



**Salt Lake County Republican Party  
Central Committee Meeting**  
Merit Medical  
Thursday, December 3, 2009

**Call to Order:** Chairman Thomas Wright began the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Officers present: Thomas Wright, Chair; Rick Votaw, Vice Chair; Kurtis Constantine, Secretary; Treasurer, (Vacant).

**Prayer:** Robert Anderson, Finance Chair

**Pledge:** Lorah Miller, Salt Lake County District Attorney

Recognition of Elected Officials

Recognition of past Political Director, Randy O'Hare. Introduction of Julie Dole as new Political Director of Salt Lake County.

**Adopt the Agenda:** A motion to approve the agenda was made by Julie Holbrook, Region 3 Chair. Seconded by Dana Dickson, Region 4 Chair. Without Objection.

**Approval of the Minutes:** A motion was made to approve the minutes of September 17, 2009 by Steven Mascaro, Representative District 47. Seconded. Passed.

**OFFICER REPORTS:**

**Chair:**

- 1) Lyle Decker's Resolution has received a lot of attention. Chair reminds the Central Committee that the Chair's responsibility is to a fair and balanced forum for any member of the CC to bring forward a resolution.
- 2) Candidate Training at Realtor's new building in October and November. Training for Candidates on how to organize a campaign staff, how to find delegates, how to communicate with delegates, how to organize a grassroots campaign, how to prepare for a primary and a general election. About 30 candidates in attendance. If anyone is interested in attending
- 3) Precinct Chair Training at Merit Medical. Training for Precinct Chairs on how to run an effective precinct meeting, how to get people out to the meetings, how to hold elections, what the rules are, how to raise money in a precinct setting, how to encourage people to be delegates, how to reach out to neighbors and getting them involved. Chair thanks Julie Holbrook, Region 3 Chair, for spearheading that effort. 100 Precinct Chairs were trained in 2 nights!
- 4) Jeff Allen has resigned from Salt Lake County Council District 5. As soon as the County Council gives notice to the CCC, a special meeting will be called with at least 14 days notice to the Precinct Chairs in District 5. Chair thanks Jeff Allen for his service.
- 5) Mass Precinct Caucus Meetings - Discussions have been going on for about 4 months to gather all Precincts in a Legislative Districts and have one mass meeting. This will help us relay a more consistent message. We'll have much better data collection. 31 meetings instead of 836 (last Caucus we had 200 unorganized Precincts). Meetings will be ADA accessible. Meetings will be held at a "neutral location." Breakout sessions for each Precinct will be conducted after the mass meeting.
- 6) Chair introduced the Salt Lake County "10 in 2010" Promotion.

**Vice Chair:**

- 1) About 50 new Precinct Chairs have been located and appointed in recent months.
- 2) Went from 761 to 836 Precinct which means we have a lot of new precincts to organize before March.

**Secretary:**

- 1) Update on the resolution that the CCC passed at the last meeting in support of HR1207 & S604, "The Federal Reserve Transparency Act" and "The Federal Reserve Sunshine Act" – The State Central Committee has passed and voted unanimously in favor of support the resolution. Senator Jim DeMint of South Carolina has vowed to block Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke's confirmation for a second term until the Senate votes on S604. Secretary encourages Utah's delegation to support
- 2) In response to recent articles in local papers claiming, "The Salt Lake County Republican Party is being run by extreme right-wing people..." Republican's have a set of principles and it seems recently when Republicans advocate and defend these principles they are labeled as "right-wing nut jobs". We should be proud of our principles, because if we don't define ourselves by our principles, then we will be defined by those that do not promote our principles.
- 3) Update on the County Party Twitter account: @SLCOGOP has 59 followers.

**Credential Report:** Chair announced 235 credentialed members in attendance.

**Committee Reports**

**Bylaws Committee – Lyle Decker, Chair:**

- The current committee was elected last June and is comprised of Jessica Christopher, Dana Dickson, Lyle Decker, Mark Fotheringham, Jack Powers, Mike Taylor, and Daniel Thatcher. Mr. Decker feels this is a very balanced group.
- Two weeks ago, Dana Dickson stepped down as Chair of the Bylaws Committee and the Committee elected Lyle Decker as the new Chair.
- The Bylaws Committee is proposing 4 amendments at tonight's meeting.
- Wants to make clear that the Bylaws amendment concerning the election of candidates at convention is from Mr. Decker, personally, and not from the Bylaws Committee.

**Internet Committee – Jeremy Votaw, Chair:**

- The data system in development for 5 years has been adopted by the State.
- We don't really have a "committee" so anyone is interested in serving on the Internet Committee then talk to Jeremy.
- People somehow have the impression that Facebook and Twitter is the answer to all things, but it's not. It can't replace knocking on people's doors, so don't be discouraged if you're not on Facebook or Twitter.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Election for County Party Treasurer:**

Chair opened nominations for County Party Treasurer

- Corie Chan – Nominated by James Evans.

No other nominations were made. Chair closed nominations.

Ms. Chan elected Treasurer by acclamation.

**Bylaws Amendment (Bylaws Committee):**

Motion for the County Central Committee to move into a quasi-committee of the whole for no more than 30 minutes to discuss the proposed Bylaws Amendments. Without objection.

CCC when into a quasi-committee of the whole at 7:40 PM.

CCC rose out of quasi-committee of the whole at 8:10 PM.

- #1) Art. II, 3, A, 11 (Duties of the Chair)  
~~Sign all checks issued by the Party in conjunction with the Treasurer;~~  
Authorize all Party expenditures;  
**Passed**
- #2) Art. II, 4, B, 3, a (Duties of the Vice Chair)  
~~In conjunction with the Treasurer, sign all party checks; and~~  
Authorize all Party expenditures; and  
**Passed**
- #3) Art. II, Sec. 5, 2, d (Duties of the Secretary)  
County Conventions – ~~provide minutes to Central Committee at their next regular meeting.~~  
County Conventions – provide minutes to Central Committee members and convention delegates upon request.  
**Passed**
- #4) Art. VIII, Sec. 3, A, 1 (Party Conventions)  
Vacancies shall be appointed in writing by the voting precinct chair or acting chair and filed with the Party no later than fourteen (14) days prior to convention. Vacancies only apply in cases of death, resignation, inability to serve, moving of primary residence from the voting precinct or violation of Article I, Section 3 of these Bylaws.  
**Passed**
- #5) Bylaws Amendment (Election Candidates at Convention – Lyle Decker):  
**Motion lost**

**Election for Senate District Chair 10:**

The Chair entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting for all those not participating in the Election for Senate District Chair 10 at 8:30 PM. Moved. Seconded. Without objection.

Special election conducted.

- Julie Holbrook elected Senate District 10 Chair.

**Adjournment:**

The Chair entertained a motion to adjourn the remaining members in Senate District 10. Moved. Seconded. Without objection.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:50 PM