

**MCRC Maricopa County Mandatory Meeting
January 8, 2022**

- I. Call To Order at 9:02 am Mickie Niland (LD12) MCRC Chair
- II. Invocation: Paul Schubring
- III. Color Guard: Dobson AFJROTC Color Guard
- IV. Pledge: Jeff Lichter, (LD 12) Power Ranch PC Captain
- V. National Anthem: Lori Bango, (LD22) 2nd Vice-Chair
- VI. Welcome and Announcements: Mickie Niland recognized state and federal officials in attendance. Maricopa County Appointed 2,065 PCs this year, what an incredible effort. There are 748 precincts in Maricopa County; 147 Precincts 100% staffed and 369 are 50% staffed.
- VII. Preliminary Credentials Report: Cathy Schwanke (LD1) Chairwoman, Credentials Chair
 - a. Slight back-up in checking in so there was a 15-minute delay
 - b. 879 PCs present, 471 proxies. Total 1350, we have a quorum
- VIII. Rules Committee Report: Rich Rutkowski (LD23) Chairman Rules
 - a. Move to adopt Committee Rules: Solomon Cahul (LD15) Moved to adopt, all in favor, rules adopted.
- IX. Nominating Committee Report: Jared Taylor (LD12) Chairman
 - a. Thank you to Raymond Jones who assisted
 - b. Read names on the ballot for today. Announced Tony Silva (LD12) removed from ballot. Tony confirmed. Instructed voters to remove his name from Member-At-Large
 - c. Nominations from the floor:
 - i. Ballots marked Round 4 are actually Round 1, this is clarified and for the record.
 - ii. Steve Daniels (LD28) nominated from the floor for Member at Large
- X. MCRC Members at Large Candidate Speeches
 - d. Terry Babb (LD15)
 - e. Kevin Beamon (LD15)
 - f. Joanie Colson (LD20)
 - g. Brian Ference (LD15)
 - h. Shia Grooman (LD28)
 - i. Liz Harris (LD17)
 - j. Lawrence Hudson (LD18)
 - k. Tristan Manos (LD24)
 - l. Joe Neglia (LD26)
 - m. Patty Porter (LD18)
 - n. Charmaine Roth (LD23)
 - o. Janell Soyster Buchholdt (LD23)
 - p. Steve Daniels (LD28)
- XI. 1st Ballot: Diane Ortiz-Parsons (LD18), Tally Chair
 - q. Scanners and processors called to front. Explained this process takes time as these are paper ballots.
 - r. Advised Round 4 ballot is actually the first ballot.
 - s. Vote for 5 candidates, any more on the ballot will spoil the ballot

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XII. Final Credentials Report: Cathy Schwanke

District	In Person	Proxy	Total
1	82	49	131
4	13	8	21
12	138	99	237
13	27	28	55
15	85	17	102
16	61	22	83
17	84	37	121
18	126	72	198
19	7	7	14
20	84	9	93
21	48	22	70
22	87	46	133
23	210	155	365
24	53	11	64
25	77	48	125
26	29	6	35
27	37	14	51
28	90	76	166
29	7	0	7
30	34	27	61
Totals	1379	753	2132

Motion to approve credentials: Bruce Lindquist (LD27) made the motion Christina Accurso (LD12) seconded.

XIII. Debbie Lesko Remarks, U.S. Congress

XIV. David Schweikert Remarks, U.S. Congress

XV. Andy Biggs Remarks, U.S. Congress

XVI. 1st Ballot Results (Diane Ortiz-Parsons)

XVII. Bylaws Amendments: Joe Neglia (LD26), MCRC Member-at-Large, Bylaws Chair

- a. Bylaw 1 (One MCRC Officer per LD) Discussion
 - i. PCs voiced their positions for or against
- b. Bylaw 2 (Treasurer Training) Discussion
 - i. PCs voiced their positions for or against
- c. Bylaw 3 (New Position: Director of Voter Registration) Discussion
 - i. PCs voiced their positions for or against
- d. Bylaw 4 (Nominating Committee, Insufficient Candidates) Discussion
- e. Bylaw 5 (Nominating Committee, Petitions) Discussion
- f. Bylaw 6 (Elimination of Verbal Proxies) Discussion
 - i. PCs voiced their positions for or against
- g. Bylaw 7 (Limit Proxies) Discussion

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- i. PCs voiced their positions for or against
 - h. Bylaw 8 (Limit Guest Speeches) Discussion
 - i. No Pros or Cons
 - i. Bylaw 9 (Paper Ballots) Discussion
 - i. PCs voiced their positions for or against
 - j. Bylaw 10 (Technical Correction)
 - i. No Pros or Cons
 - k. Bylaw 11 (Support only the GOP)
 - i. No Pros or Cons
- XVIII. 1st Ballot Results: Diane Ortiz-Parsons (LD18)
 - a. 2016 ballots cast; 1009 majority needed
 - i. Liz Harris (1407)
 - ii. Kevin Beeman (1079)
 - b. Members-At-Large for 2nd Ballot
 - i. Brian Ference (LD15)
 - ii. Joanie Colson (LD20)
 - iii. Shia Grooman (LD28)
 - iv. Lawrence Hudson (LD18)
 - v. Joe Neglia (LD26)
 - vi. Patty Porter (LD18)
- XIX. Treasurers Report: David Ludwig (LD28), MCRC Treasurer
 - a. Current Balance: \$74,114.55
 - b. Large expenses: Constitution Day, Building Rental for Mandatory Meeting
- XX. PC Election Process Nancy Ordowski (LD23) 1st Vice Chair
 - a. All PCs must be re-elected every 2 years, August 2, 2022 election
 - b. PC Nomination Form
 - c. Petition Form and required information
 - d. Petitions may be turned into the County Recorder's Office between March 5 and April 4, 2022
 - e. Important Dates: August 2, 2022 is election and PC term begins October 1, 2022 for 2-year term.
- XXI. Redistricting Elections: Mickie Niland
 - a. Take place in February
 - b. Your existing LD Chair will send invite to election meeting
- XXII. Resolutions Committee Report: Michal Joyner (LD23), MCRC 2nd Vice-Chair, Resolutions Chair and Barry Wong, Resolution Co-Chair
 - a. Kathy Petsas (LD28) requested a recount to determine if a quorum. Ms. Niland declared the request out of order and asked for a sustaining vote to that decision. Ayes were the substantial majority with one Nay.
 - b. 10 Resolutions for Consideration; Debate/Discussion of pro or con.
 - i. Resolution Expressing Appreciation and Gratitude for the Arizona State Senate Audit of the 2020 Maricopa County Election for the Purpose of Upholding Election Integrity
 - 1. PCs voiced their positions for or against

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2. Request for Voice Vote by Dan Grimm, 2nd Tristan Manos
 - a. Dan Grim withdrew his motion and Tristan Manos removed his 2nd.
 - ii. Resolution reaffirming the GOPs Roots as the Party of all Americans
 1. PCs discussed pros and cons
 - iii. Resolution Thanking our GOP Congressional Delegation for Voting Against the Unconstitutional and Socialist “Build Back Worse” Plan
 1. PCs voiced positions for the resolution, none against
 - iv. Resolution Opposing Property Taxes for Those Over 65
 1. PCs voiced positions for and against the resolution
 - v. Resolution in Support of Parental Involvement and Choice in Education
 1. PCs voiced positions for and against the resolution
 - vi. Resolution in Support of a Strong Republican Form of Government
 1. No pros or cons
 - vii. Resolution Opposing Use of and Acceptance of Consular Cards
 1. PCs voiced positions for and against the resolution
 - viii. Resolution Holding Michelle Udall Responsible for her Record
 1. PCs voiced positions for and against the resolution
 - ix. Resolution Opposing Reparations for Law Breakers
 1. No pros or cons
 - x. Resolution for Maricopa County Precinct Committeemen to Unify and Proactively Work to Elect Republicans in 2022
 1. PCs voiced positions for and against the resolution
- XXIII. 2nd Ballot Results
 - a. MCRC Members-At-Large Vote Counts: Brian Ference (819); Joe Neglia (787); Joanie Colson (682); Lawrence Hudson (616); Shia Grooman (573); Patty Porter (461). No candidate received half the votes (960 votes) therefore another ballot to be cast.
 - b. Bylaws: Issue 9: Paper Ballots passed with 1,301 votes
- XXIV. 3d Ballot Cast Diane Ortiz-Parsons, Tally Chair
- XXV. Republican Party Update, Kelli Ward, AZGOP Chairwoman
- XXVI. Memorials Presentation: Sandra Dowling (LD13), Memorials Chair
 - a. Names of those we lost this year read with a memorial slide show.
- XXVII. MCRC Update: Mickie Niland, MCRC Chairwoman
 - a. Urged PCs to register for the RTS system
 - b. Become a poll worker or observer
 - c. Strong Precinct Captains
 - d. Engage to Win
 - e. Focus on the positive
 - f. General Election Focused
 - g. Pray
- XXVIII. MCRC Election Integrity Committee: Eric Morgan (LD22), Election Integrity Chair
 - a. Advocacy is key
 - i. How we speak the message is important. Use a balance of a strength or hammer approach and finesse.

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- b. Measurable results
 - c. Alignact.com
- XXIX. Public Education (2022 Cycle): Pam Kirby (LD28), AZGOP 1st Vice Chair
- a. Public Schools K-12
 - b. Fight back with fiscally responsible, conservative leaders elected to school boards.
- XXX. 3d Ballot Results
- a. Brian Ference elected (917 votes)
 - b. Motion made to suspend the rules and have an election by plurality instead of majority:
Made by Dan Farley; Seconded by Sandra Dowling
 - c. Motion to establish a quorum: Kathy Petsas which was seconded.
 - d. Call for a quorum count. Quorum Established with 1190 PCs and voice vote for rule suspension.
 - e. Candidates Elected: Brian Ference (917), Joe Neglia (774), Joanie Colson (741)
 - f. Resolutions: Res 1 pass (1108 votes); Res 2 pass (1171 votes); Res 3 Pass (1347 Votes); Res 4 Pass (865 votes); Res 5 pass (1357 votes); Res 6 pass (1367 votes); Res 7 (1331 votes); Res 8 (1293 votes); Res 9 (1342 votes); Res 10 (1333 votes)
- XXXI. Motion to adjourn: 1st Gene Knox; 2nd Trevor Cook
- Meeting Adjourn 5:53 pm

Michele Stephens
Acting Secretary
Maricopa County Republican Committee