

SAINT LUCIE COUNTY REPUBLICAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES FOR June 14, 2022

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM, a quorum with 67 members present.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by and invocation by June Lamson.
3. Chairman's message:
 - A. Chairman Nail introduced elected officials and candidates: Dana Trabulsy, Stephany Morgan, Anthony Bonna, Mary Ann Russell, Bryan Capp, Donnita Graben, Jamie Lee Fowler, Martha Hornsby, Mike Friend and Susan Cedano,.
 - B. Chairman Nail asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the May 17 meeting. Motion by Chad Miller and second by Mike Mulleady, Motion carried.
 - C. Chairman Nail stated that the printing budget for the primary would be \$15,000 and that we already had \$5000 budgeted. He asked for a motion to adjust the budget and additional \$10,000. Motion by Chad Miller to spend an additional \$10,000 seconded by Ana Gomez Malanda. Motion carried.
 - D. Russ Ansley Treasurer offered comments about financial status of the REC. We currently have \$43,700 in the bank and all bills have been paid. Sufficient funds are available for the campaign printing expenditure. Russ reminded all that before committing the REC to financial expenses they must be approved by the chair and treasurer as well as completion of an Authorization Form (Attached) . This policy has been in place for two years.
4. Special Event, Indorsement of Republican candidates.
 - A. Chairman Nail announced that we would have a special program outlined in our bylaws as Rule #8. Rule #8 allows the REC to endorse for election one Republican candidate over other Republican candidates in a primary election. He stated that he would ask for a motion to endorse all Republican candidates who did not have a Republican challenger in the August primary. These candidates included, Gayle Harrell, Toby Overdorf, Dana Trabusky, Erin Grall, Shannon Martin, Anthony Bonna, Larry Leet, Brian Capp, Donnita Graben and Troy Ingersoll.
 - B. Judy Glass moved to approve that all of the Republican candidates listed be endorsed with a second by Ana Gomez Malanda, the motion carried.
 - C. To approve Rule #8 for candidates with challengers Chairman Nail asked for a motion to adopt Rule #8, Motion by Ken Leedam, second by Bob Post, the motion carried.
 - D. Mary Ann Russell was asked to call the roll and as members were identified as present, they were given an envelope with colored ballots.
 - E. Chairman Nail stated that two incumbents faced Republican Challengers. Brian Mast and Stephany Morgan. He then explained that each incumbent and each challenger would be given three (3) minutes to speak to the REC members. Bob Post would be the time keeper. Chairman Nail introduced Jeffery Buongiorno, candidate for Florida

District 21 US House of Representatives. Mr. Buongiorno spoke for the allotted time. Brian Mast, incumbent in Congressional District 18 being a candidate for Congressional District 21 (due to the 2020 census redistricting) could not attend, however, he had prepared a three-minute video which was played to the membership.

- F. Once the candidates had an opportunity to address the membership, the members were instructed to fill out the ballot for these candidates indicating whether the REC would endorse Brian Mast with a YES or NO. The ballots were collected by the Teller Committee and taken out of the room to count.
 - G. Due to the uniqueness of this meeting Chairman Nail paused the endorsement proceedings and continued with normal business until the endorsement count was completed.
5. Good of the order.
- A. June Lamson announced that the School Board Committee had been working hard with the Kid's first and other organizations. She provided information about an upcoming School Board Candidate Forum, (attached).
 - B. Anthony Bonna reminded members that he was having a campaign event on Thursday 6/16.
 - C. Leigh Lamson announced that the Tea Party would have the annual Pot Luck dinner .
 - D. Sheri Propis reminded the membership that she was maintaining the REC website calendar for the communication committee, as such, events should be sent to her for posting.
 - E. Good of the Order, Susan Cedenro told the members that the CFRW meeting next Saturday would be a viewing of the documentary 2000 Mules.
 - F. Vickie Wolf reminded all to keep an eye on the REC calendar for weekend of action activities for training and canvassing.
6. Return to Candidate indorsement.
- A. The teller committee returned to the meeting and Mary Ann Russell announced that the membership had voted to indorse Brian Mast for US Congress District 21.
 - B. Chairman Nail announced that the next order of business was the balloting for to endorse Stephany Morgan for Saint Lucie County Commission District 1. Chairman Nail announced the challenger, Kevin Zimmerman was invited to address the membership, however, Mr. Zimmerman was not present. Stephany Morgan was invited to speak and she did so for three minutes.
 - C. The membership was instructed to indicated on the appropriate colored ballot slip the endorsement of Stephany Morgan by indicating YES or NO on the Ballot.

7. Regular Business continued while ballots were being counted.
 - A. Vice Chair, Chad Miller asked for guest to stand and introduce themselves.
 - B. New Member being sworn in were asked to move to the front of the room and were introduced. They left the room while a motion to accept the four new members was made by Jan Copeland, second by Judy Glass, the motion carried. The new members returned to the meeting and took the loyalty oath.

New members of the REC include: Karen Byrne-Precinct 42, Henrietta Dwyer-Precinct 16, Maria Nette-Precinct 23, Stuart Grifel-Precinct 43.

8. Chairman Nail invited candidates attending the REC meeting to speak for a few minutes. Marth Hornsby, Jamie Lee Fowler, James Clasby and Brian Capp spoke briefly.
9. Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20.

Minutes submitted by Kim Dabe, Secretary

See Attachments below.

21-001

St Lucie County Republican Party
Purchase / Requisition Form



Date: _____

Requesting Committee or Individual:

Item Requested Description:

MAJOR PURCHASES

*If Cost Exceeds \$1,000.00, Purchase must be approved by **The Executive Board** PRIOR to Acquisition. Two signatures are required for each such transaction neither of which can be the Requestor. 3 VENDOR QUOTES if possible, for Major purchases.*

Purpose or Benefit of Purchase:

Quantity	Item # / Order Description	Unit Price		Extended Price
		Request Total:		\$0.00

MAJOR PURCHASE

Vendor 1		Phone #		Quote	\$0.00
Vendor 2		Phone #		Quote	\$0.00
Vendor 3		Phone #		Quote	\$0.00

Vendor Choice and Reason:

		EXECUTIVE BOARD APPROVED?		YES	NO
Notes:					

Notes:

Signature 1

Name

Title

Signature 2

Name

Title

Saint Lucie County Republican Executive Committee

ARTICLE VIII. ENDORSEMENTS

Section 1. The Executive Committee reserves the right to endorse candidates in all party primaries and non-partisan races in accordance with the Republican Party of Florida's Rule 8.

- A. Endorsements may be considered by the Executive Committee in any election cycle.
- B. Before any such endorsement may be considered under this section, a motion to allow endorsements in the current election cycle must be passed by an affirmative vote of seventy-five percent (75%) of members present at a duly called meeting. Such affirmative vote must also qualify as a majority of voting members of the Executive Committee.
- C. After endorsements are approved as described in paragraph B of this section, the Committee may then endorse a specific Republican candidate in a primary or non-partisan election by a seventy-five percent (75%) affirmative vote of those present and voting at a duly called meeting and also providing that the total affirmative vote represents a majority of the full committee.
- D. The members of the Executive Committee and all registered Republican candidates in the race for which endorsement is sought must be notified by U.S. Mail, electronic mail or FAX as required by statute or rule, that an endorsement vote will be considered. It shall be the responsibility of the Chairman of the Republican Executive Committee to ensure that the notification has been delivered at least ten (10) days before the vote for endorsement.
- E. All votes to endorse a candidate shall be made by secret ballot.
- F. All candidates in other races will be considered as being equally qualified and receive equal support from the Executive Committee in accordance with the Candidate Guidelines.
- G. Once the Committee has voted to consider endorsements, the following procedure shall be followed in any vote to endorse a candidate in a particular election.
 - i. Any member of the Executive Committee who wishes the membership to consider endorsement of a particular candidate shall

present in writing, to the Executive Board, a request to propose endorsement of a candidate at the next Executive Committee meeting.

- ii. The request shall be accompanied by a written consent by the candidate that he/she will accept the endorsement of the Executive Committee if granted.
- iii. Upon a majority vote of the Executive Board, the Chairman shall place a resolution for endorsement on the next Executive Committee meeting in which a ten (10) day notification can be achieved.

- H. All candidates in other races will be considered as being equally qualified and receive equal support from the Executive Committee in accordance with the Candidate Guidelines.
- I. While an individual member of the Executive Committee, other than the Chairman, may endorse a Republican candidate in a primary election, they may not use the official stationery of the Executive Committee in making such an endorsement unless the Executive Committee has made such an endorsement as authorized under these By-Laws and the endorsement is consistent with the Committee's action.
- J. Neither the Executive Committee Chairman nor anyone gainfully employed by the Executive Committee shall endorse any Republican in a primary campaign unless such candidate has been properly endorsed by the Executive Committee under the provision of these By-Laws.
- K. Candidates may, but are not required to, seek endorsement by the Executive Committee. Should circumstances arise that the endorsement is no longer appropriate, the endorsement shall be withdrawn. The Executive Committee reserves the right to withdraw an endorsement by a seventy-five percent (75%) vote of those present and voting at a duly called meeting, providing that the total affirmative vote represents a majority of the full committee and provided that a notice of intent to withdraw an endorsement shall be mailed to the committee and the candidate at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting.



School Board Candidate Forum

FRIDAY JUNE 17TH AT 6PM

Invited to Participate

District 1: Debbie Hawley & Brian Capp

District 3: Donna Mills & Donnita Graben

District 5: Troy Ingersoll & Arndrea Dampier

Meet & Greet the Candidates from 6 - 6:45pm

Forum begins at 7pm

Bring your questions & Concerns

**Grace Emmanuel Church
707 Kitterman Rd Port St Lucie**

Hosted by
Treasure Coast Community Impact Team

Sponsored by
Florida Citizens Alliance
FRC Action
Heritage Action
SLC Kids First Team

Moderator: Sandy Krischke, Chair of Board of Trustees
at IRSC, Founder & Executive Director of
Independence Classical Academy

For further information call 772-342-2155



LINK TO REPUBLICAN WOMENS FEDERATED EVENT

<https://stluciegop.org/event/d-a-michels-author-courageously-broken-treasure-coast-women-federated-club-monthly-luncheon-meeting/>