

Minutes for the Jan 19,2016 Mason County Republican Executive Committee meeting.

John Kreinbrink called the meeting to order.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance led by John Beckett.

Minutes were accepted as submitted via email to members by Rebecca Robinson.

Treasurer Report was presented by Paul McCrath with usual documents submitted including the Balance Sheet as of Dec 31, Profit and Loss Budget vs. Actual for Jan 2016, and the Expense Detail for Jan 2016. Report was accepted.

Present: John Kreinbrink, Jim Bachelder, John Beckett, Sheriff Kim Cole, Hank and Joyce Wykretowicz, Paul McCrath, Rod Merrill, Cathy Ingraham, Rebecca and Charlie Robinson, Susan Boes, John Schulke, Lyla McClelland. Phil DeVries excused. Regular guests: Andrew Kmetz county treasurer, Cheryl Kelly county clerk, Peter Ochs, Commissioner Wally Taranko.

Guests: Cathy Ingraham introduced her friend David Lefler. Guest Jason Allen was introduced as the candidate running for the Benischek seat. He gave a presentation about his conservative candidacy.

OLD BUSINESS:

Committee Reports

Membership Committee: Lyla gave a brief report about 2015 and some goals for 2016. We had 63 members last year. We need to add as many new members as we can by each of us coming up with a new name for our contact list. Discussion of different levels of memberships. The Lincoln Dinner has not been scheduled yet and we are waiting for a guest speaker to confirm to set the date.

Membership Letter and Issues and Priority committee not reported on.

NEW BUSINESS:

Declared candidate for Michigan 101st District is Curt Vanderwall.

Declared candidates for United States 1st District are Casperson, Allen and Walter.

Declared candidate for United States 2nd District is Huizinga

Peter Ochs brought up Michigan Dashboard as a useful tool to go through lists to identify party members with phone numbers. He also discussed the upcoming trainings he will offer for Lake, Oceana and Newago counties and Mason Co is invited to participate as well. Topics include social media and volunteer recruitment.

Susan Boes announced the Right to Life Banquet is **April 14, 2016** at Lincoln Hills.

John Beckett read some news from RNC that summarizes what they are currently involved in.

Jim Bachelder moved to adjourn and Lyla McClelland supported. The next meeting will be **February 17, 6:30** pm at the Book Mark in Ludington.