

MINUTES OF LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 28, FEBRUARY 9, 2016

MARICOPA COUNTY, STATE OF ARIZONA

7:10 P.M. Call to Order, Chairman Tom Haney, Presiding

Pledge of Allegiance, Daran Wastchak, 1st Vice Chairman

Board Members:

Tom Haney, Chairman

Frank Rivera, Treasurer

Daran Wastchak, 1st Vice Chairman

Lynn Hopkins, Corresponding Secretary

Walter Dudley, 2d Vice Chairman

Lori Galvin, Recording Secretary

Business Reports: Chairman Haney provided a brief overview of the events at the County and State meetings in January. The District had 88 PC's attending the County meeting and 66 attending the State meeting, exclusive of proxies. Volunteers from our District who managed the meetings by checking in members and other duties, included Bob Bogart, Suzanne Cash, Walter Dudley, Lori Galvin, Elaine Gangluff, Lynn Hopkins, Kathy Petsas, James Piers, and Daran Wastchak.

Legislators: Our two elected legislators were given the floor:

Senator Driggs announced he will NOT run for reelection for a fourth term.

Kate McGee indicated she will withdraw here re-election bid for the House and seek the Senate seat Driggs is vacating. She distributed blank petition forms and requested the assistance of our PC's to collect the necessary signatures.

Questions were posited to our legislators regarding the National Popular Vote Act presently before the legislature, SB1218 and HB2456. Our members were adamantly opposed. The Act would place Arizona into a compact of states (mostly Democratic) and our vote would be added to the others so the majority vote getter is elected, ignoring the electoral vote practice. Rep. McGee opposed the bill in the House. Sen. Driggs was familiar with the details, but it had not been heard in the Senate.

Guest Speakers:

Jeff DeWit, Arizona State Treasurer.

The 33rd elected State Treasurer is responsible for managing the \$13 billion dollars of State assets. He is working on a new website that will allow the public access to view the debt, if any, on the State ledgers. He expressed opposition to Proposition 123 for school funding, increasing the withdraw from the trust fund from two percent to eight percent. He contends the trust could be bankrupt in a decade because of the increase.

Steve Watson, Candidate for Maricopa County School Superintendent.

Native Arizonan and a graduate of Thunderbird High School. Currently teaches in the Deer Valley Unified School District, with 14 years of classroom experience. He is a PC in LD 15. Nominating petitions were signed by those attending.

Dave Giles, Candidate for Congress in CD 9.

Stated his background is in international business as an economic and technology consultant, moving to Arizona in 2004. He will be invited to speak again as he would be our congressman and is running against Democratic incumbent Sinema.

Andrew Hettinger, Candidate for Justice of the Peace, Moon Valley Justice Court. Background as a prosecutor, a psychology degree, and a mediator.

Presidential Voting: At the sign-in for this meeting, PC's were provided a ballot to vote for their preferred presidential candidate. 58 PC's were in attendance, 45 ballots were received and voted as follows:

Rubio 13	Trump 5	Carson 1
Cruz 10	Bush 4	Christie 1
Kasich 7	Fiorina 3	blank ballot 1

Other Business: The District bank account as of January 31 is \$1205.
The minutes of the December 8 meeting were approved by voice vote.

8:40 P.M. Meeting Adjourned.