

YORK COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 4, 2025

<u>Call to Order</u>: Kitty Staskelunas at 7:01 PM

<u>Invocation</u>: Paula Krewinghaus <u>Pledge</u>: Venner Milewski III

<u>Creed</u>: Jeff Smith

Roll Call: Quorum confirmed, 39; 0 proxies

Welcome and Introduction of Distinguished Elected Officers & Guests:

- -Danny Diggs, State Senator
- -Delegate AC Cordoza
- -Stephen Roane, Board of Supervisors, District 4
- -Zoran Pajevic, School Board Member, District 2
- -James Richardson, Vice Chair, School Board Member, District 4
- -Krystyn Reid, Commonwealth Attorney
- -Sarah Webb, Commissioner of Revenue
- -Candice Kelley, Treasurer

Review of August 7 Meeting Minutes:

Approval of the August Meeting Minutes:

-Motion to accept minutes for August 7, 2025.

- -1st Greg Woznick
- -2nd Jeff Smith
- -All in favor/no opposed

Treasurer's Report:

On behalf of Buck, Kitty reported the committee account has a beginning balance of \$2,636.05; outstanding checks of \$1,000 for John Reid and Jason Miyares and \$27.08 due for insurance; ending balance of \$1,608.97.

Unfinished Business

Subcommittee Updates:



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Awards- Candice Kelley No updates. Will draw at end of meeting for gift cards using white tickets.

Election Integrity- Terri Fowler

Terri advised everyone should have received an email to provide links for Virginia Fair Elections and training as well. There is training on weeknights and the training is for more than just poll watching. There are many parts of the election that you can participate in. She also included links for ELECT that can help campaigns. The "Do's and Dont's" went from four pages to nine pages. There are sign up sheets to become involved in the election work. It is extremely important to be involved. She needs help from everyone. On September 10 in DC, the only citizens vote by the Tea Party Patriots, has a bus tour and there will be a conference and a petition delivery. The petition can be signed online and is in the links sent out by email. Terri can also get the link to anyone who needs it. Trump is also issuing an Executive Order for requiring a photo ID to vote. The SAVE Act is supposed to close loopholes in voter registration. There are a lot of fake IDs coming in. There are also definitions on each table of each position where help is needed- Election Officials, Poll Watchers, Poll Workers, and Preceint Captains. We need 13 Preceint Captains. The captains establish a direct link between the political party and the local election district.

Connie Jones, from the Electoral Board, advised that you must fill out the form online to be an Election Official. You go to the York County website and under "Voting" and request to be an official. The Electoral Board authorized everyone who sent in a form. The new system is called Election Worker and the board sent to all people who said they wanted to work an election a request to see if they wanted to work in the upcoming November election. The workers were placed into precincts and the board tries to assign people to the precincts they prefer. The board has assigned everyone needed for the upcoming election in November. Connie advised you can still request to work as sometimes people drop out who originally advised they could work. There is a sub list you can be added to. There are a number of training classes from October 7 to 23. All workers have to come to training. There are 10 people working at each precinct with 4 chiefs and there are 13 precincts. Connie advised that they work very hard to spilt by Democrats and Republicans equally. The issue is some locations do not have enough of both parties to spilt equally. Discussion ensued about the process to determine how party assignments are designated. Connie tries to start with the people who sign up first. They have to make calls to try and get people to respond. When people fill out the form, they fill in if they are Republican, Democrat, or Independent. The Electoral Board has to take people at their word. Each party chair provides names to the Electoral Board yearly to provide a list of Republicans and Democrats. The committee members need to give their names to the party chair to provide to the Electoral Board yearly. This year, only two Republicans were on the list. Connie is going to provide the code section that speaks to party designation. Sandy Molineaux advised the party designation is decided by the full Electoral Board.



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Bylaws- Tom Jett for Gary Kirsteatter

The committee had a meeting last week and they decided on some changes, which will be sent out shortly to be voted on soon.

Motion to accept adding the wording "and organization" to Article 5, Membership, section C.

1st- Robin Milewski 2nd- George Clark

Discussion about adding the word ensued. Noel West asked to clarify what kind of organization. Kitty advised that it will be for an associate member that is not an individual. The associate members do not have attendance requirements and cannot vote.

38 Yeas, 1 Nay. Motion passed.

Visitors:

Lara Smith from Americans for Prosperity. She lives in Virginia Beach and she works closely with Senator Danny Diggs. Americans for Prosperity has endorsed Amanda Batten and they are working locally to help with campaigns and holding events.

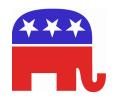
Venner Milewski III from Texas is visiting. He used to live in Virginia and came to the meeting with his mother Robin.

Beshay Betros has filled out an application and was attending with his wife Marina Antonious who also applied. They are originally from Egypt and lived in Virginia Beach for a few years and have been in York since 2020. Beshay works as a pharmacist and is going to Regent University for a PHD in law and public policy. Marina has also attended Regent University.

Gregg Horne is the new Hampton GOP chair. He is a retired Marine and is a Hampton native. His first meeting is in two weeks and he wanted to see how to set up a meeting. His meetings will still be at Annas in Hampton. His girlfriend also came, Penny Adams. Penny grew up in Hampton and taught school in York County for 30 years.

Vote on New Member & Reinstatements:

New Member- Anna Glider, All in favor



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Reinstatement- Robin Milewski, All in favor Reinstatement- Connie Jones, All in favor

Kitty reminded everyone to sign up for the poll watcher spots. You do need a letter of authorization. Cynthia Webb encouraged everyone to sign up. Cindy advised poll watching is a good experience and is not difficult- it is rewarding.

YCRC Fundraiser:

The September fundraiser is cancelled. There will be an event in October for outreach similar to Trumptober-fest. It will be the last weekend in October on the 25th. There is a clipboard for volunteers. The event will be called "Stars, Stripes, and Steins".

There is also a clipboard for Poquoson Seafood Fest volunteers. The Poquoson committee advised they only need help on Saturday in two-hour increments.

Previously, up to \$500 had been approved for palm cards. RPV has printed palm cards and RPV will be giving the committee 5,000 palm cards. RPV is only giving cards to units that will use the cards and they felt the York County unit is active and are giving the cards to us.

The sandwich boards need to be updated for all precincts. Only one side needs to be done to add the top three plus the delegate for that precinct. The stickers are \$18 each and we need 13. John Henry Printing does apply the stickers.

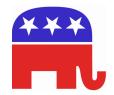
Motion for up to \$300 for John Henry to print the sandwich board stickers. 1st- Robin Milewski

2nd- Dave Staskelunas

Discussion ensued. Dave S. said he would buy four. Dave challenged everyone to buy the stickers. Fowler Bellflower offered to have Jim Bellflower cover four. Anna Glider offered to buy one. The Woodwards offered to buy one. The Krewinghaus' offered to buy three.

Robin Milewski made a motion to rescind the motion. Dave Stakelunas seconded. All in favor.

Kitty advised John Reid is having issues with funding. Wanted to see if the committee would help purchase signs. We can purchase 4x4 signs and/or yard signs. The 4x4 signs are \$25 and yard signs are \$6.75 for 100. The committee only got 8 signs from the campaign. Delois thinks the yard signs are less expensive from the campaign.



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Delois offered to buy four of the 4x4 signs for a total of \$100. Zoran offered to buy four of the 4x4 signs and Anna Glider offered to buy two signs. This will give ten 4x4 signs to put up. Delois has two more larger Reid signs, and she will give those to the committee as well.

Motion to authorize up to \$500 to purchase John Reid yard signs.

1st- Dave Staskelunas 2nd- Delois Stallman All in favor

The yard signs may be \$4.50 thru the John Reid campaign. Will see if they can be ordered that way.

Announcements:

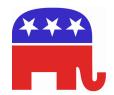
Elected Officials:

Danny Diggs advised he is very encouraged by the recent momentum. The numbers are moving in the right direction. Recent events are starting to impact the races. Danny said we must turn people out to vote. Ask your list if they have gone and voted. Ask everyone, did you vote? Danny advised this is going to be a very close election. He was at an event with John today and he thanked everyone for helping John's campaign. Danny is going to as many events as he can.

Stephen Roane advised Primrose Academy is opening soon. It will help with daycare needs and is being opened by a local owner. An HVAC company is building across from the Yorktown Library. Q Daddy's BBQ and the brewery are moving along. Not sure which will open first. The recent citizen survey went well and will help guide the board with decisions. The citizen survey will be posted online soon. There is an ongoing Park and Rec survey to provide feedback. A question was asked about the new electronic billboard that has appeared on Route 17 Southbound. Are we going to have a lot of them? Stephen is not aware of anything. Is the billboard taxed? Stephen thinks the real estate would be taxed. Mike Petersen advised it is not aesthetic to have these billboards and some areas are prohibiting the electronic billboards. A Publix is supposed to be coming near the Ft. Eustis Blvd. Food Lion. Chic-fil-a has submitted site plans and has chosen an operator.

Delois advised the Reid campaign confirmed the yard signs are \$3.75 plus tax.

Zoran Pajevic announced that Vic is leaving and they will start the process to find a new superintendent. SOL scores came back number one in the region. Still waiting on the survey results for the Magruder renaming. Should hear more at the next meeting.



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Matt Corum from the Winsome campaign advised they are looking for door knockers and people to help with the campaign.

Paula Krewinghouse advised the Republican Women's next meeting is Monday Sept. 8 at Shorty's. They need us there by 11:30 so all orders can be placed at once. The meeting will start at noon. Lynda Fairman will be speaking.

Upcoming events:

South East Comm Day Parade Sat., Sept. 6. Show up at 9:30.
Parade starts at 10. Winsome's husband, Terry will appear.
Cindy Scaturico's Chili Cook-off Sat., Sept. 6 4:00 pm-7:00 pm
Early Voting Rally Fri., Sept.19 Toscana Restaurant 10-11 (Grafton)
Fri., Sept 19 Taqueria Maria Bonita Restaurant 2-3 (Williamsburg)
Chad Green Campaign Kickoff Sat., Sept. 20 11:00 am- 2:00 pm
Door knocking from 10-12 before Kickoff
Women for Green Fundraiser Wed., Sept. 24 5:30 pm -7:00 pm
Hornsby House hosted by Ashley Green
RPV Advance Dec 5-7 at Kingsmill Resort

School Board meeting Monday, Sept. 8 at York Hall 6:00 pm work Sept. 22 at York Hall 7:00 pm general

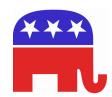
Board of Supervisor meetings Tuesday, Sept. 16 at York Hall 6:00 pm

Next YCRC General Meeting Thursday, October 2

Danny Diggs asked if we need to discuss sample ballots. Kitty advised she did send out sample ballots. Discussion ensued as to if we need to pass them out. Everyone wanted to offer sample ballots. Ballots make it easier to engage in discussion with voters. Delois suggested adding the photos to the ballot, bold the names, and add a check mark to the ballot. Mike Petersen advised due to timing of the next meeting, we need to decide sooner. Delois and Sarah will work to design the ballots and then Kitty will email everyone the samples. Kitty advised there will be a deadline for everyone to reply. Noel West suggested removing the "D" from the ballot.

Drawing held- winners Gala Damato and Ann Grigorian- \$25 cards to Kroger

Terri advised Sept. 15-20 is National Citizen's Only Voting Week. Focus on citizen only voting. Speak to neighbors and educate about Virginia IDs.



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Some of the IDs in Virginia look very similar. Connie advised they train everyone working how to distinguish the differences. Also, the machine checks for the ID and rejects non-citizen IDs.

Adjournment:

-Motion to Adjourn:

- -1st Stephen Roane
- -2nd Robin Milewski
- -All in favor/no opposed

Meeting Adjourned @ 8:23 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Candice Kelley YCRC Secretary