NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting 7 PM March 13, 2024

Northumberland Women's Club Lottsburg, Virginia

The Chairman, Marion Cockrell, called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. Membership forms were requested by the Chairman and provided by those present. Linda Herring led the Invocation; Austin Schmidt led the Pledge of Allegiance and Jim Michel read the Republican Creed. There was a motion to accept and vote for the applications for membership 2024-2026 with one exception: Ed Buchanan requested a non-voting membership because of his travel schedule. The motion was approved. The agenda was approved with no changes. The Minutes were approved with two exceptions.

The Treasurer's Report was read by the Chairman.

Operating Account \$21,400.60

Federal Account \$ 9,540.24

Scholarship Fund \$ 2,565.50

Total \$35,506.35

The entire Treasurer's Report was accepted and is included herein.

The Chairman made a statement regarding the cancelation of the Mass Meeting due to a lack aspiring "Chairmen."

Helen Sharp spoke and answered questions on behalf of Rob Wittman. Questions were raised on what we can do to get out the vote.

- 1. Get younger People to go door to door.
- 2. Register voters
- 3. Vote early
- 4. June 18th voting...banners are needed
- 5. Get more volunteers to work the polls.
- 6. Bob Heller can produce lists of volunteers

The Chairman noted the election of officers in April: The Office of the Secretary needs to be filled; the office of the Treasurer needs an assistant to cover the winter months until Cindy returns from Florida: and, lastly, someone is needed to deal with the quarterly reports to the Feds.

The convention is on May 4th. Six people signed up to go vote.

The Vice Chairman urged everyone to "beat the bushes" to get people out to vote.

The State Convention is May 31-June 1t.

Karen Pica gave an update on her searching the vast unknown of the School Board's budget...possibly in excess of \$3 million. Lynn Stuart advised us to be informed of School Board expenditures, in particular "Non-Instructional" expenses. \$10.5 million came into our county: how much of it is supposed to be returned? And then there is the "Accrued sick leave..."

Bob Heller encouraged our contribution to the web site News & Notices page. Check it out.

Jim Michel made the motion to adjourn the meeting. It was accepted.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Guy Haynie, Secretary