**Franklin County Republican Party**

**Executive Committee Meeting**

**May 11, 2023**

Chairman Ed Strickland called the meeting to order. There were 32 members in attendance. A light meal of hotdogs, chips, cookies, cream puffs and soft drinks was provided by members of the party.

Secretary Opie Pearce gave the invocation and Harry Barrick lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary, Opie Pearce read the highlights of the minutes from the April 13th Executive Meeting. Pierre Giani motioned to accept the minutes as read, motion was 2nd and carried.

Treasurer Sidney Reynolds gave the Secretary’s report. We have a balance of $1,576.48 in our operations account and $66.93 in our Petty Cash account. Secretary Pearce motioned to accept the secretary’s report as read, motion was 2nd and carried.

Web Master, John Edwards reported that as of April 13th 201,765 visits to our website with 780 page visits. This month we had 202,035 website visits with 270 page visits. This was an increase of 270 visits to our website.

**Elected Candidates:**

County Commissioner Roxanne Bragg was at the meeting. She reported the big thing is Budget at this time. Commissioner Bragg reported there is lots going on with the Board of Education and it needs more Republican influence. She reported there is lots going on in the county in general. Commissioner Bragg said she is really enjoying being a County Commissioner.

**Candidates:**

Chairman Strickland announced it is time to be thinking of potential candidates for Register of Deeds, Commissioner at Large to replace Danny Pearce if he decides not to seek re-election, Board of Education and some District Judges.

**General Business:**

Rose Holmes reported on the Franklin County Republican Ladies Club. Rose reported they have been very busy. She reported they have 207 members on their Face Book page. Rose said they have been working with Incite. She reported they have grown to two meetings a month. They are doing “Legislative Action” the last Thursday of every month where they go downtown in Raleigh to the Legislative Building to view their work and have lunch at the cafeteria. Rose also reported they are selling tote bags and donating a percentage of the sales. Their next meeting will be May 23rd at the Hudson Manor for Precinct Organization. A June 27th meeting is also planned with Janet Peterson. July 21st they will train at Anchor Baptist Church at 10:00 am.

Treasurer, Sidney Reynolds did not report our Franklin County Republican Face Book. They are trying to do quarterly reports for this.

Harry Barrick, Board of Elections Representative reported the BOE needs to use the MAT Team. Our Board of Representatives have applied and waiting for the Board to appoint them. Harry said it is a quiet time of the year.

Chairman Strickland announced Granville County is working on new amendmenst to the State Plan of Organization. He has a copy of their changes and will be looking over it.

Chairman Strickland announced there will be a Chairman’s Boot Camp coming up Friday and Saturday, Mar 19th and 20th. Ed invited 1st Vice Chairman Howard Lasher to attend. He confirmed he will go.

Chairman Strickland reminded everyone of the upcoming State Convention slated for June 8-11 at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro.

Being there was no further business, Secretary Opie Pearce motioned to adjourn the meeting. AnneMarie Dellamorte seconded the motion, all agreed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Opie Pearce, Secretary