

Yuma County Republican Party Tuesday, 25 July 2023 6:00pm Yuma Community Food Bank on 24th St.

Meeting Minutes July 25, 2023

First Vice Chair Tanya Wright began the PC training with a prayer. The 5:00 PM training was well attended, and the current and potential PCs were well engaged.

The regular meeting was opened at 6:00 PM again with a prayer by Chairman Wilkinson. The pledge was led by Carl Kizer.

We had 40 PCs and 10 visitors with one being a pending PC. We also received four PC applications because of our meeting tonight. Good work, everyone!

Greg talked about the upcoming events planned for the rest of the year beginning with the Fall Fair Fest October 4-8 at the Yuma County Fair Grounds. We will have a 10-foot booth in the usual building and space as well as the Yuma County Tea Party Trolley. Our focus as always is to sign up voters. There will be a table at the Trolley for Voter Registration as well. On December 9th there will be a Golf Tournament at Desert Hills Golf Course. It will be a fundraiser for the GOP, but we will be asking for prize donations from the community as well as help from our volunteers. Please see Greg if you have any questions or would like to volunteer.

Speaking of events, the YCTP is hosting a huge event (Last Call to make America Great Again!) at Britain's Farm and Chuckwagon on October 28th with free food. Drinks are available for a donation. RCRW will be providing desserts, also for donation. They are inviting all Arizona candidates to join them. They will have the Trolley, of course, so mark your calendars.

According to the new voter information that came out the first of July, Republicans have gained 260 registrations and Democrats have lost 149. We are "on a roll", but we have a lot more work to do. Chair of Voter Registration, Ruth Milne, would like chairs of all other committees to be involved in VR by attending the regular meetings she holds.

Local Pastors have been asked and tentatively agreed to work voter registration into their sermons. Pastor and Laurie Mondragon were in attendance.

Many of our teachers and school board members have come forward with information and concerns. Chairman asked, "What are we willing to do?" We have an education committee now chaired by Josh Pembleton and he needs committee members!

To ALL Committee Members, we know that things come up in our day-to-day lives but please make use of the wonderful calendar on our website and make every effort to attend the committees that you have signed up for. If you can't make it, please let the chair of your committee know as soon as possible.

For example, starting in August and reflected on our website calendar: the Advisory

Committee meetings will be changed to the third Wednesday of the month from 5-6 PM followed by the Young Republicans committee at 6 PM.



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There are now two binders with the newest precinct maps as well as a new wall map for headquarters. They are available to use during office hours. Additionally, our 1st VC Tanya has added a button on the website that links to Yuma County and district maps for ease in accessing them.

We want to thank Bill Edge for the lovely red, white, and blue wooden base he made to display our military and American flags. We needed a place for the Space Force flag in the array. I will send a picture next time after I purchase new flags.

The rest of the evening was very special as we had a swearing-in ceremony led by Chairman Wilkinson for all PCs in attendance. We then received our official certificate of recognition after repeating the oath of office which was followed by a reception with food, drinks, and pictures for anyone that wanted one. Any PC who was unable to attend may come by HQ during office hours to receive their certificate and be sworn in.

A special thank you to Chairman Wilkinson, 1^{st,} and 2nd Vice Chairs Wright and Clark, respectively, and Treasurer Munk for putting this together. It was a wonderful, fun event!

Next meeting will be August 22nd, 2023, at the Yuma Community Food Bank, 2404 E 24th Street, Yuma, AZ 85365. Doors open at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Knight

Secretary 2023-2024