

Republican Executive Committee

Saint Lucie County

Minutes of the Republican Executive Committee Meeting

January 9, 2025

As submitted by Jennifer Love, SLC REC Secretary

66 Members present

Meeting called to order by Chairman Joe James at 6:08pm

Opening Prayer led by James Thoma

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Opening comments by Chairman James:
 - a. Welcomed members and guests to first REC "Proud to be an American."
 - b. Introduced Mr. Thoma as the Chaplain for the REC, goal is to introduce non-voting Christians
 - c. Congratulations to Republicans on bills passed and defeated
 - d. Addressed the financial status of the REC, putting forth ideas for financial growth
 - e. Robert Rules of Order: everyone has a voice, goal is Fairness. Meeting will keep on track, one person speaking at a time.
 - f. Introduction of Patty Marchesi new REC Chair for Martin County
2. Swearing in of new members: Giovanni Barbieri, Willard Dover, James Clasby, Donna Jean Fox, Jeffery Guertin, Charlotte Kennedy, Larry Leet, Troy Norman, Maria Theresa Notte, Onno Robert Post, Joseph Rosen, Richad Solinski and Peter Webb
3. Approval of December minutes: Motion made by Kim Dabe, second by Alan Love, motion passed
4. Treasure report given by Debra Swanson: balance as of 1/9/25 \$7,824.51

**Susan Auld suggested contacting local CEOs for donations and or sponsorships

5. State Committeewoman Laura Roscoe and State Committeeman Anthony Bona both spoke about the RPOF, electing new board for the State of Florida. The meeting starts 1/10/25-1/11/25 in Tallahassee. Both are endorsing Evan Power for Chairman.
6. Guest Speaker: Toby Oberdorf
 - a. Will be attending Trump's inauguration; Great month for America and Freedom
 - b. Florida is the winning state, first or second across the nation no debit
 - c. Will be helping with the immigration problem
 - d. Address insurance concerns
 - e. January is Human Trafficking Month
 - f. House Bill 1669 -elections
 - g. Questions from audience
7. Committee Chairs:
 - a. Events: Scott Brown
 - b. Hospitality: Butch Post
 - c. Membership: Sharon Sorenson
 - d. Sargeant at Arms: Jeff Haibach
 - e. Veteran: Brian Kapp
 - f. Voter Registration: Barry Mucklow
 - g. Office Manager: vacant
 - h. Communications: vacant
8. New Business:
 - a. Preferred Business Directory-handout given to recruit member suggestions of loyal venders (10) they have used. Will establish directory on website. Cost to vendor will be \$100.00 per year. If sponsoring an event over \$500.00, one year free.
 - b. James Glasby donated \$1,776.00 to the REC
 - c. Cathy Townsend has announced she will be running for Supervisor of Elections
 - d. Sue Mori received the Red Elephant Award for volunteering
 - e. Upcoming Events/ Announcements:
 - Seafood Festival- January 25th and 26th
 - Saint Lucie County Fair- February 28th -March 9th
 - Clay Shoot (March 29th) Law and Order Dinner (TBD), Lincoln Day Dinner (TBD) and Golf Tournament (TBD)
 - f. Inauguration watch luncheon Tutto Fresco 1/20/25, 11am-1:pm
 - g. Mark Gotz suggests we audit the last vote

9. Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm: motion by Larry Leet, second by Kim Dabe