

McLENNAN COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

MCRWC 2007 OFFICERS

PRESIDENT - Charissa Sloan
VICE-PRESIDENT - Robin Howard
SECRETARY - Nancy Bradley
CLUB & PAC TREASURER - Nancy Swor

LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Happy 2007!

I am so privileged to have this honor of serving the McLennan County Republican Women's Club this year. As we look to 2007, we have so much to celebrate and for which we are thankful.

First, I want to congratulate our candidates who worked so hard in 2006. We are proud of each of you and look forward to working with you and supporting you again in the future!

We also want to thank the Executive Officers and Executive Board for 2005-2006, along with our many volunteers, for their hard work and dedication to this club. Your hard work and dedication helped pave the way to success for our candidates.

Last, but undoubtedly not the least of these, is our debt of gratitude that we offer to our President and to our service men and women overseas. We are so thankful to you for your loyalty and for your service to our country. We remember you, honor you, and support you this year.

As we begin this year, I would like to personally invite you to visit and join us as we begin this new year. Our dynamic and hard-working group of ladies will welcome you and will look forward to getting to know you. Please come (and bring a friend!) so that you can help us make a difference in our community. I look forward to seeing you soon!

Warmly,

Charissa Sloan, President

2007 DUES

Officers & Committee Chairmen **MUST** pay their dues prior to be installed. All members dues, not already paid, can be paid at the luncheon, on the 23rd.

NO CORPORATE CHECKS CAN BE RECEIVED!

MCRWC 2007 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

BY-LAWS - Linda Hatchel
CAMPAIGN ACTIVITIES - Tammy Hector
HISTORIAN - Carolyn Payne Lomax
HOSPITALITY (Lunch Reservations) - ANITA ALLEN
MEMBERSHIP - Rachel Woods
NEWSLETTER - Carolyn Payne Lomax
PROGRAM - Bobbie Bills
RESEARCH & LEGISLATION - Peggy Mallick
IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT -
Barbara Kasmiroski

LUNCH RESERVATIONS

Our next meeting will be a luncheon on TUESDAY, 23 JANUARY 2007 @ 11:30 A.M. @ RIDGEWOOD COUNTRY CLUB.

RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE NO LATER THAN NOON, FRIDAY, 19 JANUARY 2007.

Anita Allen is our Hospitality Chair and all reservations will be made thru her. Anita prefers the reservations via e-mail to anitagallen@aol.com.

Should you not have a computer, please call 722-8763, before Friday morning.

After January 2007, NO phone calls, will be made TO YOU, for your reservations.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING CHANGE

The Executive Board had a motion placed before them to change the meeting day of this board.

The motion passed to change the day to the 2nd Monday of each month @ 11:30 a.m.

The Board will continue to meet at Uncle Dan's BBQ on Lake Air Drive.

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The meeting is to be gaveled to order at 11:45 a.m.

D) Attending: The President & 9 Board members in attendance:

IMPORTANT DATES

18 JANUARY 2007 - RESERVATIONS FOR MCRWC LUNCHEON ARE TO BE MADE w/ANITA ALLEN

19 JANUARY - CONFEDERATE HEROES DAY

23 JANUARY 2007 - MCRWC LUNCHEON @ RIDGEWOOD COUNTRY CLUB - 11:30 am

25 JANUARY 1839 - LONE STAR FLAG ADOPTED

IMPORTANT DATES cont..

8 FEBRUARY 1836 DAVY CROCKETT AND THE TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS ARRIVED @ THE ALAMO

12 FEBRUARY - MCRWC EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING @ UNCLE DAN'S BBQ - 11:30 A.M.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY

14 FEBRUARY - VALENTINE'S DAY

15 FEBRUARY - RESERVATIONS FOR LUNCHEON ARE TO BE MADE w/ANITA ALLEN SUSAN B. ANTHONY DAY

1876 - PRESENT STATE CONSTITUTION ADOPTED

27 FEBRUARY 2007 - MCRWC MONTHLY LUNCHEON @ RIDGEWOOD

MINUTES FROM BOARD MEETING

A) Republican Women Board Meeting:

Thursday, January 11, 2007

B) Location & Time: Uncle Dan's BBQ

C) Meeting began at 11:30 a.m. and adjourned at 1: p.m.

President (and Chair) - Charissa Sloan

Vice-President - Robyn Howard

Secretary - Nancy Bradley

Treasurer & PAC Treasurer - Nancy Swor

Bylaws - Linda Hatchel

Campaign Activities - Tammy Hector

Membership - Rachel Woods

Newsletter - Carolyn Lomax

Programs - Bobbie Bills

Research & Legislation - Peggy Mallick

Immediate Past President/Advisor -

Barbara Kasmiroski

E) Agenda

1) January 23, 2007 program was presented by Bobbie Bills

2) Board Meeting Schedule: The Chair, Charissa Sloan brought before the board a

recommendation to discuss changing the board meeting day. A motion was brought before the board to move the board meetings from the 2nd Thursday of each month to the 2nd Monday of each month. Nancy Bradley made the motion; second by Carolyn Lomax. MOTION CARRIED

3) Executive Board Retreat planning/meeting: Under discussion

*4) Other JOB DESCRIPTIONS due to

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Charissa Sloan no later than January 22, 2007. A recommendation was brought to the board to get binders made for each board member to maintain job description and monthly notes for future board members. Charissa Sloan made the motion; second by Robin Howard. MOTION CARRIED

5) Treasurer's Report presented to Nancy Swor. The laptop is no longer working. Carolyn Lomax moved that a 4gb Flash Drive be purchased for \$90.00; an amendment was recommended by Linda Hatchel, to allow \$100.00 cost allowance for the flash drive; second by Charissa Sloan. MOTION CARRIED.

6) Bylaws were presented by Linda Hatchel. Changes were discussed for Section V and Section VIII. Written changes will be sent to each member. Motion was brought by Linda Hatchel; second by Carolyn Lomax. MOTION CARRIED.

7) Carolyn Lomax recommended that the newsletter be sent via e-mail to all members, except to those members who didn't have e-mail. Those members will receive their newsletters by mail. Carolyn Lomax made the motion; second by Nancy Bradley. MOTION CARRIED

8) Final announcements and comments were made by the Chair and the meeting was adjourned.

* Unfinished duties with a due date.

Respectfully submitted

Nancy Bradley, Secretary

PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES

JANUARY 2007

The Board has proposed the following By-Laws changes. Changes are underlined. Rationale follows each proposed change. In order for the By-Laws to be changed, all members must receive the proposed changes in writing at least 30 days prior to the vote.

The vote on By-Laws changes, therefore, will take place at our February general meeting.

ARTICLE III POLICY

Section 1: Candidate Endorsement:

This organization, its President, and its Campaign Activities Chairman shall not endorse or work for any candidate for public office in contested Republican Primaries, Runoff Elections, and [delete 'and'] Special Elections [Add: and/or non-partisan elections when more than one Republican is in the race].

Rationale: The new wording and capitalization will conform to the TFRW By-Laws.

ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Eligibility

Any woman or man believing in the philosophy of the Republican Party and in the objectives of this organization shall be eligible for membership. [Add: She/He shall be a registered voter.]

Rationale: The new wording and capitalization will conform to the TFRW By-Laws.

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ARTICLE V OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE BOARD

the new officers will begin their duties. This proposed change would clear up that confusion.

Section 5. Term of Office:

The term of office for officers and chairmen shall be for two years beginning January 1 of the year in which they are elected or appointed and ending December 31 of the following year. [Delete the following: two years beginning January 1 of the year in which they are elected or appointed and ending December 31 of the following year]. [Add: one year.] No officer or chairman may serve in the same position for more than two consecutive terms with the exception of the PAC Treasurer.

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Rationale: This change would move terms for officers and chairmen from the current two years to one year. The current two year commitment is a burden on some who would be more able to serve for one year. Thus, the pool of officer candidates would be enlarged.

ARTICLE VIII NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Section 3. Installation:

Officers shall be installed at the January meeting [Delete January meeting. Add: last meeting of the calendar year].

Rationale: Article V, Section 5 and Article VIII, Section 3 states that terms of office will begin "January 1 of the year in which they are elected or appointed and ending December 31 of the following year." Article VIII, Section 3, however states the "Officers shall be installed at the January meeting." Confusion has occurred as to when, exactly,