

**Kootenai County Republican Central Committee Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, June 24, 2014
Kootenai County Administrative Building, 451 Government Way, Coeur d'Alene, ID**

- I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. The Chairman, Neil Oliver, presided. Sheila Waller was the Secretary. James McMillan was the Parliamentarian.
- II. Invocation:** The invocation was given by Toby Schindelbeck.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge was led by Tony Wisniewski.
- IV. Programs and/or Special Guests:** None
- V. Roll Call and Determination of a Quorum:** Forty-seven (47) members were present.
- VI. Reading and Approval of the Minutes for the May 28, 2014 Reorganization Meeting:**
MOTION: John Cross moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and adopt them as written. The motion passed.
- VII. Treasurer's Report:** Doug Balijsa presented the Treasurer's report. The report is on file.
- VIII. Committee Reports:**
- **Parades & Events:** Abbi Sonesen gave the report for the Parades & Events Committee. They are looking for volunteers to pass out flags and also to help with parade set up the morning of the July Fourth parade.
- IX. Unfinished Business:** None
- X. New Business**
- A. Housekeeping Items**
- **Sign-ups for Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**
Sign up sheets were circulated for members to volunteer to lead the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance at Committee meetings.
 - **Committee Sign-Ups**
A current list of committee requests was circulated along with a sign-up sheet for members to indicate any changes to their committee requests.
- B. Nominations for Precinct 32**
- John Cross nominated Jeff Populus.
- C. Chairman's Remarks**
- **Auditing Committee**
The 2012-2014 Kootenai County Republican Central Committee (KCRCC) voted to form an auditing committee. Work was started but not completed. One central committee cannot dictate to another central committee how it will run its affairs as far as committees are concerned. A resolution will be considered during this meeting (Resolution KC-1416-001) that would take the place of the previous auditing committee.
 - **Presidential Caucus Committee**
The Chairman announced that a Presidential Caucus Committee will be formed to arrange a more smooth running Caucus than the last time. Rules changes at the State level should help. Future

State Central Committee meetings will hopefully resolve any other issues that may arise before the Caucus. Volunteers were requested for the committee. Members could indicate their willingness to participate by signing up on the Committee Sign-up form that was circulated at the meeting. There was discussion on this topic from the floor.

Point of Order
<p>By: Duane Rasmussen</p> <p>Context: Parliamentarian James McMillan made comments during the meeting.</p> <p>Point: I object to Mr. McMillan commenting on our Precinct business and on our County business because he's from another county. He's our Parliamentarian according to appointment, however, I don't feel it's appropriate for him to comment on things other than parliamentary or your sentiments.</p> <p>Ruling by the Chairman: Point well taken. When we're in business here the only people that really are supposed to speak are the people in the body that are precinct committeemen. At the time I could have asked everybody if they had a problem with allowing our Parliamentarian to speak but he is on the same Party and you guys could have voted up or down on that and then he would have got to speak.</p>

D. Resolution KC-1416-001: Financial Disclosure and Transparency

Tom Robinson moved the Resolution which states:

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Kootenai County Republican Central Committee (KCRCC) appoint a subcommittee, the "Financial Reconciliation and Transparency Committee", to review and reconcile the financial records of the KCRCC. The review period will be from 1 January, 2004, through 31 December 31, 2013.

Resolved, That the subcommittee will be allowed a budget sufficient to buy a "Quickbooks" program, a laptop computer, a removable hard disc or thumb drive, and necessary funding to recover KCRCC records, as necessary, from the appropriate financial institutions.

Resolved, That the subcommittee will furnish a written report to the Chairman of the KCRCC of the findings of the review.

AMENDMENT: Barry McHugh moved to amend the time period to 1 January 2012 through 31 December 2013.

Point of Order
<p>By: Hank Martin</p> <p>Context: John Cross referred to the amendment to the main motion being discussed as the amended motion.</p> <p>Point: I don't think we're dealing with an amended motion; I think we're dealing with an amendment to the motion which is a separate motion.</p> <p>Ruling by the Chairman: Point well taken.</p>

The amendment failed.

AMENDMENT: Hank Martin moved to amend the second resolved to add “not to exceed \$4000” so that it reads:

Resolved, That the subcommittee will be allowed a budget sufficient to buy a “Quickbooks” program, a laptop computer, a removable hard disc or thumb drive, and necessary funding **not to exceed \$4000** to recover KCRCC records, as necessary, from the appropriate financial institutions.

Point of Order
<p>By: Hank Martin</p> <p>Context: The Chairman stated, “All in favor of the amended motion, please say aye.” when calling for the vote on the amendment to the main motion.</p> <p>Point: We’re voting on the amendment, not the amended motion.</p> <p>Ruling by the Chairman: Point well taken.</p>

The amendment passed.

The main motion, as amended, passed. Resolution KC-1416-001 was adopted.

A sign-up list was passed around for members to request to be on the Financial Reconciliation and Transparency Committee.

E. Resolution KC-1416-002: Diaz-Balart-Ryan Amnesty

Bjorn Handeen moved the Resolution which states:

Resolved, That the Kootenai County Republican Central Committee opposes both amnesty for illegal aliens and the importation of more foreign workers; and,

Resolved, That the Kootenai County Republican Central Committee urges Representative Raul Labrador to boldly oppose the Diaz-Balart/ Ryan plot to pass a summer amnesty.

MOTION: Barry McHugh moved to forgo the second reading of the Resolution. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

Point of Order
<p>By: John Cross</p> <p>Context: Bjorn Handeen was not offered the first opportunity at discussion on the Resolution.</p> <p>Point: Is the motion maker going to speak first?</p> <p>Ruling by the Chairman: He has that opportunity. (Mr. Handeen said he would forego that opportunity.)</p>

Point of Order
<p>By: Gary Ingram</p> <p>Context: The Chairman was in doubt regarding the outcome of voting on whether to adopt the Resolution following a voice vote. He asked for a standing vote and was still in doubt. He then asked for a third vote in which he would count the votes.</p>

Point: Do we keep on taking votes until you get the one you want?

Ruling by the Chairman: No I am not trying to get the answer that I want. I want to get a clear answer where the Chairman is not in doubt. The way you start out is you do a voice vote and if the Chairman is not sure or is in doubt, which I was, then you do a rising vote. If the Chairman is still in doubt the Chairman has everybody rise and count. At that point the Chairman should have a pretty clear answer to what it is.

The main motion passed on a vote of 25 for, 20 against. Resolution KC-1416-002 was adopted as written. It is to be sent to Representative Raul Labrador.

F. Resolution KC-1416-003: DHS Review

Bjorn Handeen moved the Resolution which states:

Resolved, That the Kootenai County Republican Central Committee supports the assertion made by our Senators Jim Risch and Mike Crapo when they signed the April 24, 2014 letter to the Obama administration that called this plan an "astonishing disregard for the Constitution, the rule of law, and the rights of American citizens."

The motion passed. Resolution KC-1416-003 was adopted as written. It is to be sent to the President of the United States, Senators Crapo and Risch, the Coeur d'Alene Press, and the Spokesman Review.

G. Resolution KC-1416-004: Call for Rules Clarity Resolution

Bjorn Handeen moved the Resolution which states:

Resolved, That the Kootenai County Republican Central Committee (KCRCC) requests that the Idaho State Republican Executive Committee appoint a special rules subcommittee to address these shortcomings in the State Party Rules; and,

Resolved, That the KCRCC Secretary shall forward this Resolution to the Chairman of the Idaho Republican Party and the Chairman of the Idaho Republican Party Standing Rules Committee.

The motion failed. Resolution KC-1416-004 was not adopted.

Adjourn: 8:18 PM

Minutes prepared by Sheila Waller, Secretary

KCRCC Secretary