

Minutes of the Jefferson Pachyderm Club November 13, 2013 Madabella's Restaurant

There was no meeting of the executive board this month. There are no minutes. President Van de Riet has scheduled a executive meeting for December 6, 2013, 6:00PM at Madabella's.

The meeting was called to order by President Linda Van De Riet at 7:05PM. Vice President Don Bickowski gave the invocation, the Pachyderm Prayer. The pledge of allegiance was said. All officers were present. There were 16 members present and 9 guests present.

President Van De Riet asked Committee member Jim Terry to read the report of the 2013 Nominating Committee. Mr. Terry read the report. The motion was made and seconded to accept the report as submitted. President Van De Riet cast the unanimous white ballot for Don Bickowski First Vice President and Ellen Haynes Secretary.

Introduction of Board Members:

President Van De Riet introduced the members of the board.

### Report of the Board Members:

First Vice President Bickowski spoke about future speakers for our meetings, and the influence that the new club is having in political circles. Treasurer Bob Frank reported that the club checking account has \$545.25. There have been 14 membership renewals for 2014 so far. Club T shirts are still available. Charles Groeteke thanked the membership for their support during his term as club secretary and ensured the members a smooth transition to the new club secretary. He also urged the members to contact their representatives about the current healthcare issues. Linda Schroeder reported about Senate Bill #9 that was recently passed in Missouri. The motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the reports of the board members.

### Committee Reports:

The Planning Committee report was previously given by Vice President Bickowski. Political Education Chairwoman Renee Reuter spoke about the upcoming elections and elected offices that are open, filing dates and the importance of running for these offices. She is working on a list and they will be posted on the club web site. She also spoke of the importance of supporting your candidates. Events Committee Chairwoman Ellen Haynes reported on club attendance at the Kimmswick Apple Butter Festival and the up coming Christmas parades that the club will be taking part in. Volunteers are needed for the Festus Christmas Parade on December 2nd and the House Springs Parade on December 14<sup>th</sup>. December 13<sup>th</sup> is the Schroeder Christmas Party and Fireworks display to benefit the Cedar Hill Food Pantry.

# Welcome Of Guests:

Christine Robinson introduced herself.

# Candidates Running for Office Present:

Mrs. Debbie Dunnagan Waters, Recorder of Deeds, Mr. Avery Fortenbury Candidate for 112<sup>th</sup> District, Mr. Charles Groeteke Candidate for 112<sup>th</sup> District, Mr. Don Bickowski county Council District 1, Mr. Jim Terry 911 Board

# **Discussion Topics:**

President Van De Riet spoke about becoming a member of the club, future speakers for meetings and future events for members to attend. There was no input from the membership.

# Speaker for the Meeting:

Blog radio host Super Dave spoke about the issues within the conservative movement, and the need for young people to be involved in politics. While his views are somewhat controversial to some, his views and comments deserve consideration by our party and our movement.

# 50/50 Drawing:

There was \$48.00 collected and the winner is Linda Schroeder. Mrs. Schroeder donated the entire amount back to the club.

# Adjournment:

With no further business to attend to the meeting was adjourned at 9:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Charles Groeteke Secretary JCLP