

Republican Party of Sheboygan County
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
September 11, 2017

Chairman Dennis Gasper called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present were: Dennis Gasper, Darryl Carlson, Judy Gasper, Phil Parker, Carmen Dolson, Art DeJong, Paul Gruber, Senator Devin LeMahieu, Rep. Terry Katsma, Pat Schutt, Al Jante, and Kevin O'Brien.

Secretary Judy Gasper distributed copies of the August meeting minutes, which had also been emailed to Executive Committee members. There being no additions or corrections, Paul made a motion to accept the minutes as distributed, motion seconded by Carmen, motion carried.

Treasurer Phil Parker reported that we have a checking account balance of \$13,508.48; we have \$123.00 in our Paypal account, and someone still owes \$250.00 for the golf outing.

Chairman Gasper reported on the Sheboygan County Fair booth results. Trump supporters are still supportive of him, but not happy with Congressional Republicans. We sold out of "Trump 2020" caps; we also had bumper stickers and buttons for sale. The \$550.00 cost of the booth plus the cost of merchandise leaves us with a loss of somewhat over \$100. The point was made that we never make a profit on the fair, but the exposure is worth it.

Approximately \$3,000.00 was raised by the golf outing; more details will be available at our next meeting.

Al Jante made a presentation on a Wisconsin School Choice program to be held at our headquarters. The date was changed from September 28th to October 5th. The main presenter will be Terry Brown, Vice President of School Choice Wisconsin. Al hopes to get a high school and/or elementary principle to present the local angle on school choice. Local legislators are supportive, and will be invited to attend.

Our annual Sheboygan County Caucus was scheduled for Friday, January 26, 2018. It was agreed that Dennis Gasper, Art DeJong, and Doug Hamilton can begin to work on the caucus resolutions.

It was agreed that there will be no October Executive Committee meeting.

Rep. Katsma presented a legislative update. Some features of the state budget include relief for low-spending school districts, a tax on electric vehicles and more borrowing for transportation, partial repeal of the personal property tax, total repeal of the prevailing wage, repeal of the state alternative minimum tax, and repeal of the state forestry property tax. The Foxconn deal will be voted on by next week and is expected to pass.

Senator LeMahieu informed us that \$19 million has been set aside in the budget for highway 23; \$2 million for environmental studies and \$17 million for construction. Adoption policy improvements are also included in the budget.

There being no further business, Paul made a motion to adjourn, motion seconded by Carmen, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Gasper, Secretary