

County Executive Committee Special Meeting Minutes 1201 Lake Woodlands Dr., Ste 4020, The Woodlands, TX August 13 2022, 9:00 a.m.

- 1. Convene at 9:10 a.m. by Vice Chairman (VC), Jon Bouche.
 - a. Meeting called by Dennis Tibbs (76) in accordance with Article VI, Section 2 & 3 in bylaws – Exhibit A
 - b. It was noted that Bryan Christ (Chairman) was not present
 - c. Parliamentarian Sherry Tavel (95)
 - d. Sergeant of Arms Calvin Russell
- 2. Invocation by Dale Fessenden (17)
- 3. Pledges by Jon Bouche (Vice Chair)
- 4. Roll Call
 - a. Completed by Staci Earnest, Secretary with assistance from Dale Fessenden (17).
 - b. POP by Kristin Plaisance (37) asked that Precinct Chair #s and names be called out when doing roll
 - c. Quorum was established with 43 members present. **Note:** 2 Precinct chairs arrived later and are noted on the roll call sheet. **Exhibit B**
- 5. Call to Order at 9:25 a.m.
- 6. Approve Agenda—not amendable since this is a special meeting
 - a. Kenneth Earnest (6) motions to approve agenda
 - b. Dale Fessenden (17) seconds the motion
 - c. By voice vote the agenda passes
- 7. Approve Organization Meeting Minutes
 - a. Larry Rogers (75) motions to approve
 - b. Scott Robbins (33) seconds the motion;
 - c. The I's have the majority and no objections by voice vote
- 8. Vacancy Committee Report Attach Allison's report Exhibit C
 - a. Nominations of candidates to fill vacancies presented by Allison Winter (59)
 - i. Caleb Smith (26)
 - ii. Bobbi Bodenhamer (54)
 - iii. Jennifer Bowling (62)
 - iv. Steven Foster (80) not present
 - v. Sherry Tavel (95)
 - vi. Stephanie Schwantes (101)
 - vii. Jackie Williams (107)



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- b. Kent Frappier (2) motions to accept the vote by group for new precinct chairs
- c. John Wertz (69) makes a second
- d. motion passes by voice vote; all precinct chairs were approved.
- e. Oath of Office given by Gwen Withrow (72 & SREC); all newly elected precinct chairs agreed to the oath
- f. No additional vacancies at this time
- g. Jon Bouche (VC) recognized Allison Winter (59) for her leadership on the Vacancy committee.
- h. Jon Bouche (VC) thanked the new precinct chairs and those currently serving and asked that they stay the course even in this current environment and fulfill their precinct chair duties.

9. Victory Committee Report

- a. POO George Hyde (100) asked that the CEC address the Chair not the audience
- **b.** John Wertz (69) presented a presentation **Exhibit D**
- c. Committee participants
- d. Early voting starts 10/24
- e. Races & Props were reviewed
- f. Nov 2022 Mailer to be developed; showed copy of the Nov 2020 mailer
- g. Historical spend was \$40K in mailers, push cards and texts in 2020
- h. Trifold created. Will be used as an Intro to new movers and will be stored at the MCRPTX office; need precinct chairs to distribute; Robert Walker (87) to get list of new movers to precinct chairs
- i. October 11 is the last day to register
- i. Action Items Trifolds, Mailers and Social Media
- k. POI Kim Weber (97) can we add Next Door and Telegram to Social Media list
- I. POI Jennifer Bowling (62) Do we need anything special to register voters? Jon Bouche (VC) Yes you have to deputized to register people; See those precinct chairs who are deputized to assist. Take the test online to be deputized. Another way to reach voters is through your church and special events in your neighborhood
- m. Jon Bouche (VC) recognized John Wertz (69) for his leadership and fundraising efforts.

10. Good of the Order

- a. This was implemented by request of DJ Fike (102) following Robert Rules of Order
- b. No motions will be done during this time. This is discussion only.
- c. DJ Fike (102) was recognized by Jon Bouche (VC)



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- **d.** DJ Fike (102) discussed a new Vision and Action Plan
 - i. Hand-outs were provided to all CEC precinct chairs at the start of the meeting.
 Exhibit E
 - ii. Kristen Plaisance (37) can we add the constitution values to the vision statement
 - iii. Kenneth Earnest (6) can we add honor God in all endeavors in the vision statement
 - iv. Jon Bouche (VC) asked that they email DJ Fike (102) with those suggestions
 - v. Kim Weber (97) Freedom Caucus has a similar vision and mission statement.; Jon Bouche (VC) stated to talk to Kim if you have any questions on that group.

11. Officer Reports

- a. Chairman Bryan Christ is not present
- b. Vice Chairman
 - i. No additional updates
- c. Secretary
 - i. Provided the Minutes from the July 23, 2022 Emergency Meeting on July 25, 2022 to the Steering Committee and Chairman.
 - ii. Requested the information and the ability to load the minutes to the MCRPTX website from the Chairman; July 25, July 29 and August 2(Raquel Lewis (current Secretary & 96)), 2022.
 - iii. POI Robert Walker (87) did you receive a response on any of those communications/emails? Staci Earnest (Secretary) answered "no."
- d. Treasurer
 - i. John Wertz (69) Asst Treasurer gave an update
 - ii. \$53,857 in the bank see report handed out to all precinct chairs Exhibit F
 - iii. Charles Shirley (Treasurer) stated that Charles and Jon Bouche (VC) are to be added to the account.
 - iv. Resolution handed out by Charles Shirley (T). Resolution Authorization to conduct business with any bank, financial institution and or government agency -Exhibit G
 - v. Jon Bouche (VC) there are multiple accounts. The resolution is for the fundraising needs to help run the campaign.
 - vi. POI Dale Fessenden (17) is there a need to have the Vice Chair or Chairman Christ to be on the account? Response by Jon Bouche (VC) I did request not to



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be on the account; John Wertz (69) and Charles Shirley(T) agreed that having 3 signers would be more beneficial and add creditability to the situation.

- vii. POI Allision Winter (59) Concerned with the word "individually"; Good to have 2 signatories.
- viii. John Wertz (69)— for every check, large and small, would require 2 signatures, i.e. rent, supplies, etc.
- ix. Jon Bouche (VC) in our bylaws there is a \$250 threshold; Is he Ok with anyone else in the CEC being a signer; We need to put in safeguards.
- x. POI Kenneth Earnest (6)– being a signer on another account, it is good to have a threshold put in for when 2 signers are needed.
- xi. Jon Bouche (VC) Article VII states the threshold
- xii. POO George Hyde (100)– This is a special meeting, and this item was not include in the meeting notice
- xiii. Charles Shirley (T) and Sherry Tavel (Parliamentarian & 95) discussed the POO
- xiv. Jon Bouche (VC) stated the motion is ruled in favor of George Hyde (100) that discussing this resolution now is out of order. This item will be deferred and discussed under new business.

12. Nominations and appointments to Sub-committee chairmanships

- a. Resolutions Neda Henery (108) was nominated by SC. Vice Chair asked for nominations 3 times no objections; Neda Henery (108) is appointed.
- b. Rules Robert Walker (87) was nominated by SC. Vice Chair asked for nominations 3 times no objections. Robert Walker (87) is appointed.
- c. Finance Doug Taylor (5) was nominated by SC. Vice Chair asked for nominations 3 times no objections. Doug Taylor is appointed.
- d. Candidates Jon Bouche (VC) opened up nominations. Ginger Russell (74) nominated Susan Scruggs (81); Susan Scruggs (81) accepts; Vice Chair asked for nominations 3 times no objections. Susan Scruggs (81) is appointed.
- e. Fundraising Lindsey Kasprzak was nominated by the SC. However, no one has spoken to Lindsey. This committee chair remains open.
- f. Technology Torrey Bingham (85) was nominated by SC. Vice Chair asked for nominations 3 times no objections. Torrey Bingham (85) is appointed.
- g. POI Neda Henery (108) anyone who would want to be nominated for Fundraising; POI Nelson Reyes (4) What are the requirements? Jon Bouche (VC) to fundraise; Ginger Russell (74) nominates John Wertz (69); John Wertz (69) declined.



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- h. Marketing/PR Kim Weber (97) was nominated by SC. Vice Chair asked for nominations 3 times no objections. Kim Weber (97) was appointed.
- i. Headquarters Jon Bouche (VC) asked for nominations.
 - i. POI by DJ Fike (102) would it help if we read the description of the role?
 - ii. Jon Bouche(VC) read the description found in the Bylaws.
 - iii. POI Kim Weber (97) can we keep the headquarter stocked with push cards;
 - iv. Nelson Reyes (4) nominated himself. Vice Chair asked for nominations 3 times no objections; Nelson Reyes (4) is appointed.
- j. Community Engagement Bob Bagley was nominated by the SC; Vice Chair asked for nominations 3 times no objections; Bob Bagley is appointed.
- k. Training & Development Karen Zeller was nominated by the SC; Vice Chair asked for nominations 3 times no objections; Karen Zeller is appointed.
- I. Communications Lisa Railey was nominated by the SC; Betty Anderson (31) stated that Lisa Railey is interested. Vice Chair asked for nominations 3 times no objections; Lisa Railey is appointed.
- m. Elections George Hyde (100) was nominated by the SC; Vice Chair asked for nominations 3 times no objections; George Hyde (100) is appointed.
- n. Legislative Kent Frappier (2) was nominated by the SC; DJ Fike(102) nominated Bonnie Lyons; Kent Frappier (2) withdrew his nomination; Vice Chair asked for nominations 3 times no objections; Bonnie Lyons is appointed.
- o. Education Ginger Russell (74) was nominated by the SC. Vice Chair asked for nominations 3 times no objections; Ginger Russell (74) is appointed.

13. New Business

- a. Resolution to establish a meeting schedule for the CEC Exhibit H
 - i. Kent Frappier (2) made a motion to adopt as proposed; Neda Henery (108) provided second.
 - ii. Discussion Dale Fessenden (17) has some conflicts but will make it work; but have we have secured a location for those meeting dates? Jon Bouche (VC) as per the resolution, location is TBD.
 - iii. POI George Hyde (100) who can make the meeting call, only the chair? Jon Bouche (VC) No, anyone can make that meeting call
 - iv. POI DJ Fike (102) on the back of CEC meeting schedule resolution is also the SC meeting schedule resolution. The adoption of the CEC meeting schedule impacts the SC meeting schedule.
 - v. Jon Bouche (VC) stated there is a motion on floor to adopt the resolution



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- vi. Discussion was closed
- vii. The I's have the voice vote, no objections
- viii. SC meeting date and times passed at the SC meeting.
- b. Resolution Authorization to conduct business with any bank, financial institution and or government agency revisited **Exhibit G**
 - i. Jon Bouche (VC) re-read the resolution
 - ii. POI Susan Carranza (49) Has this been discussed with the bank about how to add/remove signers?
 - iii. Charles Shirley (T) responded that this resolution was created in conjunction with counsel and the bank
 - iv. POI Susan Carranza (49) will this be a roll call vote? Jon Bouche (VC) No, unless someone calls for a roll call vote
 - v. POI John Wertz (69)– We need to provide the minutes and the resolution to the bank
 - vi. Jon Bouche (VC) recognizes Cathy Locetta (71)
 - vii. POI Cathey Locetta (71) what other accounts are there?
 - 1. Corporate Account support MCRPTX Headquarter overhead
 - a. POI by George Hyde (100) It is called corporate account to run the business? The response was yes by Jon Bouhe (VC)
 - 2. Primary Account to fund the primary elections; judges, clerks, state, push cards, texts, etc.
 - 3. Pioneer/Sunflower Account Misc. Income and expenses for the MCRPTX, i.e. rent, legacy copier and other party expenses.
 - viii. POI by Neda Henery (108) can we put in the name of the account in the resolution? John Wertz (69) it was done this way under the counsel given by the attorney should the bank change their name or we change banks.
 - ix. POI Ginger Russell (74) I have complete trust in those who drafted this resolution and support this resolution
 - x. Jon Bouche (VC) recognizes Josh Graff (40); Concerned about the optics at this time; could we add the 2-signature verification? Josh made a motion to amend to add the requirement for a 2nd signature. There was no second. Motion does not pass
 - xi. 2nd motion by Josh Graff (40) to remove Jon Bouche and nominate someone else. There was a second by Hershel Williams (63). Hershel Williams (63)



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withdrew the second; Neda Henery (108) seconded and then withdrew her second. Mark Fusca (47) made a second.

xii. Discussion:

- 1. Scott Robins (33) spoke against
- 2. Ginger Russell (74) spoke against
- 3. Dale Fessenden (17) spoke against
- 4. No discussion was given in favor of the motion
- xiii. POI Neda Henery (108) the resolution says it needs to have two Executive members; POI Robert Walker (87) asked similar question.
- xiv. POI Ginger Russell (74) could Chairman Christ do the same process to add signature card? Charles Shirley (T) responded with yes he would have to follow the same process.
- xv. Jon Bouche (VC) recognizes Steve Lawrence (48) this is an urgent need to resolve today.
- xvi. Jon Bouche (VC) recognizes John Wertz (69)— there is a risk that the Chair could take funds out, up to \$250. We have an appt on Monday with the bank.
- xvii. Call to question by Christina Lightfoot (50); Kim Weber (97) second. Amendment fails to remove Jon Bouche by voice vote.
- xviii. POI Mary Lewis (94) can this change be made done today? Charles Shirley (T) bank is closed today
- xix. Kirsten Plaisance (37) called for a roll call vote; John Wertz (69) provided second
- xx. Resolution passes by 47 yes; 2 No and 2 abstains by roll call vote. Exhibit B
- xxi. POI Bobbi Bodenhamer (54) was in banking for a long time, the bank did not recognize 2 signatures, it was more of an internal control. A person could still write a check above that limit, and the organization would have to file an injunction; Jon Bouche (VC) thanked Bobbi Bodenhamer (54) for her information.

14. Adjourn at the conclusion of this agenda

- a. Motion to adjourn was made by Scott Robbins (33) and second by Dale Fessenden (17); motion passes by voice vote
- b. Adjourned at 11:15 a.m.