

KOSSUTH COUNTY GOP MI NUTES MARCH 25, 2019

The Kossuth County GOP met Monday, March 25, 2019, at the Algona Pizza Ranch, with 20 people in attendance. Chairperson, Kathy Keller, called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Ray Neswold opened the meeting with prayer and Dennis Holmes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of the February 4, 2019, meeting had been previously e-mailed to everyone by Kathy Keller. Pam Wymore offered a motion to approve the February meeting minutes, Kyle Stecker seconded the motion and it passed.

Pam Wymore presented the treasurer's report: As of February 4, 2019, the balance was \$1055.26. Since that time a donation of \$100 was made to College Republicans of I owa State University (one of their leaders spoke at our September fundraiser) and a donation of \$50 was made to Trinity Lutheran Church for the use of their audio equipment at the September fundraiser. Both these donations had been approved at the September meeting. The current balance is \$905.26.

I deas for fundraising were then discussed. Mandy Glawe and Mandie Studer stated that they are working on an idea for a fundraising night in Wesley and will keep everyone informed as plans progress. Pam Wymore offered to coordinate a fundraising letter campaign asking people to donate \$20.20 and Dennis Wymore offered a motion that she proceed with this idea. Steve Smith seconded the motion and it carried. After more discussion, Mandie Studer offered a motion that the letter not be written until there is a planned event to be publicized in this letter and it is known how many Kossuth County Republicans should receive this letter. Kim Schenk Hartsock seconded the motion and it carried. Kathy asked everyone to be thinking of ideas for fundraising.

Lyle Prunty reported on Educational Outreach. He has contacted a government teacher in West Bend, whose students receive extra credit for attending pertinent events, but no reply from him as yet.

Kathy distributed a listing of Kossuth County GOP Central Committee members to everyone. There are still many vacancies to be filled. Everyone should think of someone to recruit to fill these vacancies. Central Committee members are required by the Constitution for the Kossuth County GOP to attend one half of the Kossuth County GOP meetings.

An election for Kossuth County GOP officers needs to be conducted. Dennis Holmes offered a motion that all current officers remain in their positions for another year with election of a co-chair to be held later. These current officers are: Chairperson – Kathy Keller, Treasurer – Conley Nelson, Secretary – Kim Schenk Hartsock. Diane Jorgenson seconded the motion and it carried. Pam Wymore volunteered to serve as co-chairperson. Dennis Holmes offered a motion that Pam Wymore be elected to serve as co-chair of the Kossuth County Republicans. Mandie Studer seconded the motion and it passed.

The February 3, 2020, caucus was then discussed. Wendell Steven offered a motion that caucus meetings be scheduled for the Wesley Community Center, O.B. Laing, and North Union Middle School, Swea City, with the option of adding other sites later. Eldon Jorgenson seconded the motion and it carried.

De Cogdall volunteered to help publicize future Kossuth County GOP meetings through the Community Calendar. Kyle Stecker offered a motion that the April 22 meeting be held at the Country Inn, Swea City. Kim Schenk Hartsock seconded the motion and it carried.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE MONDAY, APRIL 22, AT COUNTRY INN BAR AND GRILL, 309 3RD ST. NORTH, SWEA CITY. SOCIAL TIME WILL BEGIN AT 6:15 P.M. WITH MEETING AT 7 P.M. The Country Inn accepts cash and checks, but no credit or debit cards. There is an ATM in the restaurant and across the street at Bank Plus.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Kim Schenk Hartsock