## KOSSUTH COUNTY GOP MINUTES AUGUST 24, 2020



The Kossuth County GOP met Monday, August 24, 2020, at the Algona Pizza Ranch, with 18 people in attendance. Co-chairperson, Todd Hartsock, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. State Senator, Dennis Guth, opened the meeting with prayer and then Todd led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the July meeting were previously e-mailed to all Central Committee members. Ray Neswold offered a motion to approve the July meeting minutes, Allen Brown seconded the motion and it passed.

Treasurer, Tammy Eden, reported that there is \$1695.14 in the checking account. She also reported that she has met with Conley Nelson and she has all the financial information now. Tammy's name has been added as signer for the checking account and she is checking with the bank to see if Chairperson, Carter Nath's name should be added as well. There are no outstanding bills at this time.

A temporary Kossuth County GOP office is needed for October through the 1<sup>st</sup> part of November. Carter, Ken Clark, and De Cogdall had offered to make contact with people regarding a possible location. De's contact declined due to liability insurance. Ken has not yet communicated with his contact person. So, in order to help ease the predicament of no GOP office, Wendell Steven is coordinating a "Floating Float" exhibit with the Kossuth County GOP float visiting different towns on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. People will be able to visit the float and obtain GOP candidate signs there. The "Floating Float" schedule will be posted on the Kossuth County Republicans Facebook page.

The 2020 Band Day Festival is cancelled.

Possible fundraising ideas were discussed in July. Caley Lemay offered the idea of a 5K Run/Walk. There was general agreement that this is a good idea. Carter, Caley, and Tammy agreed to serve on the planning committee. This event could possibly happen the Saturday following the election. An update will be provided at the September meeting.

Encourage people to vote in person. All polling sites will be open on Election Day and early voting can be done in person at the County Auditor's office from Monday, October 5, through Monday, November 2, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. No appointment is needed.

Senator Dennis Guth reported that he has been knocking on doors with Henry Stone, candidate for the Iowa House of Representatives, and they have been enjoying positive experiences with the voters. He also reported on the "Back the Blue" meeting that was held to show support for IA law enforcement agencies. Ten different agencies were represented. There was general agreement that future local "Back the Blue" support should be done on a regular basis, maybe again in late January or early February.

There are still some openings on the Central Committee from various precincts. Everyone is to help think of possible candidates to fill these openings.

To e-mail chairperson, Carter Nath, with Kossuth County GOP business, please use this e-mail address: kossuthchaircarter@gmail.com

The next meeting will be held Monday, September 28, 2020, at the Algona Pizza Ranch with social time beginning at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting beginning at 7 p.m. Todd adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Kim Schenk Hartsock