**LAKE HIGHLANDS/WHITE ROCK DEMOCRATS**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**OCTOBER 25, 2021**

PRESENT: Brian Hasenbauer, President; Kendall Scudder, Vice-President; Tim Sexton, Treasurer; Dale McEowen, PAC Treasurer; Judy Garrett, Membership Secretary; Rhonda Green, Secretary; and Joan Covici, Sunshine Committee Chair.

Meeting convened at 5:34 p.m.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT (Brian Hasenbauer):

Brian reported on the progress of the Nominating Committee for 2022 officers. Tim has agreed to continue as Treasurer; Dale has agreed to continue as PAC Treasurer; and Judy has agreed to continue as Membership Secretary. To date no member has agreed to be nominated to serve as President, Vice-president, or Secretary. Rhonda will continue as Secretary if the position remains open. The report of the Nominating Committee is due at the November general meeting with officer election held at the December general meeting. 2022 officers will be sworn in at the January general meeting.

VICE-PRESIDENT’S REPORT (Kendall Scudder):

The tentative speaker for the November meeting is Crystal Mason.

The December meeting will be a Holiday Candidate Meet and Greet. Snacks will be served.

The January meeting will be a candidate forum for contested primary races including county-wide offices, state house districts 114 and 108, and county commissioners. The February meeting program topic will be abortion rights and will be presented by either the Texas Equal Access Fund or Planned Parenthood.

TREASURER’S REPORT (Tim Sexton):

The club’s current bank balance is $11,820.97. The net profit of the Chili Supper is approximately $7750.00 after expenses of $2505.14. Bar tips totaled $178.00. The silent auction made $985.00 in sales. Sponsorships, ticket sales, and donations brought in $10,077.00. The amount the club will donate to DCDP will be decided at the November Executive Committee meeting.

PAC TREASURER’S REPORT (Dale McEowen):

The report will be timely filed.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY (Judy Garrett):

There are currently 205 club members. An updated membership list was emailed to the committee this afternoon. The club’s monthly happy hour is scheduled for Tuesday, November 16 at the patio at Olivella’s. November meeting attendees will be invited for after meeting coffee and snacks at Well Grounded Coffee.

SECRETARY’S REPORT (Rhonda Green):

Upon motion made by Tim and seconded by Dale the minutes of the September Executive meeting were approved as corrected.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE REPORT (Joan Covici):

Cards are sent as Joan is notified of illnesses, etc.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tim will reserve Winfrey Point for Sunday, 10/16/22 for the 2022 Chili Supper.

OLD BUSINESS:

Flag Pole Hill is reserved for Saturday, 05/21/22 for the Club Picnic.

CHILI SUPPER:

Brian was commended for his ability to publicize and organize the event, resulting in one of the largest (if not the largest) receipt of donations ever.

The Committee discussed the successful execution of the event and made recommendations for the 2022 Chili Supper:

Schedule a planning meeting approximately one week prior to the event.

Separate “Will Call” check-in for paid tickets.

More substantial side dishes. Corn bread and rice were suggested.

Sugar-free drinks at the bar.

Establish and announce a cut-off time for auction bidding.

Silent auction bid sheets should include a column indicating donors’ instructions for unsold items.

Request gift card donations from the club’s Happy Hour venues for the silent auction.

A volunteer to supervise the planning, set-up, and execution of the silent auction.

Firmer time limit for speeches by elected officials and candidates.

Dale announced that Ben King is confirmed as entertainment for the 2022 Chili Supper.

ADJOURNMENT: Upon motion made by Kendall and seconded by Tim, the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Green, Secretary