



KOSSUTH COUNTY GOP MI NUTES
SEPTEMBER 24, 2018

The Kossuth County GOP met Monday, September 24, 2018, at Pizza Ranch, with 16 people in attendance. Chairperson, Kathy Keller, called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Roger Tjarks opened the meeting with prayer and Dennis Holm led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Kathy Keller distributed a revised agenda; some changes had been made to the agenda previously e-mailed to everyone. Pam Wymore offered a motion to approve the revised agenda, Dennis Wymore seconded the motion and it passed.

Minutes of the August meeting had been previously e-mailed to everyone by Kathy Keller. Allen Brown offered a motion to approve the August meeting minutes, Kim Schenk Hartsock seconded the motion and it passed.

Pam Wymore presented the treasurer's report: As of August 27, 2018, the balance was \$1658.54 (a + 3 cents from the previous minutes). Since that time a bill for promotional Kossuth County Fair ads, \$183.60, has been paid and donations of \$285.00 have been received. The current balance is \$1759.94. Kim Schenk Hartsock offered a motion to approve the treasurer's report, Todd Hartsock seconded the motion and it carried.

Pam Wymore reported that 82 people attended the fundraising event on September 16. Donations totaled \$424.00, with expenses of \$129.11. No bill has been received yet for the newspaper ads. There was supposed to be one ad in the Algona paper and one ad in the Reminder. Instead, there were two ads in the Algona paper and no ad in the Reminder. Pam will check into this situation. There was discussion regarding paying for newspaper ads or relying on social media for advertisements of future events. A huge thank you to Pam and Moni for organizing the event and everyone was grateful for the presence of the candidates and/or incumbents, Roger Tjarks, Kyle Stecker, Kathy Keller, Gary Ernst, Tedd Gassman, Terry Baxter, Mary Mosiman, and Dennis Guth. A representative of the Iowa State College Republican group, Jacob Minock, spoke to the group of the challenges that are faced at the university. Pat Talbot offered a motion that a \$100 donation be made to the Iowa State Republicans, Dennis Wymore seconded the motion and it passed. Trinity Church loaned their sound equipment for the event and Kim Schenk Hartsock offered a motion that a \$50 donation be made to Trinity, Roger Tjarks seconded the motion and it carried. Kim Schenk Hartsock will write thank you notes to the candidates and others involved with the making this event a success.

Kathy Keller then stated some openings exist on the Kossuth County GOP Central Committee. Roger Tjarks offered a motion to elect Pat Talbot and Dennis Swanson to the Central Committee. Pam Wymore seconded the motion and it carried. Nine other openings exist as well.

Kathy Keller then announced that a Headquarters has been established at 702 S. Phillips, effective September 15, and the Kossuth County GOP has to pay only for the electricity. The established office hours are Monday through Friday, Noon until 6 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. A sign-up sheet was distributed for volunteering to fill the office hours. If there are not enough volunteers to staff the office, hours may have to be cut back. Volunteers may also sign up online at <https://doodle.com/poll/7uaecw4ikmtqagvk>

The Algona Band Day parade will be Saturday, September 29, at 1 p.m. and the GOP float has already been registered and is #14 in line on Colby Street. It would be wonderful to have many people walking along the parade route with the float. Dennis Wymore will pull the float behind his truck.

Discussion was held regarding distribution of candidate information for the November election. Pat Talbot offered a motion to purchase plastic bags and have them stuffed with multiple candidates' information. Allen Brown seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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Kathy Keller reported that she has received feedback regarding changes to and inappropriate postings on Kossuth County GOP social media. She stated that a committee is needed immediately to develop social media policies and to present these policies to the Kossuth County GOP at the October meeting. Pam Wymore volunteered to help write Kossuth County GOP social media policies and procedures for posting on Kossuth County GOP social media. Roger Tjarks and Pat Talbot also volunteered to serve on this committee. Dennis Wymore offered a motion that this committee be formed with the aforementioned volunteers and for Kathy to notify administrators of changes to social media policy with all postings approved/maintained by Chair. Allen Brown seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Pam Wymore and Roger Tjarks then mentioned concerns they had regarding public statements referencing Kossuth County supervisors and their past actions. They wanted to help clear up possible misunderstandings on some issues.

There will be a Meet and Greet on Saturday, September 29, after the parade. This will be held at the Kossuth County GOP office. U. S. Congressman, Steve King, will be there. Possibly discussion can be held then regarding content of phone calls before the election. Voters should be asked if they have previously registered to vote, if they plan to vote on Election Day and if they need a ride to the polling place.

The next meeting will be Monday, October 22, at the Algona Pizza Ranch, 6:30 p.m.-Social, 7 p.m.-Business Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Schenk Hartsock