

Minutes First District Republican Committee meeting 8/26/09

In attendance: Sean Shamany, Ray Harker, Dominic Cusatis, Alice Coffman, Kathy Dobash, Tiffany Cloud, Cathy Tombasco, Karin Cabell, Frank Polidora

Excused: Rick Morelli, Rocco Formica

The meeting was called to order with a moment of silence followed by the pledge of allegiance at 7:08pm

A sign in sheet was passed around for all members attending to sign in for the record.

Minutes

A motion was made by Karin Cabell and seconded by Alice Coffman to dispense of reading the minutes and accept them as presented.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was presented in the absence of Finance Chair Rick Morelli. The beginning balance was \$1,544.00 and two expenses were previously authorized and paid as follows: Valley country Club \$200.00 deposit for Red Party event and Cerullo's Custom Creation – gift basket \$39.22. The ending balance as of 8/26/09 was \$1,304.78. Kathy Dobash made a motion to accept the report and Alice Coffman offered a second to the motion.

District Chairman Report

Chairman Shamany recapped the picnic recently held by the Luzerne county GOP. He also reminded attendees of upcoming Luzerne County GOP events, including Meet and greet events, golf event, and GOP Club events.

Chairman Shamany reached out to Channel 13 to possibly appear on the Sam Lesante Show for promoting the First District and the Republican cause.

Committee Reports

There were no committee reports presented.

Old Business

Tiffany Cloud updated everyone on the progress of the Red Party Bash to be held Oct 8th. She mentioned that Lou Barletta would be honored that night for his contributions and dedication to the Republican Party. She is in the process of sending out blast emails regarding the event and is optimistic on the attendance.

Ray Harker stated that he will gladly donate a plaque to be presented to Mayor Barletta that night. The committee is very grateful to Ray for his donation.

Karin Cabell and Cathy Tombasco will work on a piano player for the evening of the Red Party Bash.

New Business

Frank Polidora introduced the Health care public forum that will be held Sat August 29th 1:00pm at the Ferrara center. The forum will be open discussion on the health care debate now before congress. It will be hosted by Dr. Polidora and Ray Desouza. All committee members and interested people are encouraged to attend.

A web site is continually being discussed and Cathy Tombasco along with Karin Cabell will begin working on the site once a domain name is purchased.

There was brief discussion on how to build the party and advertising. It was the general consensus that once we build the finances of the committee, then we can build the party through advertising on TV and print ads.

With there being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Frank Polidora and seconded by Kathy Dobash.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary