion passed.

Executive Committee Report

Co-Chair Brett Mason

- Caucus update with RPI.
- Kudos to Brenda Hart for organizing the Lincoln Dinner and raising \$1880 to help elect Republicans. Fund raising budget needs to be adjusted.
- Kudos to webmaster James Knox for recognition of the LCRCC website and receiving recognition from other Counties for supporting their social media. James received a letter of commendation and appreciation from Clayton County Central Committee for his help recovering their website. James is helping more than ten counties with their web sites.
- Longbranch Contract Review
- Announce any Membership changes - none to report.

Chair Cindy Golding.

- Explained the candidates are funneling contacts through the Chair.
- Explained the sensitivity of accurate input to the media so things are not mis-reported.
- Some internal issues have been reported to the national media which does not reflect positively on the LCRCC.

Robin Tucker - Treasurer Report

- May Treasurer Report - handed out and presented.
- Lincoln Dinner - Asked that people who paid Elmcrest directly for the Lincoln Dinner to complete an in kind donation form and return it to the Treasurer.
- Promised a complete accounting of the Lincoln Dinner that explains how \$1880 was earned as revenue.
- Longbranch Contract - Received a contract to pay \$125 for a room on the third Tuesday of each month thru the 17th of November. The Longbranch would not commit to 2016.
- 2014 Audit Report - presented a status.

Matt O'Neal moved, "That the 2014 Audit Team complete their work by July 17th," seconded. James Knox moved to amend, "If the Audit is not completed by August 18th the LCRCC shall hire a CPA to complete the audit." Seconded. Question called by Brenda Hart and passed. Amendment fails. Jim Conklin moved to amend the original motion to be August 18th." Seconded. The amendment passed. The motion, "That the 2014 Audit Team complete their work by August 18th" passed.

Fundraising Team - Brenda Hart

- Linn County Fair Volunteers Needed
- Chili Cook-off - called for candidate representatives to participate in the Chili Cook-off. There are also people's choice awards.
- BBQ - Given the cancellation of the GOP Straw Poll - reconsidering the date. Looking for a September date instead of August 9th.
- First Inaugural Reagan Breakfast - October 3rd.
- Caucus Fundraisers - looking at the prior evening and/or breakfast on the day of the Caucus
- RAGBRAI - July 23rd - seeking volunteers to support - Mary Day offered her corner for a location. There is a pre-event June 28th at Guthridge Park. Steve West, Brenda Hart, Eric Rosenthal and Mike and Debbie Dupree volunteered to help.

Caucus - Paul Pelletier

- John Haible moved "to suspend the time until business is completed", seconded and failed.
- Status of Caucus Team efforts summarized. Thanks to team members for their efforts.
- Laid out a decision plan with a matrix to make decisions on venues. Currently seeking locations with a report planned next month.

Convention Team - Dan Hess

- The Clarion has been selected, contract under review, deposit check in progress.
- Working on menus, determining charge to attendees, identifying keynote speakers and convention chair. Looking for a volunteer for the Team.

Marketing and PR Team - Frank Sladek

- Video competition announced. LCRCC Members asked to create 15 second videos with themes about electing Republicans.

0830 Meeting Adjourned

Excused Absence and Meeting Attendance - Contact the Chair by phone at (319) 423-9467 or email the Secretary at Secretary@LinnCountyGOP.com.

Minutes prepared by Gary Ellis, Secretary Linn County Republican Central Committee.