Minutes for the December 19, 2017 Mason County Republican Executive Committee Meeting

This meeting is our annual Christmas Party and all were invited to join us for potluck at 6pm with short meeting following at the meeting room in the Lakeshore Resource Network Center in Ludington. Carolyn Cater called the meeting to order.

Members and others attending: Commissioners Steven Hull and Janet Andersen, 101rst District Representative Curt VanderWall and his wife Diane, Jim Bachelder, John Beckett and his wife Catherine, Carolyn Cater, Rosemarie DeLoof, Cathy Ingraham, Carole Johnson, John Kreinbrink, Nancy Mauer, Lyla McClelland, Rod Merill, Tim Muldoon, Rebecca Robinson, Hank and Joyce Wykretowicz, guests Heather Vandervest, Kris and Roland Struve, Erin Cater, Phil and Linda DeVries, Charlie Robinson, Jennifer Smeltzer, John Wells, Matt Kooiman (Huizenga Office) and Steve Begnoche for the Ludington Daily News. Absent with excuse were Sheriff Kim Cole, Cheryl and D. Wayne Kelly.

We had the pleasure of also welcoming these candidates. Bob Young for US Senate, Bob Car for US Senate, Mary Treder Lang for Secretary of State, Tonya Schuitmaker for Attorney General, Ray Franz for Michigan 35th Senate District and Bruce Rendon for Michigan 35th Senate District.

Due to the attendance of 6 candidates joining us and wanting to hear from each of them Rose DeLoof made the motion to adjourn the meeting to give them enough time. We also wanted to hear from Representative Curt VanderWall about what is going on at the State and a wrap up of the year. Jim Bachelder supported the motion and it passed.

After we all had some time to get some dinner the candidates were invited to begin speaking. There was also time to mingle and get to know the candidates and ask questions. They brought and distributed information about their campaigns. Matt Kooiman requested a couple minutes to update us about Huizenga.

Minutes: There was a paper copy of the minutes for members to view and comments and corrections were to be made after the candidates had all spoken during a closing time. The date for the Bus Trip had been recorded as April 10 when it should have been April 5th.
Lyla McClelland needed to speak about the Capitol Bus Trip for a few minutes as we wrapped up. She had brought sponsorship applications and encouraged each of us as members to sponsor at least one child. So April 5th if all details are worked out is the date planned on and we need to get the sponsorship monies in the next 2 months. This will be brought up at the next meeting which will be January 16th at 6:30 with the location to be announced.

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