

Saint Lucie County Republican Executive Committee
Minutes of the Executive Board
August 3, 2022

Meeting called to order by Chairman Nail at 6:00

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Nail followed by the invocation by Butch Post.

Executive Board members present: Kenny Nail, Chad Miller, Kim Dabe, Russ Ansley, Anthony Bonna and Butch Post. Mary Ann Russell was absent.

Guest in attendance included: Mike Decker, Ana Gomez Malanda, and John Larry Jennings.

The meeting was called to order

Steering Committee reports: Chad Miller took the gavel for this portion of the meeting.

1. Kim Dabe reported that several members had exceeded the threshold for attendance and would be contacted to determine their future membership. Kim will offer a motion to create an Associate Member position within the REC structure. See attached discription and motion.
2. Russ Ansley offered comments as treasurer. We currently have a balance in checking of 23K. Office is costing \$2,350 each month.... exceeding budget projections. It is recommended that we ask for a volunteer at the next REC meeting to act as assistant treasurer.
3. Election integrity is now run by the RPOF with Vicky Wolf being a paid employee. Ana Gomez Malanda briefly discussed the VBM drip off box policy.
4. Mike Decker commented on fundraising activities. We still do not have a speaker for a LDD. Anthony Bonna and Susan Auld are making calls to donors to raise money. Butch continues to work on Business Directory with Mike Mulleaday....this action will become more active after primary on the 23rd. Kenny reached out to Ken Pruitt to ask for fundraising assistance.
5. Kenny Nail asked for motions:
 - a. Kim Dabe submitted a written motion with related details:

To recommend to the REC membership the creation of an Associate Membership to the Saint Lucie County REC. Associate members will have no voting privileges and no attendance requirement. Associate membership will be granted to individuals who have demonstrated exceptional support for the SLC REC by:

1. Exceptional participation in party functions
2. Strong financial support
3. Exceptional volunteering activities
4. Volunteering as an REC office worker
5. Other activities recognized by the Executive Board.

Associate Member candidates must be recommended by an active REC member. Candidates will be reviewed by the REC Executive Board and accepted or rejected based on a majority vote of the Board.

The Associate membership appointments will expire when the Executive Board term ends every two years. The newly elected Executive Board will consider the new class of Associate Members.

The motion was seconded by Butch Post, Motion passed.

6. Kenny Nail shared that the campaign committee currently had an approved budget of \$15,000 and would like to spend an additional \$5000. Kim Dabe and Russ Ansley reminded all that the bank balance should never be stressed below \$10,000 which would allow a 4-5 month reserve for the office operations. A motion by Chad Miller was put forth to allow the campaign committee to increase budget by \$5,000, second by Butch Post, motion carried.
7. Kenny Nail informed all that he would like to notify the REC that he would ask for a Rule 8 endorsement of Richard DeToro for his candidacy for Sheriff in 2024. A motion to recommend this was offered by Anthony Bonna and seconded by Chad Miller, motion carried.
8. A motion to approve the June EB minutes put forth by Kim Dabe, second by Chad Miller, motion carried.
9. For the Good of the Order: Gov. DeSantis will not endorse our school board candidates.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30

Minutes submitted by Kim Dabe, Secretary