

New Kent County Republican Committee (NKCRC)

Regular Committee Meeting Minutes

August 20, 2024

Location: New Kent Christian Center

9660 Tunstall Road, New Kent, VA 23124

7:00PM

1. Call to Order and Welcome

Mr. Jake Westbrook, Unit Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM

2. Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, and RPV Creed

a. The Invocation was led by Pastor Wayne Meade.

b. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Jake Westbrook.

c. The Republican Creed was read by Mr. Jake Westbrook.

3. Quorum Declaration

a. Mr. Jake Westbrook appointed the following individuals to the Proxy Committee:

Pat Bell, Jane Ladd, Joni Gant, Beth Trivette

b. The Proxy Report yielded the following information:

10 voting proxies: 10 approved, 0 denied

255 approved members: 25% = 64

108 members in attendance + 10 proxies = 118

4. Approval of Minutes

The 4/18/2024 were read by Mr. Jake Westbrook. Mr. Greg Reimer moved to approve them as presented. Mrs. Cheyenne Hawkins seconded the motion. All in favor.

5. Treasurers Report/ Proposed Budget

Dr. George McBeath offered the Treasurers report which yielded the following information:

\$12,698.03 is the new balance June 1, 2024 after combining all three accounts.

\$ 1,740.00 in disbursements

\$10, 958.03 ending balance

Dr. George McBeath commended the budget committee whose members included Mr. Baird Jones, Mrs. Pat Bell, and Mrs. Laura Ecimovic. The proposed budget was then presented to the unit. After a brief discussion, Mr. Greg Reimer moved to approve the budget as presented. Mrs. Pat Bell seconded. All in favor

6. Membership

Mr. Leonard Erquiza offered the following membership update:

255 active members

13 associate members

7. Recognition of Elected Officials

a. Senator Ryan McDougle

b. Delegate Scott Wyatt

c. Delegate Amanda Batten

d. Jeff Reyer, RPV

e. Thomas Evelyn, BOS

f. John Moyer, BOS

g. Ron Stiers, BOS

h. Jordan Stewart, BOS

i. Charles Evelyn, Treasurer

j. Greg Reimer, School Board

k. Ron Vaught, School Board

l. Helena Cunha, School Board

8. Guest Speaker Mrs. Amy Pearson

9. Business

a. Bylaws Committee report

1. Mr. Jake Westbrook commended Paul Robinson and the entire Bylaws Committee for the thorough and timely submission of the proposed ByLaws update. He further stated that a copy had been provided to the Executive Committee for their review.

b. Audit Committee report

1. Mrs. Carrie Eveyln reported that a copy of the Audit Committee report had been provided to the Executive Committee for their review.

c. Presentation by Dr. Peter Lerner

d. Endorsement of the District 3 candidate

Chairman Jake Westbrook gave a brief explanation on the difference between an endorsement and a nomination.

Mrs. Mary Belcher moved to endorse Amy Pearson as the District 3 Supervisor. Mr. Andy Shine seconded.

Mr. Mark Daniel made a subsequent motion to endorse Peter Lerner as the District 3 Supervisor. Mr. Tom English seconded.

A discussion ensued where it was noted that neither candidate was a member of the unit and that neither had met the deadline for nomination, so it was a level playing field for both. Mr. Jake Westbrook also talked briefly about the GOP Database and cautioned unit members about using it as a basis for party affiliation, stating it was not a very trustworthy source. Mr. Mark Daniel was out of order on two separate occasions interrupting the Chairman as he was speaking. On both occasions he received a warning from Mr. Jake Westbrook. On Mr. Mark Daniels third interruption, Chairman Jake Westbrook asked Mr. Mark Daniel to leave the premises.

Considerable discussion continued. Mr. Clayton Evelyn made a call for the previous question. Mr. Chris Baker seconded. On the subsequent motion to endorse Peter Lerner: 22 in favor. 77 opposed. The subsequent motion failed. On the original motion to endorse Amy Pearson: 81 in favor, 12 opposed. The original motion carried.

e. Sign Updates

Representatives from both the Trump and Wittman campaigns gave a brief update on sign availability

10. Adjournment

Mrs. Cheyenne Hawkins moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Aaron Hawkins seconded the motion. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM